

## Hello Baby Hat

a free design by Susan B. Anderson

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## Size:

Newborn to 3 months

### Yarn:

Spud & Chloë Sweater (55% superwash wool, 45% organic cotton; 160 yards/100 grams), 1 hank in Igloo #7517 for the cardigan and 1 hank (or a small amount) in Toast #7506 for the l-cord at the top of the hat

Note: I used the leftover Igloo from the Hello Baby Cardigan to make the hat.

## **Needles:**

US size 7 needles, 16-inch circular and a set of 4 double-pointed needles or size to obtain gauge

Note: I can comfortably fit 56 stitches around a 16-inch circular needle. If you can't

fit the stitches around a 16-inch needle you could use doublepointed needles or a

12-inch circular needle.

## Gauae:

5 stitches per inch in stockinette stitch

## **Materials:**

Tape measure or ruler

Scissors

Stitch marker

Yarn needle

With the circular needle and Igloo, cast on 56 stitches. Join to work

being careful not to twist the stitches. Place a stitch marker on the first stitch.

Rnds 1-7: knit

Rnd 8: purl

Rnd 9: knit

Rnd 10: purl

Rnd 11: knit

Rnd 12: purl

Repeat rounds 1-12 one more time. Repeat rounds 1-7 one more time.

# Decrease rounds:

Work onto double-pointed needles when necessary.

Rnd 1: (p6, p2tog) repeat to the end of the round

Rnd 2: (k5, k2tog) repeat to the end of the round

Rnd 3: purl

Rnd 4: (k4, k2tog) repeat to the end of the round

Rnd 5: purl

Rnd 6: (k3, k2tog) repeat to the end of the round

Rnds 7 and 8: knit

Rnd 9: (k2, k2tog) repeat to the end of the round

Rnd 10: knit

Rnd 11: (k1, k2tog) repeat to the end of the round (14 sts remain)

**Rnd 12:** (k2tog) repeat to the end of the round (7 sts remain)

**Rnd 13:** k2tog twice, k3tog once (3 sts remain)

Place the 3 remaining stitches on one double-pointed needle. Cut the yarn leaving a 6-inch end.

Attach Toast. Work in I-cord on 2 double-pointed needles for 2 inches.



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Bind off. Cut the yarn leaving a 6-inch end. Pull the end through the remaining stitch.

Place the end on a yarn needle. Stitch the I-cord end to the top of the hat to form a loop. Pull the end to the inside and trim.

Weave in all ends on the inside of the hat and trim.

## Strawberry Charm (optional)

## Needles:

US size 1 set of 4 double-pointed needles

### Yarn

Small amounts of Spud & Chloë Fine in Red Hot #7815 and Cricket #7804

## Materials:

Embroidery needle Scissors Stitch marker

## Strawberry:

With Red Hot cast on 6 stitches placing 2 stitches on each of three double-pointedneedles. Join to work in the round being careful not to twist the stitches. Place astitch marker on the first stitch.

Rnd 1: knit

Rnd 2: (k1, kfb) repeat on each needle (3 sts per needle,

9 sts total)

Rnds 3 and 4: knit

Rnd 5: (k2, kfb) repeat on each needle (4 sts per needle,

12 sts total)

Rnd 6: knit

Attach Cricket.

Rnd 7: (k1 Red Hot, k1 Cricket) repeat to the end of the round At this time place the end from the cast on stitches on an embroidery needle. Take some stitches to close the hole at the bottom of the strawberry. Pull the end to the inside and trim

Cut the Red Hot leaving a 4-inch end. Wrap the end around your finger and stuff the strawberry with the Red Hot yarn end.

Continue in Cricket only.

Rnd 8: knit

Rnd 9: (k2tog) repeat to the end of the round (6 sts remain) Rnd 10: (k2tog) repeat to the end of the round (3 sts remain) Place the 3 remaining stitches on one double-pointed needle. With 2 doublepointed needles begin 1-cord.

## Stem:

Row 1: k2tog, k1 (2 sts remain)

Continue working in I-cord until the cord measures 1 ½ inches.

**Next row:** k2tog (1 st remains)

Cut the yarn leaving an 8-inch tail and pull through the remaining stitch. Place theend on an embroidery needle. Pull the I-cord through the loop on the top of the hat.

Stitch the end of the stem to the top of the strawberry to form a loop. Pull the end to the inside and back to the outside again. With the embroidery needle take 5-6 duplicate stitches to make the strawberry seeds. Pull the end to the insideof the strawberry and trim..

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