

## **KNIT HELMET**

Cast on 88 sts.

Row 1: K2, P2 and continue across. Work in pattern until piece measures 7".

Next row: Work 27 sts in pattern; bind off the next 34 sts in pattern and complete the row. On the following row, work 27 sts in pattern, cast on 34 sts with a backwards loop cast on and complete the row in pattern.

Continue working in pattern until the piece measures 12" from the beginning.



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ABOUT THIS PATTERN

Seafarers who work on decks and gangways love this helmet.

## MATERIALS

Approx. 250 yds worsted weight yarn US size 8 knitting needles (or size needed to get gauge)

> For in the round: US size 8 circular and double pointed needles (or size needed for gauge)

GAUGE 4-4.5st.=1" in 2x2 ribbing Crown Shaping Decrease Round \*K2, P2 tog. Repeat from \* (66 sts) Work in pattern as established for 9 rows.

Decrease Round \*K1, P2tog. Repeat from \* (44 sts). Work in pattern as established for 3 rows.

Decrease Round: \*K2tog and repeat from \* (22 sts). Break off, leaving about 20 inches of yarn. Thread into a tapestry needle and draw through the remaining stitches. Sew side seam.

## KNIT HELMET (IN THE ROUND)

Cast on 88 sts. Join for knitting in the round (being careful not to twist stitches). Place marker to indicate start of round.

Round 1: K2, P2 and continue to end of round. Work in pattern until piece measures 7".

Next round: Work 27 sts in pattern; bind off the next 34 sts in pattern and complete round. On the following round, work 27 sts in pattern, cast on 34 sts with a backwards loop cast on and complete round in pattern.

Continue working in pattern until the piece measures 12" from the beginning.

Crown Shaping Decrease Round: \*K2, P2 tog. Repeat from \* (66 sts). Work in pattern as established for 9 rounds. Switch to dpns when there are too few stitches for the circular needle.

Decrease Round: \*KI, P2tog. Repeat from \* (44 sts) Work in pattern as established for 3 rounds.

Decrease Round: \*K2tog and repeat from \* (22 sts)

Break off, leaving about 20 inches of yarn. Thread into a tapestry needle and draw through the remaining stitches. Pull tightly and fasten securely.