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Swirl Hat

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This is an easy knit hat, worked with soft fingering weight yarn that is quick to work up and stretchy enough for longer wear in growing children. Soft yarn and close fit makes this great for chemo caps.

Yarn: 20-50 grams of Sheepy Time Yarns Panda Feet.

Needles: US Size 3 (3.25mm), or size needed to achieve gauge. Use circular or DPNs as desired.

Gauge: 13 sts=2 inches in stockinette stitch.

Sizes: To fit head measuring:
Preemie 12"-13"
Newborn 13"-14"
4-12m 14"-16"
12m-2y 16"-19"
Child 18"-20"
Adult 20"-22"

Directions:
Cast on 72 (80, 88, 96, 112, 128) stitches. Join, being careful not to twist.
*K2, P2* around for 8 rounds.

*K2, YO, K4, K2tog* Repeat each round until work measures 4.5" (5", 5.5", 6", 6.5", 7") from cast-on edge.

Begin crown shaping as follows:
1. *K2, YO, K3, K3tog*, repeat. 63 (70, 77, 84, 98, 112) stitches remain.
3. *K2, YO, K2, K3tog*, repeat. 56 (60, 66, 72, 84, 96) stitches remain.
5. *K2, YO, K1, K3tog*, repeat. 45 (50, 55, 60, 70, 80) stitches remain.
7. *K2, YO, K3tog*, repeat. 36 (40, 44, 48, 56, 64) stitches remain.
8. *K2, K2tog*, repeat. 27 (30, 33, 36, 42, 48) stitches remain.
9. *K1, K2tog*, repeat. 18 (20, 22, 24, 28, 32) stitches remain.
10. *K2tog*, repeat. 9 (10, 11, 12, 14, 16) stitches remain.

Sizes 12m and larger:
11. *K2tog*, repeat. 9 (10, 11, 6, 7, 8) stitches remain.

Break yarn and pull through remaining stitches. Draw closed, and weave in all ends.