Winter Luxe Hat by Laura Keiken

# EXPERIENCE LEVEL Beginner

Holding a DK weight yarn together with a lace weight silk/ mohair blend yarn gives this winter topper a soft, cozy hand. The subtle mohair halo elevates a simple stitch pattern, while the faux fur pom pom completes the look.





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#### MATERIALS

1 skein Madelinetosh Tosh DK or 225 yards DK weight yarn 1 skein Shibui Silk Cloud, Rowan Kidsilk Haze or 225 yards of laceweight silk/mohair blend (optional)

US 7 16" circular needle (or size needed to obtain gauge)

US 7 double pointed needles (or size needed to obtain gauge)

Ring Stitch Marker Tapestry needle

Sample Yarn Colour

Grey version: Madelinetosh Tosh DK in Smokestack held together with Rowan Kidsilk Haze in Steel, Wool & Co. Arctic Fox pom pom

Burgundy version: Madelinetosh Tosh DK Tsin Tsin Pepper held together with Shibui Silk Cloud Bordeaux, Wool & Co. Black Wolf pom pom

GAUGE 16 stitches x 24 rows in 4″

## FINISHED SIZE

One size (fits most adult head sizes) Finished length of hat is 7 ½ inches. Please see notes in Winter Luxe Pattern Section if a longer hat is desired.

TECHNIQUES Knitting in the round Working with double point needles

SET-UP Cast on 90 stitches. Join into the round being careful not to twist. Place beginning of round stitch marker.

Row 1: Knit 1, Purl 1 Rib

Repeat Row 1 for 3 1/2 inches

Next Row: K2tog, Knit 43, K2tog, Knit to end of Row (2 stitches decreased, 88 stitches)

## BEGIN WINTER LUXE PATTERN

\*If you prefer a deeper hat or a slouchy version, knit additional Winter Luxe Pattern repeats to your desired length keeping in mind the decrease rounds are few and this affects the overall length of the hat.

Row 1: P1, K1\* repeat to end of row Row 2: K1, P1, K1, P1, K3, P1\* repeat to end of row Row 3: P1, K1, P1, K5\* repeat to end of row Row 4: K1, P1, K6\* repeat to the of row Row 5: Repeat Row 3 Row 6: Repeat Row 2

Repeat Winter Luxe Pattern 4 times and then knit Rows 1-5K, once more.

## HAT DECREASES

\*\*\*Switch to double pointed needles when necessary

Row 1: K1, P1, K1, P1, CDD, P1\* repeat to end of row Row 2: P1, K1\* repeat to end of row Row 3: K1, P1, K1, P3tog\* repeat to end of row Row 4: P1, K1\* repeat to end of row Row 5: K1, P3tog\* repeat to end of row Row 6: P1, K1\* repeat to end of row

Row 7: P3tog around to last stitch, P1

## FINISHING

Cut yarn leaving a 12 inch tail, using a tapestry needle, weave tail through live stitches and pull tight to close up top of hat.

Weave in ends.

Block hat, then top with pom pom and enjoy!

Notes K: Knit

P: Purl

K2tog: Knit 2 stitches together

CDD Center Double Decrease: slip 2 stitches knit wise, knit 1, pass slipped stitches over stitch just knit

P3tog: Purl 3 stitches together

