

EZ Bulky Stocking Hat

Yarn: Nordic (Worsted Weight) - about 4 oz.

Sizes: Youth (Adult)

Tension: 4 or 5

BR = Brother machines

SR = Silver Reed machines

RC = Row counter



Select every other needle to (BR – ‘E’, SR – ‘D’) position from 42 -0- 43 (45 -0- 46) ‘E’ position. Cast on starting from the left moving to the right. Thread the carriage. RC 000. Knit 1 row. Hang the cast on comb (if you have one). Pull the empty needles into work position ‘B’ position. Continue to knit to row 100.

Knit design or stripe to row 120.

Pick up the cast on edge and hang a hem on every other needle by picking up the loops formed on the cast on edge using a 1 prong tool. Make sure the loops are pushed back to the gate posts.

Knit 6 rows.

Transfer every other stitch by using a 1 prong tool – removing stitch 1 and replacing it on needle 2 (working from the left or right, it doesn’t matter). Continue across the hat until you only have every other needle with 2 stitches on it and the opposite needles are empty. Now put the empty needles out of work (‘A’).

Knit 2 rows.

Sew off all stitches. To do this, cut your yarn leaving enough length to sew the seam. Thread either your yarn needle or a double eye tool (hole on each end of the needle). Pull all the needles forward until the stitch is behind the latch. Either slide the needle under the stitch and pull so the stitch slides onto the yarn. Repeat until all stitches are caught.

Or you can use the double eye tool the same way or place the empty eye of the tool into the hook of the needle and push it back so the stitch slides onto the needle and pull through, so the stitch slides onto the yarn.

Draw up tight and secure. Sew the seam using the mattress stitch. This technique is illustrated in the machine manual. Continue seaming the top layer until you are completely around the hat. This puts the seam on the inside of the hat.

You can add a pompom or button or cords to the top but looks great just as it is.