Getting Started
This hat is designed as a first project on double pointed needles. The hat uses two colors, one for the ample ribbing and one for the crown. Both colors are used to create the four-strand I-cord knot at the top. As a basic hat design, this is a great project to experiment with adding color or texture patterns. Make one for everyone on your holiday gift list!

Finished Size
To fit a 18 “ (20”, 22”) head (46cm, 51cm, 56cm)

Yarn (All Sizes)

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<td>A</td>
<td>Ribbing</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>Crown</td>
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Needles
Size 9 (5.5 mm): double pointed needles. Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Notions
Markers; tapestry needle

Gauge
18 sts and 24 rows = 4” (10cm) in stockinette stitch

Pattern Stitches
2x2 Rib Stitch (Multiple of 4 sts)
Every row: “k2, p2; repeat from * for entire round
4 st I-cord (on double pointed needles)
Row 1: k4; without turning work, slide stitches to the other end of the needle.
Row 2: Pull yarn snug across back and repeat row 1.
Continue until cord is the length desired

Abbreviations
BO Bind Off
CO Cast On
dec Decrease
K Knit
inc Increase
M Make a stitch
P Purl
patt Pattern
rep Repeat
RS Right Side
st(s) Stitch(es)
tog Together
WS Wrong Side

Diagram 1

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Hat

**Cast On:** Using Yarn A, CO 80 (88, 96) sts. Divide evenly (20, 22, 24 sts) onto four double pointed needles. Join without twisting and mark the beginning of the round.

**Ribbing:** Contining in Yarn A, work in 2x2 rib for 4” (10cm) stopping at the end of a round.

**Crown:** Break Yarn A. Join Yarn B and work in stockinette for 4”. Continuing with Yarn B, K2tog at the beginning of each needle (4 per round) for 16 (18, 20) rounds. When decreases are completed, there will be 4 sts per needle (16 sts total).

Top Knot

**First I-cord:** Working on only one needle, cont with Yarn B and work the 4 st I-cord for 6”. Bind-off all 4 sts.

**Second I-cord:** Working on only one needle, join Yarn A and work the 4 st I-cord for 6”. Bind-off all 4 sts.

**Third I-cord:** Working on only one needle, join Yarn B and work the 4 st I-cord for 6”. Bind-off all 4 sts.

**Fourth I-cord:** Working on only one needle, join Yarn A and work the 4 st I-cord for 6”. Bind-off all 4 sts.

Finishing

Weave in ends at all cast-on, bind-off and color joins. Fold up ribbing at approximately 3”. Loosely tie I-cords into a top knot. Use your imagination for a look that will be uniquely yours. Block if necessary.