

## Simple Woolly Hat

A Nautical Knitter's Favourite

**Level of difficulty:** Easy

**Materials needed:**

100g double knit wool  
(approximately)

1 pair 4mm (UK no 8) needles

**Measurement:** To fit average size adult head.



**Hat:**

Cast on 112 sts.

K1, P1 rib for 8cm (3 in).

Change to stocking st for 11cm (4½in), finishing with a WS (P) row 19cm (7½in) from beginning.

**Shape crown:**

**Row 1:** K9, K2tog to last 2 sts, K2 (102 sts).

**Row 2 and every alt row:** P.

**Row 3:** K8, K2tog to last 2 stitches, K2 (92 sts).

**Row 5:** K7, K2tog to last 2 sts, K2 (82 sts).

Continue to dec with one fewer st on alt rows until K3, K2tog (42

**Row 15 (final dec row):** K2tog to end (21 sts).

Break wool and thread through rem sts. Pull up tightly and fasten off securely.

**Make up:** Sew seam.

*Submitted by Ann Jordan, Southampton*

### ***A Nautical Knitter's Poem***

Red, yellow, green and blue –  
With every stitch I knit, I pray for you.  
I pray for loved ones far away,  
That they'll be safe, by night and day.  
I pray your voyages will be calm,  
That whilst away, you'll not be harmed.  
I pray for families who wait with concern,  
But most of all, for your safe return.

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