Newborn Hat, the Second

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I made this hat for my daughter when I was pregnant with her. Like the first newborn hat I designed, this hat is just a simple Stockinette stitch hat with rolled brim, but I recalculated the pattern for the DK–weight yarn I chose (my original pattern used worsted weight yarn). I named it "Newborn Hat, the Second" because it is my second newborn hat design and because it is for my second daughter.

I love a rolled brim for a child's hat because it's so practical—it can be rolled up or unrolled as much as necessary to fit the child's head. I am also particularly partial to using beautiful, hand-dyed superwash merino wool. Malabrigo's Arroyo is especially scrumptious, both in its variation of hues and its softness. And because it is superwash wool, it's machine-washable, which is something every new parent will appreciate.

Yarn

1 hank Malabrigo Arroyo (100% superwash merino wool; 355 yds/100g) in 872 Purpuras.

NEEDLES & NOTIONS

US 4 (3.5 mm), 16" circular needles and set of 4 dpns. Darning needle to finish.

GAUGE

Approx 6 sts and 8.5 rnds = 1" in St st in the rnd.

FINISHED SIZE

To fit a newborn to 3 month old baby. (The hat is approx 12" in circumference unstretched and will stretch to fit up to a 16" head circumference.)





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INSTRUCTIONS

With circular needles, CO 72 sts. PM and join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twists sts.

Work in St st (k all sts) until hat measures 5" from CO edge. Begin decrease rnds, switching to dpns when necessary.

Decrease Rnds

Rnd 1: *k6, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (63 sts).
Rnd 2: *k5, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (54 sts).
Rnd 3: k.
Rnd 4: *k4, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (45 sts).
Rnd 5: k.
Rnd 6: *k3, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (36 sts).
Rnd 7: k.
Rnd 8: *k2, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (27 sts).
Rnd 9: k.
Rnd 10: *k1, k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (18 sts).
Rnd 11: *k2tog; rep from * to end of rnd (9 sts).

FINISHING

Cut yarn leaving a 6" tail. Thread tail onto darning needle and gather remaining 9 sts, pull tight and secure. Weave in and secure loose ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

approx	approximately	k2tog	knit 2 sts together	st(s)	stitch(es)
СО	cast on	mm	millimeter(s)	St st	Stockinette st
dpns	double-pointed needles	PM	place marker	yd(s)	yard(s)
8	gram(s)	rep	repeat		
k	knit	rnd(s)	round(s)		

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