

Watermelon Bonnet Knitting Pattern



Materials:

- Yarn: Approximately 65 yards (40 of red or pink, 10 of white or cream, 10 of green, and 5 of black) of worsted (4) yarn for smaller sizes, and approx. 85 yards (55 of red or pink, 10 of white or cream, 15 of green, and 5 of black) for larger sizes (I used Lamb's Pride SuperWash)
- Knitting Needles: Size 5 mm (US 8) (Or size needed to obtain gauge) Straight Needles and Double Pointed Needles (DPNs) or use the Magic Loop Method
- Yarn or Tapestry Needle

Abbreviations:

- P5togM5: Purl 5 together (without dropping sts from left needle) and make 5 all in the same stitch. See my video at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yYdFXCNdqQ0> for an in-depth explanation of this stitch.
- K2tog: Knit two stitches together
- **: Repeat the section in between the two stars as specified

Gauge:

10 sts and 14 rows = 2 inches (5 centimeters)
in stockinette stitch
It is important to check your gauge!

Average Head Circumference:

Newborn: 13-14"
0-3 Months: 14-15"
3-6 Months: 14-17"
6-12 Months: 16-19"
1-3 Years: 18-20"

Newborn Pattern

Cast on 57 sts onto straight needles with green yarn

Row 1: K1, P55, K1

Row 2: P2, *P5togM5, P1* Repeat 8 more times, P1 (57 total sts)

Row 3: K1, P55, K1

Pick up white yarn. (You will be floating the green and white yarns in back of your project for the next row)

Row 4: *K1 (green), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on green

Drop green yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 5: Purl (white)

Row 6: Knit

Row 7: Purl

Pick up pink or red

Row 8: *K1 (pink or red), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on pink

Drop white yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 9: Purl (pink or red)

Row 10: Knit

Row 11: Purl

Pick up black yarn (for the black sts throughout the next rows you will be cutting a piece of black yarn approx 8 inches long for each individual black stitch and knitting with that. At the end of the project you will be tying these sts in a knot on the back of your project)

Row 12: K2 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 4 more times, K9 (pink)

Rows 13-17: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 13 (pink)

Row 18: K6 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 4 more times, K5 (pink)

Rows 19-23: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 19 (pink)

Row 24: Repeat row 12

Row 25-29: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 25 (pink)

Row 30: Repeat row 18

Move to Double Pointed Needles, Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: K2tog, K5, K2tog, K6, *K2tog, K5* Repeat 5 more times (49 total sts)

Round 2: *K2tog, K3* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K2 (39 total sts)

Round 3: *K2tog, K2* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K1 (29 total sts)

Round 4: *K2tog, K1* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog (19 total sts)

Do not bind off. Cut approx. 7 inch tail. Using yarn needle, remove all sts from DPNs or magic loop, as if to purl. Pull tail through sts to cinch the back of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends. Go back to all black sts and tie a knot on the inside and cut yarn tails.

Cut six strands of yarn approx. 30 inches long and pull them in a loop through the corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends of the yarn through this loop (this attaches the yarn without any knots, and makes your project look smoother). Separate the yarn into three sections and braid them to desired length. Secure and cut yarn evenly on the ends. Repeat on the other corner as well.

0-3 Month Pattern

Cast on 63 sts onto straight needles with green yarn

Row 1: K1, P61, K1

Row 2: P2, *P5togM5, P1* Repeat 9 more times, P1 (63 total sts)

Row 3: K1, P61, K1

Pick up white yarn. (You will be floating the green and white yarns in back of your project for the next row)

Row 4: *K1 (green), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on green

Drop green yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 5: Purl (white)

Row 6: Knit

Row 7: Purl

Pick up pink or red

Row 8: *K1 (pink or red), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on pink

Drop white yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 9: Purl (pink or red)

Row 10: Knit

Row 11: Purl

Pick up black yarn (for the black sts throughout the next rows you will be cutting a piece of black yarn approx 8 inches long for each individual black stitch and knitting with that. At the end of the project you will be tying these sts in a knot on the back of your project)

Row 12: K2 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 5 more times, K6 (pink)

Rows 13-17: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 13 (pink)

Row 18: K6 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 5 more times, K2 (pink)

Rows 19-23: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 19 (pink)

Row 24: Repeat row 12

Row 25-29: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 25 (pink)

Row 30: Repeat row 18

Rows 31-34: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 31 (pink)

Move to Double Pointed Needles, Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: K2tog, K14, K2tog, K13, K2tog, K14, K2tog, K14 (59 total sts)

Round 2: *K2tog, K4* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K3 (49 total sts)

Round 3: *K2tog, K3* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K2 (39 total sts)

Round 4: *K2tog, K2* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K1 (29 total sts)

Round 5: *K2tog, K1* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog (19 total sts)

Do not bind off. Cut approx. 7 inch tail. Using yarn needle, remove all sts from DPNs or magic loop, as if to purl. Pull tail through sts to cinch the back of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends. Go back to all black sts and tie a knot on the inside and cut yarn tails.

Cut six strands of yarn approx. 30 inches long and pull them in a loop through the corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends of the yarn through this loop (this attaches the yarn without any knots, and makes your project look smoother). Separate the yarn into three sections and braid them to desired length. Secure and cut yarn evenly on the ends. Repeat on the other corner as well.

3-6 Month Pattern

Cast on 69 sts onto straight needles with green yarn

Row 1: K1, P67, K1

Row 2: P2, *P5togM5, P1* Repeat 10 more times, P1 (69 total sts)

Row 3: K1, P67, K1

Pick up white yarn. (You will be floating the green and white yarns in back of your project for the next row)

Row 4: *K1 (green), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on green

Drop green yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 5: Purl (white)

Row 6: Knit

Row 7: Purl

Pick up pink or red

Row 8: *K1 (pink or red), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on pink

Drop white yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 9: Purl (pink or red)

Row 10: Knit

Row 11: Purl

Pick up black yarn (for the black sts throughout the next rows you will be cutting a piece of black yarn approx 8 inches long for each individual black stitch and knitting with that. At the end of the project you will be tying these sts in a knot on the back of your project)

Row 12: K2 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 6 more times, K3 (pink)

Rows 13-17: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 13 (pink)

Row 18: K6 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 5 more times, K7 (pink)

Rows 19-23: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 19 (pink)

Row 24: Repeat row 12

Row 25-29: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 25 (pink)

Row 30: Repeat row 18

Rows 31-35: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 31 (pink)

Row 36: Repeat row 12

Rows 37-40: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 37 (pink)

Move to Double Pointed Needles, Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: *K2tog, K5* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K4 (59 total sts)

Round 2: *K2tog, K4* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K3 (49 total sts)

Round 3: *K2tog, K3* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K2 (39 total sts)

Round 4: *K2tog, K2* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K1 (29 total sts)

Round 5: *K2tog, K1* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog (19 total sts)

Do not bind off. Cut approx. 7 inch tail. Using yarn needle, remove all sts from DPNs or magic loop, as if to purl. Pull tail through sts to cinch the back of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends. Go back to all black sts and tie a knot on the inside and cut yarn tails.

Cut six strands of yarn approx. 30 inches long and pull them in a loop through the corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends of the yarn through this loop (this attaches the yarn without any knots, and makes your project look smoother). Separate the yarn into three sections and braid them to desired length. Secure and cut yarn evenly on the ends. Repeat on the other corner as well.

6-12 Month Pattern

Cast on 81 sts onto straight needles with green yarn

Row 1: K1, P79, K1

Row 2: P2, *P5togM5, P1* Repeat 12 more times, P1 (81 total sts)

Row 3: K1, P79, K1

Pick up white yarn. (You will be floating the green and white yarns in back of your project for the next row)

Row 4: *K1 (green), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on green

Drop green yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 5: Purl (white)

Row 6: Knit

Row 7: Purl

Pick up pink or red

Row 8: *K1 (pink or red), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on pink

Drop white yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 9: Purl (pink or red)

Row 10: Knit

Row 11: Purl

Pick up black yarn (for the black sts throughout the next rows you will be cutting a piece of black yarn approx 8 inches long for each individual black stitch and knitting with that. At the end of the project you will be tying these sts in a knot on the back of your project)

Row 12: K2 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 7 more times, K6 (pink)

Rows 13-17: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 13 (pink)

Row 18: K6 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 7 more times, K2 (pink)

Rows 19-23: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 19 (pink)

Row 24: Repeat row 12

Row 25-29: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 25 (pink)

Row 30: Repeat row 18

Rows 31-35: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 31 (pink)

Row 36: Repeat row 12

Rows 37-41: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 37 (pink)

Row 42: Repeat row 18

Rows 43-46: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 43 (pink)

Move to Double Pointed Needles, Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: K2tog, K39, K2tog, K38 (79 total sts)

Round 2: *K2tog, K6* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K5 (69 total sts)

Round 3: *K2tog, K5* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K4 (59 total sts)

Round 4: *K2tog, K4* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K3 (49 total sts)

Round 5: *K2tog, K3* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K2 (39 total sts)

Round 6: *K2tog, K2* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K1 (29 total sts)

Round 7: *K2tog, K1* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog (19 total sts)

Do not bind off. Cut approx. 7 inch tail. Using yarn needle, remove all sts from DPNs or magic loop, as if to purl. Pull tail through sts to cinch the back of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends. Go back to all black sts and tie a knot on the inside and cut yarn tails.

Cut six strands of yarn approx. 30 inches long and pull them in a loop through the corner of the bonnet. Pull the ends of the yarn through this loop (this attaches the yarn without any knots, and makes your project look smoother). Separate the yarn into three sections and braid them to desired length. Secure and cut yarn evenly on the ends. Repeat on the other corner as well.

12 Month – 3 Year Pattern

Cast on 87 sts onto straight needles with green yarn

Row 1: K1, P85, K1

Row 2: P2, *P5togM5, P1* Repeat 13 more times, P1 (87 total sts)

Row 3: K1, P85, K1

Pick up white yarn. (You will be floating the green and white yarns in back of your project for the next row)

Row 4: *K1 (green), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on green

Drop green yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 5: Purl (white)

Row 6: Knit

Row 7: Purl

Pick up pink or red

Row 8: *K1 (pink or red), K1 (white)* Repeat across, ending on pink

Drop white yarn and cut leaving a 5-7 inch tail

Row 9: Purl (pink or red)

Row 10: Knit

Row 11: Purl

Pick up black yarn (for the black sts throughout the next rows you will be cutting a piece of black yarn approx 8 inches long for each individual black stitch and knitting with that. At the end of the project you will be tying these sts in a knot on the back of your project)

Row 12: K2 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 8 more times, K3 (pink)

Rows 13-17: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 13 (pink)

Row 18: K6 (pink), K1 (black), *K8 (pink), K1 (black)* Repeat 7 more times, K8 (pink)

Rows 19-23: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 19 (pink)

Row 24: Repeat row 12

Row 25-29: Alternate between purling and knitting each row, purling row 25 (pink)

Row 30: Repeat row 18

Rows 31-35: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 31 (pink)

Row 36: Repeat row 12

Rows 37-41: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 37 (pink)

Row 42: Repeat row 18

Rows 43-47: Alternate between purling and knitting, purling row 43 (pink)

Row 48: Repeat row 12

Row 49: Purl

Row 50: Knit

Move to Double Pointed Needles, Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: K2tog, K9, K2tog, K8, *K2tog, K9* Repeat 5 more times (79 total sts)

Round 2: *K2tog, K6* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K5 (69 total sts)

Round 3: *K2tog, K5* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K4 (59 total sts)

Round 4: *K2tog, K4* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K3 (49 total sts)

Round 5: *K2tog, K3* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K2 (39 total sts)

Round 6: *K2tog, K2* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog, K1 (29 total sts)

Round 7: *K2tog, K1* Repeat 8 more times, K2tog (19 total sts)

Do not bind off. Cut approx. 7 inch tail. Using yarn needle, remove all sts from DPNs or magic loop, as if to purl. Pull tail through sts to cinch the back of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends. Go back to all black sts and tie a knot on the inside and cut yarn tails.

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