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SKILL LEVEL: Easy +

SIZE: One Size
Finished Circumference About 21 in. (53.5 cm)
Note: Hat will stretch to fit a range of sizes.

CORRECTIONS: None as of Oct 29, 2010. To check for later updates, click here.

MATERIALS
- 830-191 Lion Brand Cotton-Ease: Violet
    1 Ball
- Lion Brand Double-Pointed Needles - Size 8
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)

GAUGE:

17 sts = 4 in. (10 cm) in Stockinette st worked in the rnd (k every rnd). BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you less stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

STITCH EXPLANATION:

kfb (knit into front and then back)
An increase worked as follows:
1. Knit the next st through the front loop, but do not remove the st from your left hand needle.
2. Knit the same st once more, this time inserting your needle through the back loop of the st. You will have created 2 loops (sts) on your right hand needle. 3. Drop the st from your left hand needle - you have increased 1 st.

PATTERN STITCH
K2, p2 Rib (worked in rnds)
Rnd 1: *K2, p2; rep from * around.
Rnd 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.
Rep Rnd 2 for K2, p2 Rib.

NOTES:

1. Hat is worked in rnds from top of hat (crown) downwards.
2. Increases (kfb) are worked evenly spaced in every other rnd to shape Hat.

HAT
Beg at crown, cast on 6 sts onto 1 double pointed needle.
Row 1: *Kfb; rep from * to end of row - 12 sts at the end of this rnd. Divide sts onto 3 needles. Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle and being careful not to twist sts.
Rnd 1: Knit.
Rnd 2: *K1, kfb; rep from * to end of rnd - 18 sts at the end of this rnd.
Rnd 3: Knit.
Rnd 4: *K2, kfb; rep from * to end of rnd - 24 sts at the end of this rnd.
Rnd 5: Knit.
Rnd 6: *K3, kfb, place marker (pm); rep from * to end of rnd - 30 sts at the end of this rnd.
Note: Markers indicate where increases (kfb) will be worked.
In following rnds, slip markers as you come to them.
Use different colored markers for the beg of rnd and for increase locations.
Rnd 7: Knit.
Rnd 8: *K to 1 st before marker, kfb, slip marker (sm); rep from * around - 36 sts at the end of this rnd.
Rnds 9-26: Rep Rnds 7 and 8 nine times - 90 sts at the end of Rnd 26.
Note: Remove increase markers as next rnd is worked.
Rnd 27: (K43, k2tog) 2 times - 88 sts at the end of this rnd.
Next 16 Rnds: Knit.
Work in K2, p2 Rib for 6 rnds.
Bind off.

FINISHING
Weave in ends.