

#297 Louise's Nature Hat

designed by Kathy Elkins



Finished Size:

Approx. 19" around x 8" tall

Materials:

Valley Yarns Valley Superwash DK (100% Extrafine Superwash Merino, 137yds / 50g) 1 sk each of:

MC: color 03 Black

CC1: color 11 Spring Leaf

CC2: color 14 Teal

CC3: color 19 Misty Lilac

Size E (3.5mm) crochet hook

US size 6 (4.0mm) double pointed or circular needle or size needed to get gauge

Knit Gauge:

24 sts and 32 rows = 4" in Stockinette st

Abbreviations:

ch: chain

dc: double crochet

k: knit

k2tog: knit 2 together

pm: place marker

rep: repeat

rnd: round

sc: single crochet

sl st: slip stitch

sp: space

sts: remain

Granny Square Brim:

Square 1 (make 3):

With CC1, ch4 and join with a sl st to form ring.

Rnd 1: With CC1, ch3 (counts as first dc), [2dc, ch1] into center, *[3dc, ch1] into center; rep from * twice more, sl st into top of ch3, cut yarn and fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join CC2 to any ch1 sp, ch3 (counts as first dc), [2dc, ch1, 3dc, ch1] into same sp, *[3dc, ch1] twice into next ch1 sp; rep from * twice more, sl st into top of ch3, cut yarn and fasten off.

Rnd 3: Join CC3 to any ch1 corner sp, ch3 (counts as first dc), [2dc, ch1, 3dc, ch1] into same sp, *[3dc, ch1] into next ch1 sp, [3dc, ch1] twice into corner ch1 sp; rep from * twice more, sl st into top of ch3, cut yarn and fasten off.

Square 2 (make 2):

With CC2, ch4 and join with a sl st to form ring.

Rnd 1: With CC2, as Rnd 1 of Square 1.

Rnd 2: With CC3, as Rnd 2 of Square 1.

Rnd 3: With CC1, as Rnd 3 of Square 1.

Square 3 (make 2):

With CC3, ch4 and join with a sl st to form ring.

Rnd 1: With CC3, as Rnd 1 of Square 1.

Rnd 2: With CC1, as Rnd 2 of Square 1.

Rnd 3: With CC2, as Rnd 3 of Square 1.

Sew or crochet squares together in a strip and block, then join in a ring to form brim.

Crown:

With MC and crochet hook, sc112 evenly around one edge of brim. With circular or double pointed needles, pick up and knit 1 st in each sc. Join in round.

Knit every round until hat measures 5" from lower edge of granny square brim, or 3" less than desired length.

Crown shaping:

Rnd 1: *K14, pm, rep from *. 8 markers placed.

Rnd 2: *K to 2 sts before marker, k2tog; rep from *. 104 sts.

Rnd 3: Knit.

Rep Rnds 2-3 until 8 sts remain. Cut yarn and draw through remaining sts. Pull yarn tight and weave in any loose ends.