## Cat-tastic Hat Designed by Christina Ross ©2018



#### Size:

Fits a young child with 20" head circumference.

Hat measures 7" from crown to brim. In order to customize size cast on in multiples of 10. To increase the length add more rows before starting chart and after row 13 of the chart.

## Gauge:

18 stitches and 22 rows equals 4 inches in color work pattern (Color work tends to tighten tension compared to single color stitching)

## Needles:

US Size 7 (4.5mm) circular needles

US Size 8 (5mm) circular needles

(I use the magic loop method, if you prefer to use DPNs for the crown you'll need US Size 8 (5mm))

### **Notions:**

Darning needle to weave in ends Stitch markers

#### Yarn:

3 Colors of worsted weight yarn of choice. I used Everyday Premier Yarn.

Color A - Aubergine (used about 1.3 oz)

Color B - Steel (used about 0.3 oz)

Color C - Coral (used about 0.3 oz)

#### Abbreviations:

K - knit

P - purl

k2tog - knit 2 together

#### Instructions:

With US Size 7 (4.5mm) circular needles, cast on 70 stitches using the long tail cast on method. Using magic loop method split stitches onto both needles. Join stitches to begin working in the round.

Using Color A begin 1x1 ribbing by repeating k1, p1 to the end of round. Repeat for 8 rows (If you would like a folded brim you'll need to knit more rows!)

Switch to US Size 8 (5mm) circular needles

Knit 2 rows using color A (placing a stitch marker every 10 stitches in order to make chart repeats easier)

Begin working the chart. The chart is worked from right to left and then repeated 6 times for a total of 7 repeats.

\*\*\*Make sure to carry the floats every few stitches. (There are many youtube videos that will show how to do this so your work isn't too tight!)\*\*\*

Color A
Color B
Color C

Color Key: (Color A is shown white to save you ink!)

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# Begin crown shaping -

- 1. (k5, k2tog) around (60)
- 2. Knit
- 3. (k3, k2tog) around (48)
- 4. Knit
- 5. K2tog around (24)
- 6. Knit
- 7. K2tog around (12)
- 8. K2tog around (6)

Cut yarn and pull through remaining loops to fasten off. Weave in ends.

Optional: Add a pom pom using colors A & C or your choice!