

HALLOWEEN KNIT HAT PATTERN

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Yarn

- 1 skein worsted weight yarn in black (150 yards)
- 1 skein worsted weight yarn in purple (75 yards)
- 1 skein worsted weight yarn in orange (50 yards)
- 1 skein worsted weight yarn in lime green (50 yards)

Recommended: Soft worsted weight yarn. For commercial yarns, I often knit with Caron Simply Soft, but any soft acrylic or wool worsted weight picks should do the trick!

Materials

- DPNs or 9" round needles in US 7 / 4.5 mm
- tapestry/yarn needle and/or small crochet hook
- Scissors

Needle size will depend on your gauge. Mine tends to be quite big, so US 5-6 needles may be for you.

Knitting Notes

The pattern should work well for knitters fairly new to colorwork, although it will require some longer floats.

Any time you see a single color in the chart that extends past ~1 inch, remember to float the other color behind it to carry it along. My personal rule is not to float a strand more than 4 stitches at a time.



Abbreviations

- m1 - make one
- SSK - slip slip knit (form of decrease)
- k2tog - knit 2 together (alternate decrease)

Size

- Standard adult (made for head ~22 in. circumference, length is 9.5 inches from brim to top as written)

Gauge

- 16 stitches and 18 rows = 4 inches



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Brim

- **black yarn** - Cast on 84 stitches
- join, k1p1 across and add stitch marker
- k1p1 for 10 rows (or until brim reaches ~2 in in height)

Pattern

- Row 1: work chart 3 times across. **m1** every 12 stitches to increase from 84 stitches to 90 stitches across.
- Rows 2-27: knit -- work chart 3 times each

Crown

- Our decreases are marked on the chart. Each SSK decrease stitch is shown with a white slash. Or, refer to these written instructions **while following the chart:**
- Row 28: k8, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 28: knit across
- Row 29: k7, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 30: knit across
- Row 31: k6, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 32: knit across
- Row 33: k5, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 34: knit across
- Row 35: k4, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 36: knit across
- Row 37: k3, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 38: knit across
- Row 39: k2, SSK *repeat until end*
- Row 40: knit across
- Row 41: k1, SSK *repeat until end*
- remove stitch marker before finishing

FINISH

After Row 42, you should have 18 stitches left. Cut your working yarn and thread it onto your tapestry needle.

Pull the end back through the remaining stitches and close. Weave in all ends.

Pattern Customizations

FOLDED BRIM: To match the example piece, knit 10 rows of k1p1 as instructed. For a longer, foldable brim, k1p1 until brim reaches ~6-7 inches.

ALTERNATE DECREASE: Instead of SSK, you can knit2tog to create right-leaning decreases instead of left-leaning decreases. The crown will finish with a similar shape, but I prefer the look of SSK!



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