

## Basket-Weave Baby Hat



Lion BabySoft or Bernat Softee-Baby sport weight yarn (Softee-Baby comes out slightly larger)  
US #5 dpn's—it is helpful to have a 5<sup>th</sup> needle, but it can be done on 4  
Should fit a 2-8-month old baby.  
Will fit a 16" circumference head, and is approx. 7" tall. For a slightly larger size, use a larger gauge needle.  
This hat does not have a turned up cuff. If you want that, then do ribbing for 2 to 3 inches.

C/O 80 sts.

Work K1, P1 ribbing for 10 rounds. Change to pattern. On first round of pattern, increase by 4 stitches, evenly spaced. (=84 sts)

Continuing with Round 2, work in pattern for approx. 5 ½ inches, (6 pattern sequences) ending on Round #8.

Pattern: (multiple of 12)

1. K 1 round
2. K 2 \*P 8, K 4\* around, end K 2
3. Repeat Rnd 2
4. Repeat Rnd 2
5. K 1 round
6. P 4, \*K 4, P 8\* around, end P 4
7. Repeat Rnd 6
8. Repeat Rnd 6

Crown: Begin decreases.

1. K 4, \* K 2 tog. twice, K 8\*, repeat around, ending K 4.
2. K 2 tog, \*P 6, K 2 tog twice\* repeat around, ending K 2 tog.
3. K 1, \*P6, K 2\* around, ending K 1.
4. Repeat round 3.

5. K 1, \*K 2 tog, K 2\* around, ending K 1
6. K 2 tog around
7. K 1 round even
8. K 2 tog around, ending K 1
9. K 1 round. Cut yarn, leaving a 6-inch tail.

With tapestry needle draw tail through remaining sts twice, pulling the hole together. Fasten securely on the inside.

Put a pom-pom on top if you like.

For a larger size, C/O 88 sts, rib for 12 rounds, increasing to 96 sts after ribbing. Work in a similar manner, doing 7 or 8 pattern sequences.

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