



# BIG PAINT HAT

## MATERIALS

BIG PAINT: 1 ball col. 200

**Circular needles:** size 11 (U.S.)/(8 mm) with a 16" (40 cm) long cable

## Stitches

### 1x1 Ribbing:

**1<sup>st</sup> row:** \* K1, P1 \* repeat from \* to \*

**2<sup>nd</sup> row and all following rows:** work the same as the 1<sup>st</sup> row.

### Bamboo st:

**1<sup>st</sup> row:** knit

**2<sup>nd</sup> row:** \* 1 YO, K2 and pass the YO over the 2 knitted sts \* repeat from \* to \*

Repeat these 2 rows.

## GAUGE

Using the size 11 needles in *bamboo st*:

11 sts & 16 rows = 4x4"

## INSTRUCTIONS

**Note:** the whole hat is worked in the round using circular needles.

**Cast on** 52 sts. Work in *1x1 ribbing*.

**Note:** to keep a check of the number of rows worked, place a marker at the start of each row.

When hat measures 1 1/8" (3 cm) measuring from the start, continue working in *bamboo st*.

When hat measures 5 7/8" (15 cm) measuring from the start, **decrease** (= K2 tog) on the following rows as indicated:

**1<sup>st</sup> row:** \* K4, K2 tog \* repeat from \* to \* = 44 sts

**From the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> row:** work **without** decreases.

**7<sup>th</sup> row:** \* K5, K2 tog \* repeat from \* to \* and finish with K2 = 38 sts

**From the 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> row:** work **without** decreases.

**13<sup>th</sup> row:** \* K4, K2 tog \* repeat from \* to \* and finish with K2 = 32 sts

**Cut** the yarn leaving a longish length.

## FINISHING (MAKING UP)

**Thread** a wool sewing needle with the longish length and pass it through the middle of all the sts on the needle. Pull the yarn firmly to draw all the sts together and work a few sewing stitches to hold securely in place.

**Pom pom:** cut a circle of cardboard 4 3/8" (11 cm) in diameter and make a pom pom with the rest over yarn.

**Sew** the pom pom onto the top of the hat.

