

Free Knitting Pattern LION BRAND® BASIC STITCH ANTI-PILLING™

AUDEN BALACLAVA

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SKILL LEVEL - INTERMEDIATE

SIZES

One size will fit most women and teens

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® BASIC STITCH ANTI-PILLING™ (Art. #202)
 #305 Atomic Pink 3 balls
- LION BRAND® stitch markers
- LION BRAND® stitch holders
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Circular knitting needle size 7 (4.5 mm), 16 in. [40 cm] long Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 16 in. [40 cm] long

GAUGE

21 sts + 20 rows/rnds = about 4 in. (10 cm) over K2, p2 Rib slightly stretched, using larger needles. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATION

ssk (slip, slip, knit) Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them tog - 1 st decreased.

PATTERN STITCHES

K2, p2 Rib worked in rows (worked over a multiple of 4 sts)

Row 1 (RS): Sl 1 (selvedge st), * k2, p2; rep from * to last 3 sts, k2, p1 (selvedge st).

Row 2: SI 1 (selvedge st), k the knit sts and p the purl sts to the last st, p1 (selvedge st).

Rep Row 2 for K2, p2 Rib worked in rows.

K2, p2 Rib worked in rnds (worked over a multiple of 4 sts)

Rnd 1 (RS): P1, * k2, p2; rep from * to last 3 sts, k2, p1.

Rnd 2: K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep Rnd 2 for K2, p2 Rib worked in rnds.

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NOTES

- 1. Balaclava is worked from the lower edge upwards in two sections: Neck and Hood.
- 2. Neck is made from two Panels that are worked separately back and forth in rows for about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm). They are then joined and worked in rnds to top of neck, leaving the lower 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) side edges open for side slits.
- 3. Sts are picked up along top edge of neck to begin the hood, leaving about 5 in. (12.5 cm) open for face opening.
- 4. Top of hood is shaped with short rows. Short rows are rows that are worked over a portion of the sts in a row, leaving the remaining sts unworked. To work short rows, the pattern instructions will tell you to 'turn' before you reach the end of the row. This gradually adds height to one section of the knitting, while the height of the other section does not change.

NECK

Panel (make 2)

With larger needle, cast on 56 sts.

Work back and forth in rows on circular needle as if working with straight needles.

Beg with a RS row, work in K2, p2 Rib worked in rows until piece measures about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) from beg, end with WS row as the last row you work.

Cut yarn and place sts on a holder.

Make a 2nd Panel but do not cut yarn, leave sts on needle.

Join Panels to Work in Rnds

Rnd 1 (RS): Working over sts of 2nd Panel still on needle, p1, * k2, p2; rep from * to last 3 sts, k2, p1; working over sts of first Panel on holder, p1, ** k2, p2; rep from ** to last 3 sts, k2, p1 – you will have 112 sts in this rnd.

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.

Work in K2, p2 Rib worked in rnds for 3 in. (7.5 cm).

Change to smaller needle.

Decrease Rnd: * K1, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1 – you will have 75 sts in this rnd.

Place a marker on purl side of 19th stitch of Decrease Rnd (do not place the marker on needle) for center front of Balaclava.

Knit 5 rnds.

Bind off as if to knit.

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HOOD

Roll last 6 rnds forward to reach purl side of marked Decrease Rnd. Keep last 6 rnds rolled forward.

Pick-Up Row (RS): From RS with larger needle, beg about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) following center marker, pick up and k84 sts evenly spaced along purl side of Decrease Rnd to about 2 1/2 in. (6.5 cm) before center marker.

Remove center marker.

The 5 in. (12.5 cm) left open at front is the face opening.

Beg with a WS row, work in K2, p2 Rib worked in rows until piece measures about 7 1/2 in. (19 cm) from Pick-Up Row, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Shape Top of Hood with Short Rows

Row 1 (RS): Continue in K2, p2 Rib over first 54 sts, place marker (pm), ssk, TURN.

Row 2: SI 1, slip marker (sm), continue in K2, p2 Rib over next 24 sts, place marker (pm), p2tog, TURN.

Row 3: SI 1, sm, continue in K2, p2 Rib to next marker, sm, ssk, TURN.

Row 4: SI 1, sm, continue in K2, p2 Rib to next marker, sm, p2tog, TURN.

Rep Rows 3 and 4 for 27 more times, until only 26 sts remain.

Place remaining 26 sts on a holder.

FINISHING

Edging

Row 1 (RS): From RS with smaller needle, pick up and k30 sts evenly spaced along right edge of face opening; working into sts on holder, k2tog, k22, ssk; pick up and k30 sts evenly spaced along left edge of face opening – 84 sts.

Row 2: Purl.

Work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 4 rows.

Bind off as if to knit.

Edging will roll naturally.

Sew rolled sides of edging to inside of neck.

Weave in ends.

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ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together

rep = repeat

rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

sl = slip

st(s) = stitch(es)

St st = Stockinette stitch

WS = wrong side

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