

Lile

KNITWEAR DESIGN



Balaclava

Sizes

1 (2) 4 (6) 8 years (adult)

Measurements

Head circumference: 48-50 (50-52) 50-52 (52-54) 52-54 (56-58) cm

Height of hat: 27 (29) 32 (34) 35 (37) cm

Yarn

1 (1) 1 (2) 2 (2) skeins Pernilla, fv. 818, Filcolana

Needles

3,5 mm circular needle

Gauge

23 stitches x 35 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm

About the pattern

Worked in a round, bottom up. Start with knitting the rib in a round with circular needles and the magic loop technique. The opening around the face is worked back and forth with a circular needle. The top piece is finally worked and sewed together vertically with the other pieces.

Rib

Cast on 88 (96) 100 (104) 108 (112) stitches on circular needle size 3,5 mm. Work rib *knit 2, purl 2* in round until the piece measures 6 (8) 8 (10) 10 (11) cm.

Hat

Knit in round for approximately 1 (1) 2 (2) 2 (3) cm.

Where the round begins, the first 10 (12) 12 (14) 14 (18) stitches are slipped on a stitch holder or a band = 78 (84) 90 (90) 94 (96). From now on work the piece back and forth until it measures approximately 23 (25) 27 (29) 31 (33) cm.

Bind off the first 28 (30) 32 (33) 34 (35) stitches and knit the remaining stitches. Turn the piece around and bind off the first 28 (30) 32 (33) 34 (35) stitches.

The remaining 22 (24) 24 (24) 24 (24) stitches that are left on the needle is the top of your hat. Keep on working back and forth in the stocking stitch until the piece is as long as the piece with the bind off edge. These two sides should be as long as the top piece so that they fit together when sewn together at the end.

Do not bind off, but keep the stitches on the needle.

Opening

From the right side pick up stitches vertically along the opening. Start at the top of the hat with the stitches already on the needle, pick up stitches along the left side of the hat (skip every third stitch), put 10 12 12 14 16 (18) stitches that you kept after the rib earlier in the pattern, onto the needle and finally pick up stitches along the right side of the hat.

Work 4 (4) 4 (6) 6 (8) rounds rib *knit 1, purl 1*. Bind off loosely.

Top of the hat

Sew the top of the hat together with the two pieces and weave loose ends.