Diamonds Are Forever Knitted Hat

Size 6(US)/4.00mm needles, 13" long

1 skein worsted weight Lily Sugar and Cream all cotton yarn (3 oz) – buy 2 if variegated (they tend to be 2.5oz – one skein seems to not complete a full hat lately)

Yarn needle for sewing seam

Cast on 99 stitches.



Definitions:

K - Knit

P - Purl

C3B - Cable 3 back – slip the next stitch onto a cable needle and hold in the back of work, knit 2, knit stitch from cable needle

C3F - Cable 3 front – slip the next 2 stitches onto a cable needle and hold in the front of work, knit 1, knit stitches from cable needle

C5F - Cable 5 front – slip the next 3 stitches onto a cable needle and hold in the front of work, knit 2, knit stitches from cable needle

Row 1: Knit across.

Row 2: Purl across.

Row 3: K4, C3B, P1, C3F, *K7, C3B, P1, C3F; Repeat from * to last 4 stitches, K4.

Row 4: P7, K1, *P13, K1; Repeat from * to last 7 stitches, P7.

Row 5: K3, C3B, P1, K1, P1, C3F, *K5, C3B, P1, K1, P1, C3F; repeat from * to last 3 stitches, K3.

Row 6: P6, K1, P1, K1, *P11, K1, P1, K1; Repeat from * to last 6 stitches, P6.

Row 7: K2, C3B, P1,[K1, P1]twice, C3F, *K3, C3B, P1, [K1, P1]twice, C3F; Repeat from * to last 2 stitches, K2.

Row 8: P5, K1, [P1, K1]twice *P9, K1, [P1, K1]twice; Repeat from * to last 5 stitches, P5.

Row 9: K1, *C3B, P1, [K1, P1]3 times, C3F, K1; Repeat from * to end.

Row 10: P4, K1, [P1, K1]3 times *P7, K1, [P1, K1]3 times; Repeat from * to last 4 stitches, P4.

Row 11: K3, P1, [K1, P1]4 times, *C5F, P1, [K1, P1]4 times; Repeat from * to last 3 stitches, K3.

Row 12: P3, K1, [P1, K1]4 times, *P5, K1, [P1, K1]4 times; Repeat from * to last 3 stitches, P3.

Row 13: K1, *C3F, P1, [K1, P1]3 times, C3B, K1; Repeat from * to end.

Row 14: Repeat row 10

Row 15: K2, C3F, P1, [K1, P1]twice, C3B, *K3, C3F, P1, [K1, P1]twice, C3B; Repeat from * to last 2 stitches, K2.

Row 16: Repeat row 8.

Row 17: K3, C3F, P1, K1, P1, C3B, *K5, C3F, P1, K1, P1, C3B; Repeat from * to last 3 stitches, K3.

Row 18: Repeat row 6.

Row 19: K4, C3F, P1, C3B, *K7, C3F, P1, C3B; Repeat from * to last 4 stitches, K4.

Row 20: Repeat row 4.

Row 21: K5, C5F, *K9, C5B; Repeat from * to last 5 stitches, K5.

Rows 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32: Purl across.

Rows 23, 25, 27, 29, 31: Knit across.

Row 33: Knit 10 stitches, Knit 2 stitches together, repeat across the row. (this will decrease the stitch count by 8 to 91 stitches).

Row 34: Purl across

Row 35:Knit 9 stitches, knit 2 stitches together, -repeat across row (83 sts).

Row 36: Purl row.

Row 37: Knit 8, Knit 2 together across (75 sts).

Row 38: Purl row.

Row 39: Knit 7, Knit 2 together across row (67 sts).

Row 40: Purl row.

Row 41: Knit 6, knit 2 together across row (59 sts).

Row 42: Purl row.

Row 43: Knit 5, Knit 2 together across row (51 sts).

Row 44: Purl row.

Row 45: Knit 4, Knit 2 together across row (43 sts).

Row 46: Purl row.

Row 47: Knit 3, Knit 2 together across row (35 sts).

Row 48: Purl row.

Row 49: Knit 2, knit 2 together across row (27 sts).

Row 50: Purl row.

Row 51: Knit 2 together across row (18 sts).

Row 52: Purl row.

Row 53: Knit 2 together across row (9 sts).

Row 52: Purl 2 together across row.

When 8 or fewer stitches remain - cut yarn ~12 inches from hat. With a yarn needle thread remaining stitches through the needle. Turn hat inside out and overhand stitch side seam together. Weave in any loose ends.

