



BASIC 'BIG WOOL' BEANIE

Rolled or Ribbed Edge Versions

We love this hat knit in Rowan's super chunky yarn. It's never too late to start a hat that takes such a short time to knit!

Finished sizes: Adult medium, approx. 20"/51cm circumference; adult large, approx. 22"/56cm circumference. Directions for adult medium size given, with adult large size in parentheses ().

Yarn: 1 skein Rowan Big Wool (87 yds/80m).

Needles & Notions: US 15 (10mm) 16"/40cm circular and double-point needles, or size to obtain gauge.
US 13 (9mm) 16"/40cm circular needles, or one size smaller than gauge needle.
5 stitch markers, 1 in a contrast color. Darning needle to finish.

Gauge: 10 sts = 4"/10cm in stockinette stitch.

Glossary: **K** = knit; **K2Tog** = knit 2 stitches together; **M1** = make one (with tip of left needle, lift strand running between needles from the front; knit into the back of it); **P** = purl; **St(s)** = stitch(es).

To adjust size: For rolled edge version, add or subtract sts in multiples of 5. For ribbed edge version add or subtract sts in multiples of 2; adjust to a multiple of 5 sts for straight section and decrease rounds.

Rolled edge version: Using smaller needle, cast on 50 (55) sts. Place contrast-color marker and join in round, being careful not to twist.

Knit every round, slipping marker, until work measures 1½". Proceed to straight section.

Ribbed edge version: Using smaller needle, cast on 50 (54) sts. Place contrast-color marker and join in round, being careful not to twist.

Rounds 1-4: (K1, P1) around, slipping marker.

Adult large size only: Knit one round and use M1 method to increase one stitch at end of round (55 sts).

Both sizes: Proceed to straight section.

Straight section (both versions): Change to larger needle and knit every round, slipping marker, until work measures 5"/13cm (5¼"/13.5cm), or desired length, from bottom of rolled edge or cast-on edge of beanie; on last round, place 4 more markers every 10 (11) sts.

Note: The remaining decrease rounds will add approx. 3"/7.5cm to hat depth.

Decrease rounds (both versions): *Note: Change to double-point needles when necessary.*
Round 1: *Knit to 2 sts before marker, K2Tog*; repeat between * * around. [5 sts decreased]
Round 2: Knit.

Repeat Round 1 only (decreasing every round) until 5 sts remain.

Finishing: Break yarn, leaving a 7"/18cm tail. With darning needle, thread tail through all 5 sts one at a time; draw tail up tight. Run tail through same 5 sts again and bring needle to wrong side through the center. Weave in ends on wrong side. Wet block or steam gently as desired.

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