Béret Fleur

One size, adult: 57/60 cm of hat size.

Material :

3 skeins of 100% alpaca Artesano 4ply : 1 Cocoa, 2 Wholemeal.

Circular needles 3.5mm with a cable of 60cm, circular needles 5mm on removable cable of 60cm or more.

2 stitch markers.

Something to block the work: kit of blocking or pins.

1 ornamental button or a sequin.

Points and abbreviations:

The beret knits in stocking stitch , thus all the rows and all the stitches by following the magic loop , unless otherwise specified.

inc : increase.

dec : decrease, knit 2 together.

k: knit.

Yo: Yarn over.

Ribs 1/1: *knit1, purl1* repeat on all the rows till the end of each.

Picot point: this technic is clearly explain there. I made certain modifications as I specify directly in the concerned row.

Gauge, in stocking stitch, with needles 5mm and double threads: 19 stitches/21 rows.

Color 1: Wholemeal.

Color 2: Cocoa.

Work:

Body of the beret :

This part is made on needles 5mm, by knitting in double thread.

Note: you can knit a simple beret, by making only the body of the beret, without ruffles.

Increases :

With color 1, cast on 72 stitches, insert a marker of stitch to realize the beginning of your circle, and make 9 rounds of ribs 1/1.

Round 1: *k8, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 81 stitches).

Rounds 2, 4,5,7 ,8,10,11,13,14,16 ,17,19,20,21 : knit.

Round 3: *k9, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 90 stitches).

Round 6: *k10, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 99 stitches).

Round 9: *k11, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 108 stitches).

Round 12: *k12, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 117 stitches).

Round 15: *k13, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 126 stitches).

Round 18: *k14, Inc1*, repeat from*to* (= 135 stitches).

Decreases :

Round 22: *k13, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 126 stitches).

Rounds 23, 24, 26, 27: knit.

Round 25: *k12, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 117 stitches).

Round 28: *k11, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 108 stitches).

Round 29: knit. **At the end of the round, begin the ruffle 1.**

Rounds 30, 32, 33: knit.

Round 31: *k10, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 99 stitches).

Round 34: *k9, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 90 stitches). **At the end of the round, begin the ruffle 2.**

Rounds 35, 36,38 : knit.

Round 37: *k8, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 81 stitches).

Round 39: *k7, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 72 stitches). **At the end of the round, begin the ruffle 3.**

Rounds 40 and 42: knit.

Round 41: *k6, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 63 stitches).

Round 43: *k5, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 54 stitches).

Round 44: knit. **At the end of the round, begin the ruffle 4.**

Round 45: *k4, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 45 stitches).

Rounds 46 and 48: knit.

Round 47: *k3, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 36 stitches).

Round 49: *k2, dec1*, repeat from*to* (= 27 stitches). **At the end of the round, begin the ruffle 5.**

Round 50: knit, cut the thread and fix the top of the beret.

Ruffles :

Knit with only 1 thread, and needles 3.5mm.

Advises: to knit ruffles, remove needles 5mm from the removable cable and replace them by corks, put your balls of color 1 inside the beret, it will facilitate the resumption in needles 5mm after the realization of the ruffle.

Ruffle 1 :

Round 1 : with the color 2, knit the 108 stitches, put a stitch marker, and close the circle with the round 2.

Round 2: knit all the stitches twice: once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk.(216 stitches).

Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10,11 : knit.

Round 7: *k1, knit 1 twice once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk *, repeat from*to* (324 stitches).

Round 12: *k1, put it back on the left needle, create 2 stitches, and bind off 5 stitches. Take the last stitch and put it on the left needle*, repeat until all the stitches are binded off in picot.

Cut the thread, take back the body of the beret at the round 30.

Ruffle 2 :

Round 1 : with the color 1, knit the 90 stitches, put a stitch marker, and close the circle with the round 2.

Round 2: knit all the stitches twice: once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk.(180 stitches).

Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10: knit.

Round 7: *k1, knit 1 twice once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk *, repeat from*to* (270 stitches).

Round 11: *k9, YO2 *, repeat from*to*.

Round 12 : bind off.

Cut the thread, take back the body of the beret at the round 35.

Ruffle 3 :

Round 1 : with the color 2, knit the 72 stitches, put a stitch marker, and close the circle with the round 2.

Round 2: knit all the stitches twice: once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk.(144 stitches).

Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10,11 : knit.

Round 7: *k1, knit 1 twice once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk *, repeat from*to* (216 stitches).

Round 12: *k1, put it back on the left needle, create 3 stitches, and bind off 21 stitches. Take the last stitch and put it on the left needle*, repeat until all the stitches are binded off in picot.

Cut the thread, take back the body of the beret at the round 40.

Ruffle 4 :

Round 1 : with the color 1, knit the 54 stitches, put a stitch marker, and close the circle with the round 2.

Round 2: knit all the stitches twice: once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk.(108 stitches).

Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9,11 : knit.

Round 7: *k1, knit 1 twice once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk *, repeat from*to* (162 stitches).

Round 10 :*k18, Yo2 *, repeat from *to*.

Round 12: bind off.

Cut the thread, take back the body of the beret at the round 45.

Ruffle 5 :

Round 1 : with the color 2, knit the 27 stitches, put a stitch marker, and close the circle with the round 2.

Round 2: knit all the stitches twice: once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk. (54stitches).

Rounds 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10,11 : knit.

Round 7: *k1, knit 1 twice once a the stalk before, once a the back stalk *, repeat from*to* (81 stitches).

Round 12: *k1, put it back on the left needle, create 3 stitches, and bind off 12 stitches. Take the last stitch and put it on the left needle*, repeat until all the stitches are binded off in picot.

Cut the thread, take back the body of the beret at the round 50.

Finishes:

Bring in the threads, sew the button to the center. Wash and block (see the tuto of the blocking).

Then sew:
- The edges of the ruffle 5 with the ruffle 4,
- The edges of the ruffle 4 with the ruffle 3,
- The edges of the ruffle 3 with the ruffle 2,
- The edges of the ruffle 2 with the ruffle 1,
- The edges of the ruffle 1 with the body of the beret.
This phase of sewing is essential for the good behaviour of the flower .
And finally: wear!