

A Cap for Sue

This pattern was designed in honor of Sue Suzenski, who succumbed to cancer in 2011. For any chemo cap, use a yarn that is both soft and washable. To test for softness, rub the yarn on the back of your neck.

Materials

60 g worsted (medium) weight yarn. Sample was knit using Caron *Simply Soft* Solids (100% acrylic, 315yds, 6 oz)

US size 7 (4.5mm) needles—16 inch circular and double point

Gauge: 21 sts per 4 inches (10cm) in Roman Rib stitch.

Size: S (M, L); 16 (18.25, 20.5) inch; 40.5 (46.25, 52) cm cap circumference

Pattern Stitch: Roman Rib

Rounds 1 & 2: *k1, p1* repeat between *s to end of round.

Rounds 3 & 4: knit.

Rounds 5 & 6: *p1, k1* repeat between *s to end of round.

Rounds 7 & 8: knit.

Directions

Cast on 84 (96, 108) stitches. Join to begin work in the round, making sure the sts are not twisted.

Work in the Roman Rib pattern until cap is 4.5 (5, 5.5) inches or 11.4 (12.7, 14) cm from cast on edge.

Next round: *work in pattern 14 (16, 18) sts, place marker* repeat between *s to end of round.

Decrease round: *work in pattern to 2 sts before marker, k2tog* repeat between *s to end of round.

Work decrease round every OTHER round for one inch (2.5 cm), approximately 6 rounds.

Then work decrease round EVERY round until six sts remain. Change to double pointed needles when there are too few sts to fit on circular needle.

Cut yarn. Run yarn tail through last six sts and pull tight. Weave in ends.