## **Sideways Hats**



These hats are quick to knit and require no hand finishing. The crown is shaped for a nice fit and the lower edge simply rolls up. The purl side is the right side. The hats can be knit in one colour or several and look good in sock yarns as well.

Standard gauge samples were knit with Yeoman Cashmilon, 36 g total. The gauge was 7 sts x 11 R per inch (2.75 x 4.3 per cm) with a finished size of 19 x 7" plus rolled edge (48 x 18 cm). On my Singer 700 the main tension was 6 but on my Brother 940 it was T7.

LK150 mid-gauge samples were knit with Paton's Astra, 49 g total. The gauge was  $4.8 \text{ sts } \times 7.6 \text{ R}$  per inch (2 x 3 per cm) at T4 for a finished size of  $20 \times 7.5$ " plus rolled edge (51 x 19 cm). Instructions are in brackets.

To alter the sizes, add or subtract a full wedge and/or alter the stitches on the hem side.

- on a standard machine cast on over L14-R54 (68 sts) with waste yarn and ravel cord
- on the LK cast on over L10-R35 (45 sts) with waste yarn and ravel cord
- COR, RC000, knit 2 rows
- ~set carriage to hold
- \*pull 1 st on left to hold position and knit 2 rows\*
- repeat \* to \* for a total of 14 (10) times; RC030 (022), 1 wedge knit
- COR, RC000, set carriage to knit and knit 2 rows over all~
- repeat ~ to ~ for the next wedge and continue until 7 wedges are finished but knit only 1 row after the last one so COL
- pull the needles to UWP with sts on the shafts, pick up the sts of the first row into the hooks; pull the sts in the hooks through the sts on the shafts
- knit 1 row to the right
- backstitch bind off; the bind off should be worked to the left so the tail of yarn can be used to tighten the hole at the top
- use the beginning tail to stitch the seam flat for .5" (1.5 cm) so the seam will lie flat on the roll



For the striped hat, knit the first 3 rows of the first wedge in a contrast colour (the tails will be at the crown so they can be knotted into a tassel); use CC for the first 2 rows of the other wedges, cutting the CC in between. For a larger tassel, cut both yarns when changing.

#Before knitting the 1 last row over all the stitches, change to the colour to match the beginning rows then knit the 1 row to the left. Pick up the first row, knit the stitches through manually, then change back to the main colour to knit the final row and work the backstitch bind off.

For the three colour hat, 8 wedges were knit with white being used for every other wedge. Cast on was on L12-R56 and each wedge was shortrowed 1 st every 2 rows 12 times to RC026. The colours were changed at the crown/left side after the first knit row of each wedge so on RC002, except the first one. The colours were carried up and allowed to pull tight. See # above for how to complete the hat using the first wedge colour.

