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Textured Slouch Hat

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Materials: 100g Coco Alpacas Double Knit
Approx 20 inches/ 51cm of Sheering Elastic
4mm Straight Knitting Needles
Needle for sewing

Abbreviations:

K: Knit

P: Purl

Rep: repeat

Sts: Stitches

K2tog: knit the next 2 stitches together through the front of loops

Tension over 4 inches using 4mm on Stocking Stitch: 20sts x 28rows.

Hat measurements

Length: 14 inches/ 35.5cm

Circumference (without elastic): 20 inches/ 51cm

Pattern

- Using 4mm needles cast on 100 sts using cable method
- Row 1: knit all sts
- Row 2: purl all sts
- Row 1 and 2 form stocking stich pattern, repeat a further 3 times, 8 rows worked of stocking stitch
- Row 9: purl all sts
- Row 10: knit all sts
- Row 9 and 10 form reverse stocking stitch pattern, repeat a further 3 times, 8 rows worked in reverse stocking stitch

- The first 16 rows form the texture pattern, repeat Rows 1 – 16 a further 4 times, 80 rows worked in total

Top Shaping

- Row 81: *(k8, k2tog) rep from * to end (90sts)
- Rows 82, 84, 86 and 88: purl all sts
- Row 83: *(k7, k2tog) rep from * to end (80sts)
- Row 85: *(k6, k2tog) rep from * to end (70sts)
- Row 87: *(k5, k2tog) rep from * to end (60sts)
- Row 89: *(p4, p2tog) rep from * to end (50sts)
- Row 90, 92, 94, 96: knit all sts
- Row 91: *(p3, p2tog) rep from * to end (40sts)
- Row 93: *(p2, p2tog) rep from * to end (30sts)
- Row 95: *(p1, p2tog) rep from * to end (20sts)
- Row 97: (p2tog) rep to end (10sts)

Finishing:

- Break yarn leaving a long tail, pull through stitches on needle to close the top of the hat
- Sew along the seam, using a running stitch on the stocking stitch sections and a whip stitch on the reverse stocking stitch sections, weave ends in
- Thread the elastic on to a sewing needle and thread through the stitches of Row 8 on the inside of the hat, tie a knot at the join and trim ends