



# MIDNIGHT KNITTER

## LEO THE LION HAT

This beanie has some stylized sections of fair-isle.

**difficulty:** advanced beginner

**size:** to fit child to adult small

### MATERIALS

Aurora 8 - Karabella

1 ball each of the following colors

MC: color 22

CC1: color 190

CC2: color 26

**needles:** US 7 double pointed (set of 4)  
(or size to obtain gauge)

**gauge:** 5.5 sts per 1"

### abbreviations:

k = knit

k2tog = knit two together

sts = stitches

### INSTRUCTIONS

Work entire hat in stockinette stitch (knit every round)  
With MC and US 7 needles, cast on 80 stitches, divide between 3 needles, join.

rounds 1 thru 8: using MC, k all sts

rounds 9 thru 12: using CC1, k all sts

rounds 13 thru 15: using CC2, k all sts

round 16: k all sts, follow Chart A

rounds 17 thru 19: using MC, k all sts

rounds 20 thru 27: using CC1, k all sts

round 28: k all sts, follow Chart B

rounds 29 thru 33: using CC2, k all sts

rounds 34 thru 37: using MC, k all sts

round 38: k all sts, follow Chart C

rounds 39 thru 41: using CC1, k all sts

round 42: using MC, k all sts

Using MC work decreases as follows:

round 43: \*k6, k2tog. repeat from \* around

round 44: k all sts

round 45: \*k5, k2tog. repeat from \* around

round 46: k all sts

round 47: \*k4, k2tog. repeat from \* around

round 48: k all sts

round 49: \*k3, k2tog. repeat from \* around



round 50: k all sts

round 51: \*k2, k2tog. repeat from \* around

round 52: k all sts

round 53: \*k1, k2tog. repeat from \* around

round 54: k all sts

round 55: \*k2tog. repeat from \* around

Cut yarn and pull through remaining stitches to close.

### SEW RIM OF HAT

Fold the first 4 rounds over to the inside of the hat. (you can lightly press the seam with an iron before sewing or pin the edge in place)

With MC, whip stitch thru cast on row and the blue horizontal strand inside the hat, each stitch around.

Note on fair isle charts: It doesn't matter which color you start with as long as you work one stitch with each color, knit loose so that these rounds will stretch with the rest of the hat.

**Chart A**      ☒ = MC  
 ☐ = CC2

**Chart B**      ☒ = CC2  
 ☐ = CC1

**Chart C**      ☒ = MC  
 ☐ = CC1