 **Purls of Joy**

Basic Beanie for our troops (& everyone else)

Materials: 219 yards of Worsted weight 100% wool

 (will make two helmet liners)

Colors: black, grey, brown, olive green, khaki - heathers are OK

Needles: size 7 circulars 16” and DPN’s

Tapestry needle, stitch marker, row counter if you want

**Pattern:**

Cast on 80 sts. (use long tail or your favorite). Join, being careful not to twist.

Knit in K2 P2 ribbing for 1 ½ inches.

Knit in stockinette stitch for 4 inches (5 inches if for normal wear).

Stockinette stitch in the round is just knitting every row.

Begin decrease rounds as follows:

 \*K6, K2tog\*, repeat from \* to \* around. 70 sts.

 Knit 5 rounds in stockinette.

 \*K5, K2tog\*, repeat from \* to \* around. 60 sts.

 Knit 4 rounds in stockinette.

 \*K4, K2tog\*, repeat around. 50 sts.

 Knit 3 rounds in stockinette.

 \*K3, K2tog\*, repeat around. 40 sts.

 Change to DPN’s.

 \*K2, K2tog\*, repeat around 30 sts.

 \*K1, K2tog\*, repeat around 20 sts.

 K2tog, repeat around 10 sts.

Cut yarn and draw through remaining stitches to close top of hat.

 Tie securely and weave in ends!

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