



Santa hat

designed by Kirstie McLeod

Loopy
and
sparkly!

YOU WILL NEED

YARN AND NEEDLES
King Cole, Galaxy
Chunky (56% acrylic,
42% wool, 2% payette,
50g/71m)

1 ball each of:

Yarn A Saturn (684),

Yarn B Red (686)

A pair 5mm knitting
needles

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TENSION

18 sts and 23 rows to
measure 10x10cm
(4x4in) over st st using
5mm needles

The loopy cuff and pom-pom on Kirstie's Santa is so much fun and the sequins add festive sparkle – they're in the yarn, saving you lots of sewing. The loopy stitch is easy – have a go!

Start knitting here...

CUFF

Cast on 20 sts using 5mm needles and yarn A.

Row 1 (WS) Knit.

Row 2 (RS) K1, * K1 - (keeping the st on the left-hand needle, bring yarn to the front, wrap yarn round left thumb to form a loop, take the yarn back, knit the st on the left-hand needle again, yo right-hand needle and then pass the 2 sts back over the yo), K1; rep from * to last st, K1.

Row 3 (WS) Knit.

Row 4 (RS) K1, *K1, K1 - (keeping the st on the left hand needle, bring yarn to the front, wrap yarn round left thumb to form a loop, take the yarn back, knit the st on the left-hand needle again, yo right-hand needle and then pass the 2 sts back over the yo); rep from * to last st, K1.

Rep these 4 rows until knitting meas 55cm ending with a row 1 or 3.

Cast off.

HAT

With the RS of the cuff facing, using 5mm needles and yarn B, pick up and K46 sts evenly along the side edge of the cuff.

Row 1 (WS) Pfb into every st. [92 sts]

Row 2 Knit.

Row 3 Purl.

Cont in st st until 7 rows worked, ending with a P row.

Next row *K21, k2tog; rep from * to end of row. [88 sts]
Starting with a P row, st st 3 rows.

Next row *K20, k2tog; rep from * to end of row. [84 sts]
Starting with a P row, st st 3 rows.

Cont to decrease in this fashion until 56 sts remain.

Next row (WS) Purl

Next row K12, k2tog; rep from * to end of the row. [52 sts]

Rep these 2 rows until 4 sts rem.

POM-POM

Change to yarn A.

Row 1 (WS) Knit.

Row 2 and every alt row

(RS) As row 2 of the cuff.

Row 3 (WS) Kfb into each st. [8 sts]

Row 5 As Row 3. [16 sts]

Row 7 K1, kfb; rep from * to end of row. [24 sts]

Row 9 Knit.

Row 11 K1, k2tog; rep from * to end of row. [16 sts]

Row 13 K2tog, to end of row. [8 sts]

Row 15 As Row 13. [4 sts]

Cast off.

MAKING UP

With RS facing and starting at cuff, sew along the seam using a matching thread. When you reach the pom-pom turn the right way out, stuff with a little of the leftover yarn A and sew the seam closed. Fold over the cuff and slip stitch the sides together. Weave in all loose ends. 🧶

