

I Think I've Broken Something

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Gauge: 8.5 stitches/4 inches in Broken Rib Pattern

Yarn: Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick Metallics

(79% Acrylic, 20% Wool , 1% Metallic; 92 yd/140g): 2 skeins Mystical, 1 skein Starlight

Needles: US 15 29" circular or size or obtain gauge

Notions: stitch marker, yarn needle

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Broken Rib Pattern:

Round 1: *k1, p1* around

Round 2: knit around

Cowl

Cast on 114 stitches in Main Color (For a smaller cowl, cast on 56).

Place marker and join in the round.

Repeat the Broken Rib Pattern until piece measures 7 inches, ending having completed Round 2.

Bind off maintaining Round 1 of the Pattern.

Hat

Cast on 40 stitches in Main Color.

Place marker and join in the round.

Ribbing: *k2, p2* around for 4 rounds

Set up round: *k5, m1* around (48 stitches)

Begin Broken Rib Pattern.

Switch to Contrast Color and knit 4 Rounds of the Broken Rib Pattern.

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Crown Decreases

Round 1: (Contrast Color) *k2tog, k8, ssk* around (40



stitches)

Round 2: *p1, k1* around

Round 3: *k2tog, k6, ssk* around (32 stitches)

Round 4: *p1, k1* around

Round 5: (Main Color) *k2tog, k4, ssk* around (24 stitches)

Round 6: *p1, k1* around

Round 7: k2tog around (12 stitches)

Round 8: k2tog around (6 stitches)

Cut yarn leaving an 8 inch tail. Thread tail through remaining stitches and pull tight. Weave in all ends. Block as desired.



Math for adjustments to accommodate different gauges and lengths:

Cowl

Take the number of stitches over 1 inch in the Broken Rib Pattern and multiply it by the desired length. Then round up to the nearest even number. The sample measures 52 inches. Cast on that number of stitches then follow the pattern

Examples:

Gauge of 4.5 st./in. x 52 in. length = 234 st. cast on

Gauge of 7 st./in. x 28 in. length= 196 st. cast on

Hat

Example Gauge of 4.5 st/in in Broken Rib Pattern

Take the number of stitches over 1 inch in the Broken Rib Pattern and multiply it by 18 (or about 4 inches smaller than the measure of the circumference). Round this number to the nearest multiple of 4, and cast on this number of stitches. The Broken Rib Pattern results in more st/in than Stockinette, so the original number cast on might seem a bit small, but because of the difference in gauge for the fabrics.

Example: Gauge of 4.5 st/in x 18 = 81 = 80 st. cast on

Work the 2x2 ribbing for about 2 inches.

Calculate the number of stitches in 3 inches. Round this number to the nearest multiple of 4, and this is the number of stitches increased.

Example: 4.5 st/in x 3 = 13.5 = 12 st increased

Divide the original number of stitches by the number of stitches you need to increase.

Example: 80/12 = 6.67 = *k6, m1* 4 times, *k7, m1* 8 times (92 stitches)

Follow the pattern, but continue with the Broken Rib until hat measures approximately 4 inches, ending with Round 2.

Divide the total number of stitches by 4. Place a marker after that number of stitches. Then do a k2tog after each marker and a ssk after on every Round 1. Round 2 is now *p1, k1.* Continue until less than 30 stitches total remain.

Example: 92/4 = 23 = *k23, place marker* around

k2tog, k19, ssk around

p1, k1 around

k2tog, k17, ssk around

Continue like this until *k2tog, k5, ssk* (28 stitches)

Then k2tog around until the number of stitches is equal to or less than 8.

Example: k2tog around (14)

k2tog around (7)

Cut yarn leaving an 8 inch tail. Thread tail through the remaining stitches. Pull tight. Block as desired.