teeny tiny zion lion hat

intermediate pattern by Wool and the Gang

Tool kit: 1 ball of WATG's Wool Me Tender, 1 set of 5mm (US8) double pointed knitting needles, 1 knitter's sewing needle.

knitting

- 1. Cast on 24 stitches. Split your stitches evenly over 3 needles
- 2. Work 3 rounds in 1x1 rib stitch
- 3. Work 8 rounds in stocking stitch (knit every round)
- 4. Decrease round: *Knit 4 stitches, knit 2 stitches together* repeat the section between the stars a further 3 times. (20 stitches.)
- 5. Knit 1 round
- 6. Decrease round: *Knit 3 stitches, knit 2 stitches together* repeat the section between the stars a further 3 times. (16 stitches.)
- 7. Knit 1 round
- 8. Decrease round: *Knit 2 stitches, knit 2 stitches together* repeat the section between the stars a further 3 times. (12 stitches.)
- 9. Cut the yarn, leaving a 20 cm (8") tail. Thread your sewing needle with this, and insert the needle and yarn through each of the stitches on your knitting needle. Now remove the knitting needle, and pull on the yarn tail to close up the top of your hat

adding the pom pom

- 1. Hold your index and middle finger together and stick them out.
- Take a piece of yarn and wrap it around your fingers approx.
 20-25 times or until your think its enough to form a good pom.
- 3. Take another piece of yarn and, if you can, thread it between your two fingers, around the wrapped yarn and tie in a tight knot to hold the bundle together. If you can't get the yarn between your fingers, carefully remove the wrapped yarn from your fingers and tie your new piece of yarn around it here.
- 4. Once the bundle of yarn is secured, cut through the folded ends of the yarn to release the fluffiness.
- 5. Squish the newly formed pom until it is in a good shape and then trim around to neaten, leaving two strands of yarn long enough to tie into your tiny hat.
- 6. Thread the two longer strands through the top of your hat using the sewing needle. Tie on the inside of the hat and weave in any loose ends.

Abbreviations K2tog - Knit 2 stitches together K1 - Knit 1 stitch K2 - Knit 2 stitches Rep - repeat instructions in * until end of round



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