



Space Aliens Hide Hearts in Youth Fair Isle Hat

Skill Level

Advanced Beginner

Yarn

Black: Brown Sheep Co. Lamb's Pride Super Wash 100% Wool

Maroon: Cascade 220 Heathers #9489

Lavendar and Green: Debbie Bliss

Cashmerino Aran

Needles

16-inch US 7 / 4.5 mm circular needle

Set of US 7 / 4.5 mm double pointed needles or second size 7 circular needle for the small part at the top of the hat

Notions

9 Stitch Markers

Tapestry needle

Gauge

20 sts / 27 rows = 4 inches in stockinette stitch

Finished Size

Width: 10 1/4"

Height: 8" when flat, measured from top of hat to bottom of ribbing.



Got some spare worsted-ish weight yarn, hanging around, uncertain of what to do? Got a tween who may or may not want to wear a hat you knit, depending on how cool it is? This pattern is for you. It's a stash-busting stranded colorwork pattern in which hearts are disguised as space aliens. You'll know you made a hat of hearts to show you love your kid (well, most of the time.) Kid may think space aliens are kind of cool, and wear hat. Bonus: your stash is reduced. What could be better?

PATTERN

Cast on 100 stitches. Join to knit in the round.

Knit 7 rounds of K2P2 ribbing.

Knit colorwork pattern: 10-stitch repeat over 29 rows.

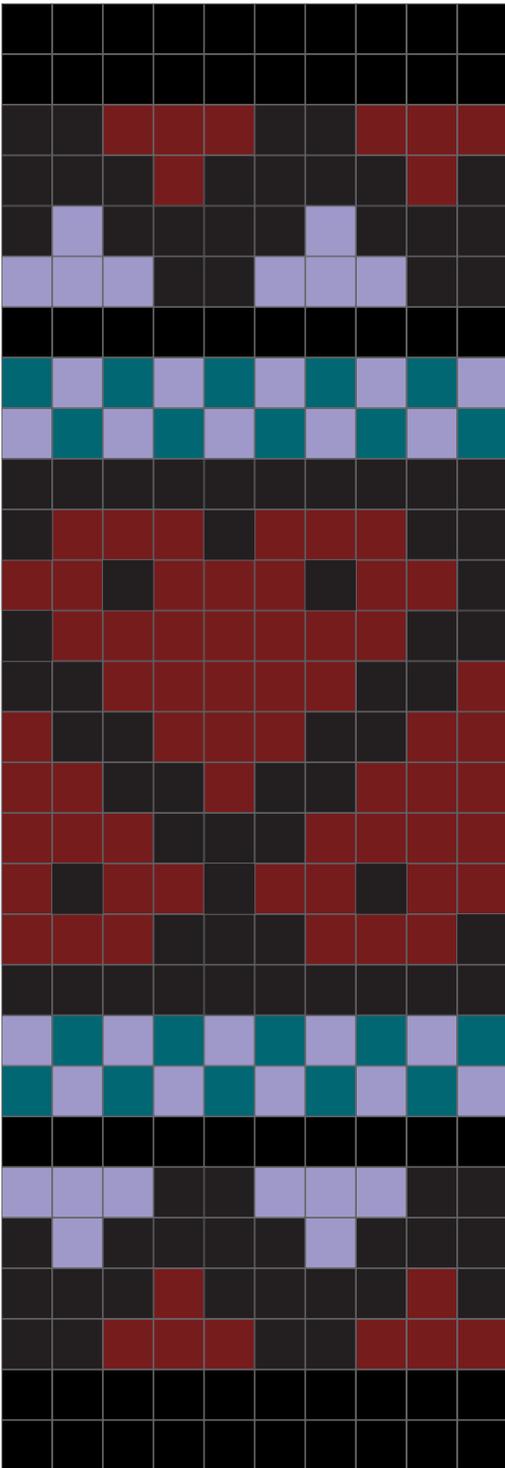
Next round, divide the 100 stitches into groups of 10 stitches using 9 stitch markers.

Round 1: *Knit to the marker, slip marker, K2tog*

Round 2: Knit all stitches

Repeat rounds 1 and 2, switching to double pointed needles, or adding a second circular needle when circumference is too small to fit on one needle. Remove markers when there are 2 stitches per interval.

K2tog, K1 to last 2 sts, K2tog



COLORWORK PATTERN

10 stitch repeat over 29 rows.

Next Round: Knit all sts

Next Round: *K2tog*, K1

Break yarn leaving 12 inches.

Thread through remaining sts and pull top closed.

Thread end to inside of hat.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. Block to measurements. Insert Kid head into hat.



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