

# Gina's Brioche Hat

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## Materials

Worsted Weight Yarn: 1 skein each of 2 different colors (approx. 160 yds each)

Circular needle 16", and circular/DPNs to accommodate decreases: US #5 (adjust size as you would normally - tighter knitters use #6, looser knitters use #4)

**Gauge:** 20 stitches and 24 rows = 4 inches in pattern stitch

**Finished Measurements:** 9 1/2 inch tall by 20 inch circumference

## Notes

**bk2tog [brioche knit 2 together]:** knit next knit stitch together with its paired yarnover

**bp2tog [brioche purl 2 together]:** purl next purl stitch together with its paired yarnover

**YOS [yarn over slip]:** Bring yarn to front of work, slip one purlwise, bring yarn over right needle to back of work.

**brLsl dec (2-stitch decrease slants to the left, involving 3 sts):** slip the first stitch (including paired yarnover) knitwise, brk the following two stitches together, pass slipped stitch over.

After working a round with Yarn A, leave yarn hanging at front of work.

After working a round with Yarn B, leave yarn hanging at the back of work.

If you would like to adjust this pattern for a different circumference, simply cast on any even number of stitches.

## Pattern

Begin with Rolled Edge

With Yarn B, loosely cast on 88 stitches. Place a marker and join for working in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Knit 5 rounds.

Join Yarn A to begin working in two color Brioche stitch.

## Brioche Stitch

Start with Yarn A, leaving yarn B hanging in back of work.

**Round 1:** With Yarn A, \*YOS (see Pattern Notes above), p1, repeat from \* to end of round.

Leaving Yarn A hanging at front of work, continue working in Yarn B.

**Round 2:** With Yarn B, \*Bk2tog (see Pattern Notes above), YOS, repeat from \* to end of round

Leaving Yarn B hanging at back of work, continue working with Yarn A.

**Round 3:** With Yarn A: \*YOS, bp2tog (see Pattern Notes above), repeat from \* to end of round.

Leave Yarn A in front of work.

**Round 4:** With Yarn B): \*Bk2tog, YOS, repeat from \* to end of round. Leave Yarn B in back of work.

Repeat Rounds 3 and 4 until piece measures 6 3/4 inches from the rolled edge.  
Repeat Round 3. Place markers every 22 stitches.

## Shape Crown Modification

(These instructions differ from the Purl Soho pattern)

**Round 1:** With Yarn B: [BrLsl (see Pattern Notes above), YOS, \*bk2tog, YOS, repeat from \* to marker] 4 times.

**Round 2:** With Yarn A: \*YOS, bp2tog, repeat from \* to end of round.

**Round 3:** With Yarn B: \*Bk2tog, YOS, repeat from \* to end of round.

**Round 4:** With Yarn A: \*YOS, bp2tog, repeat from \* to end of round.



(Transfer stitches to double pointed needles when work becomes too narrow to fit on circular needle.)

Repeat Rounds 1 through 4 until 16 sts remain.

Work Rounds 1 through 3 once, 8 sts remain.

Break MC yarn, leaving at least 6" tail. Using tapestry needle, thread the yarn tail through the remaining live stitches and snug tightly to close the top. Secure the yarn and insert through the center. Weave in ends using tapestry needle.