

## SUPPLIES NEEDED

**Yarn:** 175 yards medium weight yarn

**Needles:** US 5 16 inch circular, US 6 16 inch circular, US 6 double pointed needles.

**Markers:** 5 stitch markers

**Gauge to Achieve Similar Size:** 5 1/2 sts/inch

**Size:** Medium adult head, about 20-22 inches.  
Knitting a swatch for your selected yarn is recommended.

### Abbreviations and Stitches:

Kf&b      knit into the front and back of  
                   stitch  
 k2T        knit 2 stitches together  
 Rib Stitch    K1,P1



**Brim:** Cast on 90 stitches, using US 5 16 inch circular needle. Join in the round, careful not to twist the stitches. Work nine rows of rib stitch (K1, P1).

**Increase Rows and Body:** On the next row, change to a US 6 16 inch circular needle, k1, inc 1 st (total 91) and change to knit stitch, placing a marker every 13 stitches.

Rnd 1: Knit around, slipping each marker.

Rnd 2: Knit to 1 stitch before marker and increase by knitting into the front and back of the next stitch, slip marker and repeat increase at each marker until the end of the row.

Repeat these two rows until you have 119 stitches (17 stitches between markers), slipping markers as you come to them. Continue knitting in the round until the beret measures 4 1/2 inches from the beginning.

**Crown and Decrease Rows:** As you decrease you will need to change to US 6 double pointed needles.

Rnd 1: Knit to 2 stitches before marker, k2T, slip marker, and repeat decrease at 2 stitches before each marker as you continue around.

Rnd 2: Knit, slipping each marker as you come to it.

Repeat these two rows until 7 stitches remain and break yarn, pulling it through final 7 stitches. Weave in ends.

**Shaping:** Dip beret into a bowl of hot water and get it completely wet. Remove from water, wrap in towel and blot out excess water. Place beret over 11" dinner plate over a glass or jar. Allow to dry completely before removing it from the plate. (I like to add about a ¼ tsp hair conditioner to the hot water.)