AUSTRALIAN
SUPERFINE
MERINO
by Cleckheaton

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WHAT YOU'LL NEED

MEASUREMENTS

		Small	Medium	Large
To Fit Head	cm	54	56	58

MATERIALS

CLECKHEATON SUPERFINE MERINO 8 PLY 65g balls

	Small	Medium	Large
1st Colour (**C1**)	1	1	1
2nd Colour (**C2**)	1	1	1

Use only the yarn specified. Other yarns are likely to produce different results. Quantities are approximate as they can vary between knitters.

NEEDLES AND EXTRAS

- 1 pair each 3.75mm (UK 9) and 4.00mm (UK 8) knitting needles or size needed to give correct tension.
- wool needle for sewing seam.
- pom pom maker or piece of cardboard.

TENSION

22 sts and 30 rows to 10cm over stocking st, using 4.00mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

cont = continue; **K** = knit; **P** = purl; **psso** = pass slipped stitch over; **rep** = repeat; **sl** = slip; **sts** = stitches; **stocking st** = knit right side rows, purl wrong side rows; **tbl** = through back of loop; **tog** = together.

BEANIE

Using 3.75mm needles and **C1**, cast on **106** (110-**114**) sts.
1st row – K2, * P2, K2, rep from * to end.
2nd row – P2, * K2, P2, rep from * to end.
Last 2 rows form rib.
Work a further **25** (29-**29**) rows rib.
Change to 4.00mm needles and work 4 rows stocking st, beg with a knit row.
Using **C2** for remainder, cont in stocking st until Beanie measures **19** (22-**24**) cm from beginning, ending with a purl row and decreasing **4** (0-**4**) sts evenly in this row ... **102** (110-**110**) sts.

SHAPE CROWN –

Sizes M and L only –
1st row – K12, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K22, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K12 ... 102 sts.
Work 3 rows.
All sizes ... 102 sts.
Next row – K11, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K20, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K11 ... 94 sts.
Work 3 rows.
Next row – K10, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K18, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K10 ... 86 sts.
Work 3 rows.
Next row – K9, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K16, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K9 ... 78 sts.
Purl 1 row.
Next row – K8, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K14, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K8 ... 70 sts.
Purl 1 row.
Next row – K7, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K12, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K7 ... 62 sts.
Purl 1 row.
Next row – K6, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K10, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K6 ... 54 sts.
Next row – P5, P2tog, (P1, P2tog tbl, P8, P2tog) 3 times, P1, P2tog tbl, P5 ... 46 sts.
Next row – K4, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K6, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K4 ... 38 sts.
Next row – P3, P2tog, (P1, P2tog tbl, P4, P2tog) 3 times, P1, P2tog tbl, P3 ... 30 sts.
Next row – K2, sl 1, K1, psso, (K1, K2tog, K2, sl 1, K1, psso) 3 times, K1, K2tog, K2 ... 22 sts.
Next row – P1, P2tog, (P1, P2tog tbl, P2tog) 3 times, P1, P2tog tbl, P1 ... 14 sts.
Break off yarn, thread end through remaining sts, draw up tightly and fasten off securely.

TO MAKE UP

Join side edges to form back seam, reversing seam for rib (turn back brim). Using remaining **C1**, make a large pom pom and attach securely to crown.