

Machine Knit version of the Seamans 1898 Hat by Nora Phillips
Amended



Note

This pattern has been adapted for the Chunky Machine from Kristine Byrnes' winning design in SCI's pattern contest for a hat. The original hand knit version can be found at <http://seamenschurch.org/sites/default/files/sci-1989-hat-kristine-byrnes-web-w-schematic.pdf> For patterns and to read more about the Seamen's Church Institute visit seamenschurch.org

There is a lot of hand tooling but I found it worthwhile.

Materials

Any Aran (Worsted weight) yarn about 60grams.

Tension

T5.. on my Brother 260.

15sts and 26 rows = 10cm

Special Instructions for increasing and decreasing on the Head Band to form the earflaps

Increase by moving needles one stitch out on either side of the centre NWP needles and filling the empty needle with the heel of the stitch next to it. You are increasing in the middle of the knitting but keeping the centre 2 needles in NWP

Decrease by moving all the needles either side of centre one stitch in. The needle either side of centre NWP will have 2 stitches on it.

Place markers either end of rows 42, 59 and 88 to facilitate picking up onto the machine later.

Head band

Ewrap cast on 22sts.

Then put centre 2 sts in NWP (This ladder will be latched up at the finish of the band)

Knit to R/C 14

Increase one stitch either side of centre 6 times in total. (See Special Instructions) 34 stitches and R/C 26

Knit to R/C30

Decrease one stitch either side of centre 6 times in total. (See Special Instructions) 22 stitches and R/C 42. Place Marker

Knit without shaping to R/C 76 not forgetting marker at row 59

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Increase one stitch either side of centre 6 times in total. (See Special Instructions) 34 stitches and R/C 88 Place Marker

Knit to R/C92

Decrease one stitch either side of centre 6 times in total. (See Special Instructions) 22 stitches and R/C 104

Knit without shaping to R/C 118

Push all needles forward to prevent stitches from falling off.

Now latch up the ladder starting at the cast on edge and skipping every second bar. This forms a good edge and allows the band to fold naturally.

Put the last of the latched up stitches on one of the empty NWP needles and cast off all stitches.

Crown

Push 70 needles into working position. R/C 0

Now offer up the head band to the machine along one of the sides with the knit side facing. Using the markers as guides evenly and neatly pick up stitches. At this point you can either fold the head band up so that the purl side is facing and place on the stitches on the machine OR you could hand sew this side of the band into position at the end.

Knit to R/C 20.

Start decreasing 7 stitches every alternate row.

Counting from the left put every 9th st on 10th st. Move the stitches along so that all the empty needles get filled.

Continue decreasing every other row thus 8 onto 9, 7 onto 8, 6 onto 7, 5 onto 6, 4 onto 5, 3 onto 4, 2 onto 3, then each alternate stitch till 14 stitches remain. R/C 38. Cut yarn and thread through the stitches and pull up.

Sew seam.