# Melody's Makings

## **Antler Hat Knitting Pattern**



#### **Materials:**

- Yarn: Approximately 60 yards of brown worsted weight (4) yarn for smaller sizes, and approx. 100 yards for larger sizes. Approx 15 yards of white or cream worsted weight (4) yarn. (I used Red Heart Soft yarn)
- Knitting Needles: Size 5.0 mm (US 8) double Pointed Needles [DPNs] or use the magic loop method and Straight Needles
  - Yarn or Tapestry Needle

#### **Abbreviations:**

- M1 (Make 1): On a knit row: Insert left needle, front to back, under the strand between st on left needle and st on right needle making a new loop on left needle. Knit this loop through the back.
  - K2tog: Knit two stitches together
  - P2tog: Purl two stitches together
- $\, {}^{\bullet} \, {}^{**}$ : Repeat the section in between the two stars as specified

#### Gauge:

9 sts and 14 rows = 2 inches in stockinette st \*\*\*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" 3-10 Years: 19-20.5"

#### **Hat Pattern:**

#### **Newborn Pattern**

CO 52 sts with brown yarn onto DPNs (or use the magic loop method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Purl Rounds 2-25: Knit

Round 26: \*K2tog, K11\* Repeat around (48 total sts)

Rounds 27 & 28: Knit

Round 29: \*K2tog, K6\* Repeat around (42 total sts)

Round 30: \*K2tog, K5\* Repeat around (36 total sts)

Round 31: \*K2tog, K4\* Repeat around (30 total sts)

Round 32: \*K2tog, K3\* Repeat around (24 total sts)

Round 33: \*K2tog, K2\* Repeat around (18 total sts)

Round 34: \*K2tog, K1\* Repeat around (12 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 top of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends.

#### 0-3 Month Pattern

CO 56 sts with brown yarn onto DPNs (or use the magic loop method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Purl

Rounds 2-28: Knit

Round 29: \*K2tog, K26\* Repeat around (54 total sts)

Rounds 30 & 31: Knit

Round 32: \*K2tog, K7\* Repeat around (48 total sts)

Round 33: \*K2tog, K6\* Repeat around (42 total sts)

Round 34: \*K2tog, K5\* Repeat around (36 total sts)

Round 35: \*K2tog, K4\* Repeat around (30 total sts)

Round 36: \*K2tog, K3\* Repeat around (24 total sts)

Round 37: \*K2tog, K2\* Repeat around (18 total sts)

Round 38: \*K2tog, K1\* Repeat around (12 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 top of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends.

#### 3-6 Month Pattern

CO 60 sts with brown yarn onto DPNs (or use the magic loop method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Purl

Rounds 2-34: Knit

Round 35: \*K2tog, K8\* Repeat around (54 total sts)

Round 36: \*K2tog, K7\* Repeat around (48 total sts)

Round 37: \*K2tog, K6\* Repeat around (42 total sts)

Round 38: \*K2tog, K5\* Repeat around (36 total sts)

Round 39: \*K2tog, K4\* Repeat around (30 total sts)

Round 40: \*K2tog, K3\* Repeat around (24 total sts)

Round 41: \*K2tog, K2\* Repeat around (18 total sts)

Round 42: \*K2tog, K1\* Repeat around (12 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 top of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends.

#### 6-12 Month Pattern

CO 68 sts with brown yarn onto DPNs (or use the magic loop method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Purl

Rounds 2-34: Knit

Round 35: \*K2tog, K32\* Repeat around (66 total sts)

Rounds 36 & 37: Knit

Round 38: \*K2tog, K9\* Repeat around (60 total sts)

Round 39: \*K2tog, K8\* Repeat around (54 total sts)

Round 40: \*K2tog, K7\* Repeat around (48 total sts)

Round 41: \*K2tog, K6\* Repeat around (42 total sts)

Round 42: \*K2tog, K5\* Repeat around (36 total sts)

Round 43: \*K2tog, K4\* Repeat around (30 total sts)

Round 44: \*K2tog, K3\* Repeat around (24 total sts)

Round 45: \*K2tog, K2\* Repeat around (18 total sts)

Round 46: \*K2tog, K1\* Repeat around (12 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 top of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends.

#### 1-3 Year Pattern

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CO 72 sts with brown yarn onto DPNs (or use the magic loop method)
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Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Purl

Rounds 2-39: Knit

Round 40: \*K2tog, K10\* Repeat around (66 total sts)

Round 41: \*K2tog, K9\* Repeat around (60 total sts)

Round 42: \*K2tog, K8\* Repeat around (54 total sts)

Round 43: \*K2tog, K7\* Repeat around (48 total sts)

Round 44: \*K2tog, K6\* Repeat around (42 total sts)

Round 45: \*K2tog, K5\* Repeat around (36 total sts)

Round 46: \*K2tog, K4\* Repeat around (30 total sts)

Round 47: \*K2tog, K3\* Repeat around (24 total sts)

Round 48: \*K2tog, K2\* Repeat around (18 total sts)

Round 49: \*K2tog, K1\* Repeat around (12 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 top of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends.

#### Child 3-10 Year Pattern

CO 76 sts with brown yarn onto DPNs (or use the magic loop method)

Join in the round and place stitch marker

Round 1: Purl

Rounds 2-39: Knit

Round 40: \*K2tog, K17\* Repeat around (72 total sts)

Rounds 41 & 42: Knit

Round 43: \*K2tog, K10\* Repeat around (66 total sts)

Round 44: \*K2tog, K9\* Repeat around (60 total sts)

Round 45: \*K2tog, K8\* Repeat around (54 total sts)

Round 46: \*K2tog, K7\* Repeat around (48 total sts)

Round 47: \*K2tog, K6\* Repeat around (42 total sts)

Round 48: \*K2tog, K5\* Repeat around (36 total sts)

Round 49: \*K2tog, K4\* Repeat around (30 total sts)

Round 50: \*K2tog, K3\* Repeat around (24 total sts)

Round 51: \*K2tog, K2\* Repeat around (18 total sts)

Round 52: \*K2tog, K1\* Repeat around (12 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 top of hat. Using yarn needle, pull tail through to the inside of the hat. Tie a knot and weave in ends.

## Ear Pattern:

### Newborn and 0-3 Month Pattern (Make 2)

CO 5 sts onto straight needles. Leave a 10-12 inch tail for sewing the ear onto the hat

Row 1: P2, K1, P2

Row 2: K2, P1, K2

Row 3: P2, M1, K1, M1, P2 (7 total sts)

Row 4: K2, P3, K2

Row 5: P2, K3, P2

Row 6: Repeat row 4

Row 7: Repeat row 5

Row 8: Repeat row 4

Row 9: Repeat row 5

Row 10: Repeat row 4

Row 11: P2tog, P1, K1, P1, P2tog (5 total sts)

Row 12: K2, P1, K2

Row 13: P2tog, K1, P2tog (3 total sts)

Row 14: K2tog, K1 (2 total sts)

Row 15: P2tog (1 stitch)

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl. Secure and weave in end. Use your base varn tail and your varn needle to attach the ear to the top sides of the hat. Leave plenty of room for the two antlers to be attached in between the two ears.

## 3-6 and 6-12 Month Pattern (Make 2)

CO 5 sts onto straight needles. Leave a 10-12 inch tail for sewing the ear onto the hat

Row 1: P2, K1, P2

Row 2: K2, P1, K2

Row 3: P2, M1, K1, M1, P2 (7 total sts)

Row 4: K2, P3, K2

Row 5: P2, M1, K3, M1, P2 (9 total sts)

Row 6: K2, P5, K2

Row 7: P2, K5, P2

Row 8: Repeat row 6

Row 9: Repeat row 7

Row 10: Repeat row 6

Row 11: Repeat row 7

Row 12: Repeat row 6

Row 13: P2tog, P1, K3, P1, P2tog (7 total sts)

Row 14: K2, P3, K2

Row 15: P2tog, P1, K1, P1, P2tog (5 total sts)

Row 16: K2, P1, K2

Row 17: P2tog, K1, P2tog (3 total sts)

Row 18: K2tog, K1 (2 total sts)

Row 19: P2tog (1 stitch)

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl. Secure and weave in end. Use your base varn tail and your varn needle to attach the ear to the top sides of the hat. Leave plenty of room for the two antlers to be attached in between the two ears.

## 1-3 and 3-10 Year Pattern (Make 2)

CO 7 sts onto straight needles. Leave a 10-12 inch tail for sewing the ear onto the hat

Row 1: P2, K3, P2

Row 2: K2, P3, K2

Row 3: P2, M1, K3, M1, P2 (9 total sts)

Row 4: K2, P5, K2

Row 5: P2, M1, K5, M1, P2 (11 total sts)

Row 6: K2, P7, K2

Row 7: P2, K7, P2

Row 8: Repeat row 6

Row 9: Repeat row 7

Row 10: Repeat row 6

Row 11: Repeat row 7

Row 12: Repeat row 6

Row 13: P2tog, P1, K5, P1, P2tog (9 total sts)

Row 14: K2, P5, K2

Row 15: P2tog, P1, K3, P1, P2tog (7 total sts)

Row 16: K2, P3, K2

Row 17: P2tog, K3, P2tog (5 total sts)

Row 18: K2, P1, K2

Row 19: P2tog, K1, P2tog (3 total sts)

Row 20: K2tog, K1 (2 total sts)

Row 21: P2tog (1 stitch)

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl. Secure and weave in end. Use your base yarn tail and your yarn needle to attach the ear to the top sides of the hat. Leave plenty of room for the two antlers to be attached in between the two ears.

## **Antler Pattern:**

Make a 4 stitch knitted I-Cord for 1.5 inches (2 inches for 3-6 or 6-12 month size, and 2.5 inches for 1-3 or 3-10 Year size) in length, then follow instructions below (leave a 10-12 inch tail to use for securing antler to hat):

Row 1: Purl (make sure to do this row on the back side of the I-Cord)

Row 2: K3, M1, K1 (5 total sts)

Row 3: P2, Place the other three sts on a stitch holder and continue with 2 remaining sts

Row 4: Knit Row 5: P2tog

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl.

Secure and weave in end.

Return to sts on stitch holder

Row 1: Purl (Be sure to start back onto the purled side of your project)

Row 2: Knit Row 3: Purl

Row 4: K2tog, K1 (2 total sts)

Row 5: Ptog

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl. Secure and weave in end. Use your base yarn tail and your yarn needle to attach the antler in between the two ears. The pointed part of the antler should face out as pictured above. Follow instructions below for second antler:

Make a 4 stitch knitted I-Cord for 1.5 inches (2 inches for 3-6 or 6-12 month size, and 2.5 inches for 1-3 or 3-10 Year size) in length, then follow instructions below (leave a 10-12 inch tail to use for securing antler to hat):

Row 1: Purl (make sure to do this row on the back side of the I-Cord)

Row 2: K1, M1, K3 (5 total sts)

Row 3: P3, Place the other two sts on a stitch holder and continue with 3 remaining sts

Row 4: Knit Row 5: Purl

Row 6: K2tog, K1 (2 total sts)

Row 7: P2tog

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl. Secure and weave in end.

Return to sts on stitch holder

Row 1: Knit (Be sure to start back onto the knitted side of your project)

Row 2: P2tog

Use yarn or tapestry needle to remove last stitch from needles as if to purl. Secure and weave in end. Use your base yarn tail and your yarn needle to attach the antler in between the two ears. The pointed part of the antler should face out as pictured above.

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