



Yarn:

3x10g (50m per 10g) J C Rennie 4ply Miniballs in Black (main colour), 10g each of four background colours (shown here with A - Spice, B - Carnation, C -Stonehenge and D - Azure). Yarns are held double throughout.

Notions:

3.25mm and 4mm 40cm circular needle plus longer needle for magic loop at crown (or your preferred needle for knitting in the round).

Finished size: To fit adult head approx.

22 inches

Tension: 20 sts per 10cm over stranded colourwork on larger needles after

blocking.

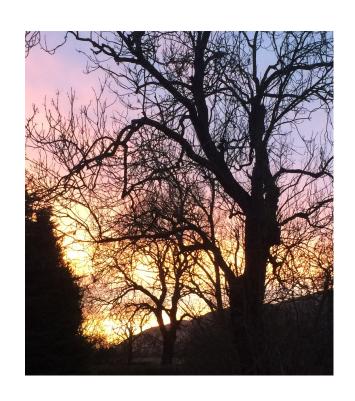
With smaller needles cast on 112 sts with 2 strands of main colour.

Round 1: [K2, P2] to end

Repeat round 1 ten times in total.

Knit one round in main colour, change to larger needles and join in first two contrasts – e.g. one strand of background A and one strand of background B.

Work from chart for 26 rounds. Chart is worked from right to left in every round and from bottom to top. Change one strand of background colour after 12 rounds. From rounds 13-24 work with one strand of B and one strand of C. For rounds 25-36 work with one strand of C and one strand of D. After round 37 work with two strands of D.



After round 26 of the chart work the crown decreases as follows:

Rounds 27-28: Break off main (black) colour and work with background colour only for two rounds without decreases.

Round 29: [K12, K2tog] 8 times (104 sts)

Round 30-31: Knit

Round 32: [K11, K2tog] 8 times (96 sts)

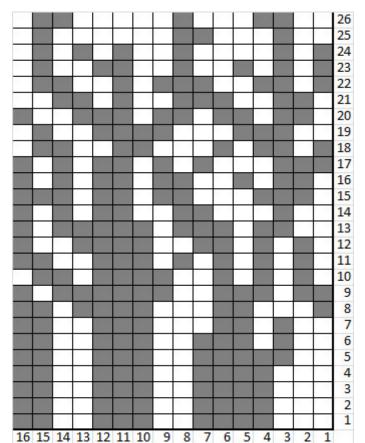
Round 33: Knit

Round 34: [K10, K2tog] 8 times (88 sts)

Round 35: Knit

Round 36: [K9, K2tog] 8 times (80 sts) Round 37: Change to two strands of

background D: Knit



Round 38: [K8, K2tog] 8 times (72 sts) Round 39: [K7, K2tog] 8 times (64 sts) Round 40: [K6, K2tog] 8 times (56 sts) Round 41: [K5, K2tog] 8 times (48 sts) Round 42: [K4, K2tog] 8 times (40 sts) Round 43: [K3, K2tog] 8 times (32 sts) Round 44: [K2, K2tog] 8 times (24 sts)

Round 45: [K1, K2tog] 8 times (16 sts)

Round 46: [K2tog] 8 times (8 sts)

Break off two threads of final colour and thread these both through the remaining 8 sts. Pull tight and weave in ends.

Wash and block.

Abbreviations

Sts - Stitches

K - Knit

P - Purl

K2tog - Knit two together

Tip: when working with two strands you can avoid ends to weave in by holding three strands together for a few stitches when joining in a new strand



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