



SLOUCHY BASIC BEANIE: Rowan *Softyak* DK Version

If you need a slouchy hat for those in-between seasons, this is it! Cotton, soft downy yak, and a bit of nylon creates a soft and springy hat that's cool to wear, spring or fall.

- Finished Size:** *Adult Medium (Adult Large):* Approx. 18 (20)"/46 (51)cm around x 9½"/24cm deep.
Note: Hat will stretch to fit head 2–4"/5–10cm larger than finished circumference. To adjust size, cast on a multiple of 5 sts.
- Yarn:** 2 skeins Rowan *Softyak* DK (148 yds/135m each).
Or approx. 296 yds/270m of an equivalent DK-weight yarn.
- Needles & Notions:** US 7 (4.5mm) 16"/40cm circular and double-point needles, or size to obtain gauge.
US 6 (4mm) 16"/40cm circular needle, or one size smaller than gauge needle.
5 stitch markers, 1 in a contrast color. Darning needle to finish.
- Gauge:** Approx. 22 sts = 4"/10cm in stockinette stitch, after blocking.
- Glossary:** **K** = knit; **K2Tog** = knit two stitches together; **St(s)** = stitch(es).
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Instructions given for Adult Medium size; Adult Large in parentheses ().

- Cast-on:** With smaller needle, cast on 100 (110) sts. Place contrast-color marker and join in the round, being careful not to twist.
Knit every round, slipping marker, until work measures 1"/2.5cm from cast-on edge.
Change to larger needle and knit every round until work measures approx. 7½"/19cm from cast-on edge; on last round place 4 more markers every 20 (22) sts.
- Decrease rounds:** *Note: Change to double-point needles when necessary.*
Round 1: *Knit to 2 sts before marker, K2Tog*; repeat between * * to end of round.
[5 sts decreased]
Round 2: Knit.
Repeat Round 1 only (decreasing every round) until 5 sts remain.
- Finishing:** Break yarn, leaving an 8"/20cm tail. With darning needle, thread tail through all 5 sts, one at a time. Draw up tightly.
Weave in ends on wrong side. Wet or steam block gently, as desired.

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