

Never Fail Quail Cap

Materials:

- ◆ 1/2 skein (100 yds) of worsted weight (*I used Madelinetosh Merino in Fathom*)
- ◆ US 8 circle needles (16")
- ◆ Set of US 8 DPN
- ◆ Tapestry Needle (for finishing)

Gauge: 4X4 stitches per inch



Directions:

Using size 8 circle needles, CO 72 sts. K1, P1 to end and repeat for 5 more rounds.
Set up row: P3, K6 and repeat to end.

Note: Once you work the quail pattern you may notice the two horizontal lines that fan out in front of the stitches are sometimes uneven. A slight tug at the stitches will correct this.

Begin Quail pattern:

Rounds 1, 3, and 5: P3, K6, P3, K2, wyif sl1 [twice], K2; to end.

Rounds 2, 4, and 6: P3, K6, P3, 3-sts RC, 3-sts LC; rep to end.

Rounds 7, 9, and 11: P3, K2, wyif sl1 [twice], K2, P3, K6; rep to end.

Round 8, 10, and 12: P3, 3-sts RC, 3-sts LC, P3, K6; rep to end.

Repeat rounds 1-12 of pattern 1 more time.

Decease Rounds:

Round 1: P3, K6, P3, K2, wyif sl1 [twice], K2; rep to end.

Round 2: P3, K2tog, K2, K2tog, P3, 3-sts RC, 3-sts LC; rep to end.

Round 3: P3, K4, P3, K2, wyif sl1 [twice], K2; rep to end.

Round 4: P3, K4, P3, 3-sts RC, 3-sts LC; rep to end.

Round 5: P1, P2tog, K4, P2tog, P1, K2, wyif sl1 [twice], K2; rep to end.

Round 6: P2, K1, K2tog, K1, P2, K2, K2tog, K2; rep to end.

Round 7: P2, K3, P2, K2tog, K1, K2tog; rep to end.



Continue Decease Rounds:

Round 8: (switch to dpn) P2, K2tog, K1; rep to end.

Round 9: P2tog, K2tog; rep to end.

Round 10: K2tog to end.

Finishing:

Cut yarn and weave through remaining stitches using the tapestry needle.

Abbreviations:

wyif sl1— ‘with yarn in front, slip 1 stitch’

3-st RC— right cross (like you would work a cable), as in: slip 2 stitches to cable needle and hold to back, k1, k2 from the cable needle.

3-st LC—left cross, as in: slip 1 stitch to cable needle and hold to front, k2, k1 from cable needle.

