



Smooches

A sweet hat marked with hugs and kisses, for a sweet newborn.

A great project for using up leftover sport weight yarn and for trying a few new techniques: provisional cast on, kitchener stitch, cables, and picking up stitches.

Size: Newborn, approx. 14" head circumference

Gauge: 7 st/in in stockinette

Supplies:

Yarn: ¼ skein Madelinetosh Tosh Sport in Tart, or approximately 80 yds of sport weight yarn

Needles: set of US sz 4 DPNs, or size needed to obtain gauge

Stitch markers
Stitch holder or scrap yarn
Yarn needle



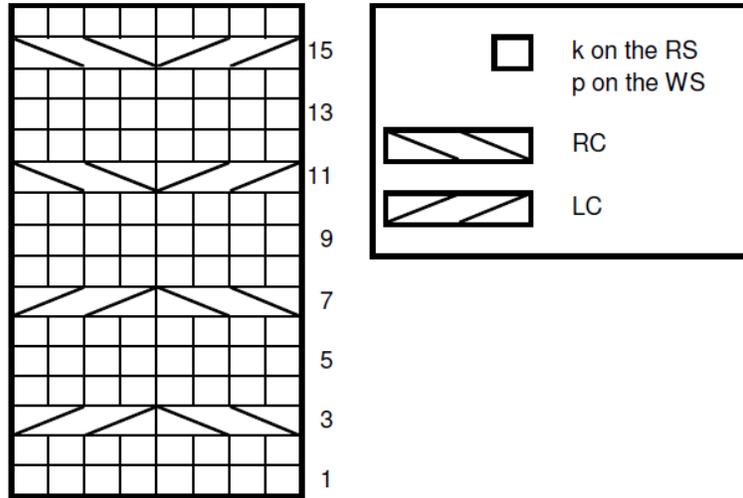
Abbreviations:

k: knit
k2tog: knit 2 together
p: purl
pm: place marker
RS: right side

ssk: slip slip knit
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side
LC: Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold to front, k2, k2 from cable needle
RC: Slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold to back, k2, k2 from cable needle

Hugs and Kisses Cable stitch pattern.

Row 1: knit.
Row 2 & all WS rows: purl.
Row 3: RC, LC.
Row 5: knit.
Row 7: RC, LC.
Row 9: knit.
Row 11: LC, RC.
Row 13: knit.
Row 15: LC, RC.
Row 16: rep row 2.
Rep rows 1–16 for pattern



Brim:

(knit lengthwise)

Provisionally cast on 14 sts, using your preferred method.

Row 1: k1, p1, pm, work Row 1 of Hugs and Kisses cable stitch pattern over 8 sts, pm, [p1, k1] twice.

Row 2: k1, p1, k2, work Row 2 of cable st pattern between markers, k1, p1.

Repeat these 2 rows, working each row of the cable st pattern, until brim reaches 13", or approximately 8 pattern repeats, ending row 1.

Do not bind off.

Place live sts on holder or scrap yarn, and block the brim to 14.”

Remove provisional cast on and place both sets of live sts on DPNs.

Graft the 2 sets of stitches together, using kitchener stitch, to form a circle.

Hat body:

With right side facing and wider seed stitch border at

the bottom, pick up 90 sts around the top of the hat brim; pm and join to work in the round.

Knit in stockinette (knit every round) until 3” from bottom of brim.

Crown shaping:

Rnd 1: *k8, k2tog; repeat from * to end (9 times).

Rnd 2: knit.

Rnd 3: * k7, k2tog; rep from * to end.

Rnd 4: knit.

Continue as established, working 1 fewer st between decreases on each decrease round, until 9 sts remain.

Next rnd: k2tog 4 times, k1 – 5 sts remain.

Finishing:

Pull yarn end through 5 remaining sts, and pull tight.

Weave in end.



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