



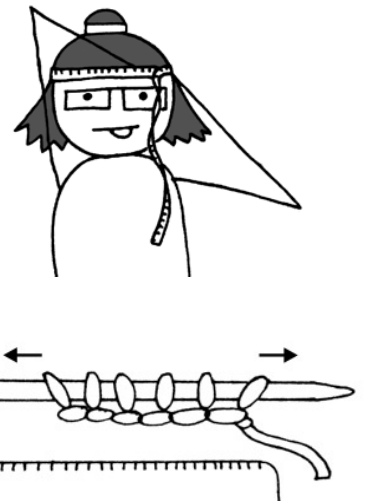
This super easy Santa hat pattern is actually a set of instructions that work for any size hat on any size needles with any size wool. If you use chunky yarn and big needles you can be done surprisingly quickly.

### You will need:

- matching red and white yarn (e.g. both cable weight) • card (or pompom maker)  
knitting needles (of a suitable size for the yarn) • tapestry needle • scissors

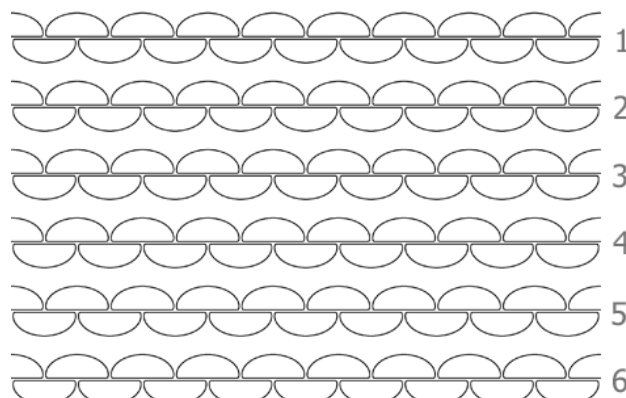
### Instructions (Trim):

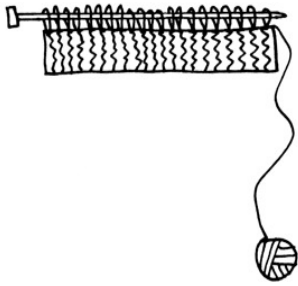
- Measure the circumference of the thing you want the hat to fit. This might be your head, a friend's head, a cuddly toy, a shampoo bottle... I don't know your life. Write down the circumference for later.
- Cast on stitches in white until they measure about one sixth of the circumference when stretched out along the needle. It is not at all necessary to be accurate here. When you fold over the trim of the hat you'll be able to control how much of the white knitting you see. Just guess how many stitches you'll need. Stretch them out and measure. Drop a couple/ knit a few more if you like. Done.
- Knit every row until the fabric is the same length as the circumference you wrote down. If in doubt wrap your knitting around the thing to check it fits. When it does, cast off.



### Instructions (Hat):

- Garter stitch (aka knit-every-row stitch) is made up of ridges that look like this...





- What we're aiming for in this step is to get as many red stitches on the needles as there are ridges on a single side of the white trim. You can either count the ridges and cast on that number in red, or, if you're like me and HATE SEWING UP, you can slip one loop from the end of each ridge onto a needle and knit it in red.
- The hat pattern is formed of four rows.

Row 1: k –

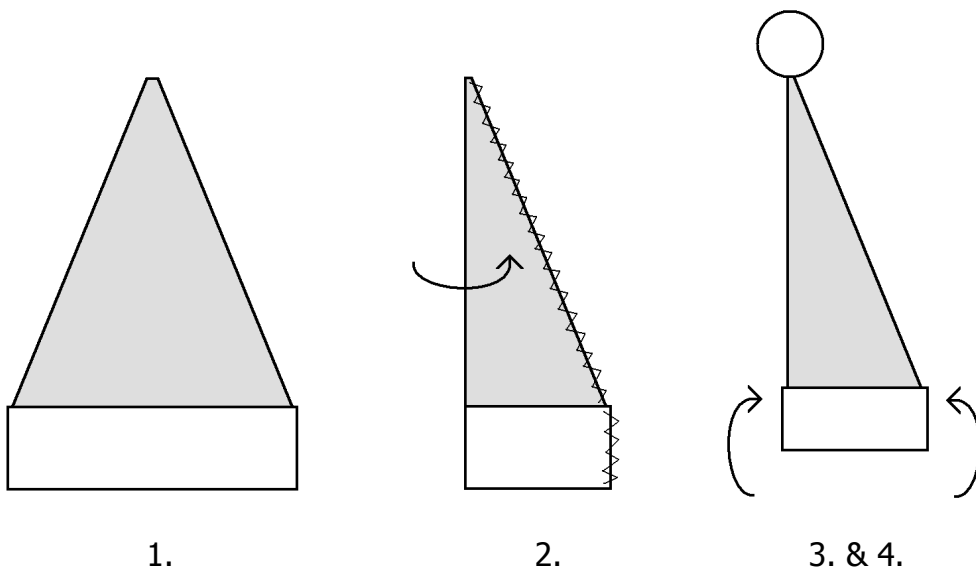
Row 2: k –

Row 3: k2tog, k –

Row 4: k2tog, k –

- Repeat these rows until there are only five or six stitches remaining on the needles. Cast off.

### Making Up:



1. If you didn't pick up stitches at the start of the hat section you need to sew the bottom of the hat to the edge of the trim. If you did pick up stitches move straight to step 2.
2. Fold the hat in half along its length. Sew the red edges together with red and sew the white edges together with white.
3. Fold the edge of the trim up and over to cover the horizontal join.
4. Make a white pom-pom and attach it to the tip of the hat.
5. Sew in any remaining loose ends.
6. Congratulations, the hat is ready to wear. Make sure the seam is at the back where it will be well hidden by the folds of the hat.

### Notes:

#### Abbreviations

**k –**  
**k2tog**

Knit every stitch to the end of the row.  
Knit the next two stitches together (-1 stitch).