## Men's Basic Beanie



You will require: 2 x 50-gram balls of Drops Snow

6 mm needles, either DPN's or 40 cm circular (You will need either DPN's or a longer circular to knit the top)

To fit average sized head (for a large head add 4 more stitches or use 6.5mm needles)

NOTE: The hat is knitted to a very tight gauge (14-15 stitches/10cms)

Cast on 72 stitches, join in the round being careful not to twist. Purl one round. Begin ribbing knit 1, purl 1 for 8 rounds.

Change to stockinette stitch (knit every round) until work measures 17 cms (6 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches) from cast on edge. On last round, place markers every 18 stitches.

Start decreasing by knitting to two stitches before marker, knit 2 together through back of loop. Repeat three more times to end of round. 4 stitches decreased. Repeat decreases every round until you have 10 stitches left on the needle. Leaving a 6 inch tail, cut yarn and thread through the stitches, pull tight and finish off on the wrong side.

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