



Heart hat

Add a pretty row of hearts to brighten up this cosy hat

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Pattern details

You will need...



Yarn

2 x 50g balls of Cygnet Superwash DK in Cranberry (shade 298), C
1 x 50g ball of Cygnet Superwash DK shade Rose Pink (shade 2134), P



Needles

3.25mm (UK size 10) and 4mm (UK size 8) knitting needles

Finished sizes

To fit an average lady's head

Abbreviations

cm	centimetre(s)
dec	decrease
in	inch(es)
inc	increase
K	knit
k2tog	knit 2sts together
M1	make 1st by picking up the strand of yarn between the sts, and K into the back of it
P	purl
st(s)	stitch(es)
st st	stocking stitch

Start here!

HEART HAT

Using Cranberry (C) and 3.25mm needles, **cast on** 116sts.

Work in K2, P2 rib for 8cm or 3in, dec 1st in centre of last row. 115sts.

Change to 4mm needles, and continue in st st for 5cm or 2in, ending on a purl row.

Join in Rose Pink (P) yarn, and work nine rows in the heart pattern. Strand the yarn across the back of the work, catching it in on every fourth or fifth stitch when taking the yarn across more than 3 or 4sts.

Row 1: K9 in C, (1P, 11C) eight times, 1P, 9C.

Row 2: P8 in C, (3P, 9C) eight times, 3P, 8C.

Row 3: K7 in C, (5P, 7C) eight times, 5P, 7C.

Row 4: P6 in C, (7P, 5C) eight times, 7P, 6C.

Row 5: K6 in C, (7P, 5C) eight times, 7P, 6C.

Row 6: P5 in C, (9P, 3C) eight times, 9P, 5C.

Row 7: K5 in C, (9P, 3C) eight times, 9P, 5C.

Row 8: P5 in C, (4P, 1C, 4P, 3C) eight times, 4P, 1C, 4P, 5C.

Row 9: K6 in C, (2P, 3C, 2P, 5C) eight times, 2P, 3C, 2P, 6C. Break off P.

Row 10: Using Cranberry, purl to end.

This completes the heart patterning. Continue in Cranberry and st st for a further 3cm or 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ in, ending with a purl row.

SHAPE CROWN

Next row: K9, k2tog, (K9, k2tog, K10, k2tog) four times, K9, k2tog. Knit to end.

Next and all following alternate rows: Purl.

Next row: K8, k2tog, (K8, k2tog, K9, k2tog) four times, K8, k2tog, knit to end.

Continue decreasing in this way on every alternate row until 15sts remain.

Break yarn, and run it through the remaining stitches. Draw up tightly and secure.

Work in all loose yarn ends. Sew the hat together, reversing the seam on the ribbed section so you can fold it up neatly.



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