HAT TRICK

Hats off to 3 adorable hats for kids! Check out the free patterns for a cute-as-canbe CAT, OWL AND FOX!

Animal Hats for Kids {CREATIVE INSPIRATIONS free FROM HOBBY LOBBY&}

FOX IT TO ME

With a button nose and eyes, this sly guy is full of texture and character. Use a loom knitter to make this adorable fox hat for your favorite kiddo.

ABBREVIATIONS

BO- Bind off CO- Cast on DEC- Decrease EWK- E-wrap knit stitch L- Left RND- Round RT- Right

SIZES

6-12 months, (12 months-3 years, and 3-10 years) given, respectively, in parentheses.

MATERIALS

- Baby Bee Sweet Delight: Apricot Jam (color A), wound into three equal balls.
- I Love This Yarn! Sportweight: White (color B)
- Medium 31 peg loom knitter (36 peg loom knitter, 36 peg loom knitter)
- Loom tool
- Yarn needle
- Black floss or thread
- Embroidery needle
- Scissors
- Straight pins (optional)
- Buttons for eyes and nose

HAT

With 3 strands of A, CO all pegs using e-wrap method. EWK 30 rnds (32 rnds, 34 rnds). BO, cut a 6" tail and pull through loop, tighten and weave in. Thread 24" of color A onto a yarn needle and whipstitch the top together by stitching under the V's.

EARS (Make 2)

With 2 strands of color B, CO 5 pegs using e-wrap method.

Row 1: EWK all pegs (5) Row 2: rt dec, EWK 3, L dec Row 3: EWK all pegs (3) Row 4: rt dec, L dec, EWK

Remove from loom, cut 6" tail and pull through loop, tighten and weave in ends.

LEFT CHEEK

With 2 strands of B, CO 8 pegs using e-wrap method

Row 1: EWK 8 Row 2: EWK 6, L dec Row 3: L dec, EWK 5 Row 4: EWK 4, L dec Row 5: L dec, EWK 3 Row 6: EWK 2, L dec Row 7: L dec, EWK 1 Row 8: L dec, EWK

Remove from loom, cut 6" tail and pull through loop, tighten and weave in ends.

RIGHT CHEEK

Using 2 strands of B CO 8 pegs using e-wrap method

Row 1: EWK 8 Row 2: rt dec, EWK 6 Row 3: EWK 5, rt dec Row 4: rt dec, EWK 4 Row 5: EWK3, rt dec Row 6: rt dec, EWK 2 Row 7: EWK 1, rt dec Row 8: rt dec, EWK

Remove from loom, cut 6" tail and pull through loop, tighten and weave in ends.

Using the photo as a guide, pin ears and cheeks into place. Thread 36" of color B onto yarn needle and stitch ears and cheeks to hat. Using embroidery needle and floss or thread, securely stitch buttons onto hat.

BY A WHISKER

Want to make your little darling's eyes sparkle? Stitch her up a cutie-patootie kitty hat with blingy rhinestone eyes.

SIZES

K- Knit P- Purl

(increase) SI-Slip

6-12 months. (12 months-3 years and 3-10 years) given, respectively, in parentheses. **ABBREVIATIONS** CO- Cast on 2 **KF&B-** Knit front and back of stitch K2TOG- Knit two stitches together (decrease) **RS-** Right side WS- Wrong side

MATERIALS

- Baby Bee Sweet Delight: Pooltime (color A), Gray (color B), Boo Pink (color D)
- I Love This Yarn Sport Weight: Black (color C)
- No. 9.5 / 5mm Circular Needle (16in)
- No. 9.5/ 5mm DPNs
- Rhinestone buttons (2)

GAUGE: 14 sts + 20 Rows = 4" in stockinette **NOTE:** Two strands are held together throughtout

EARFLAPS

Make 2 earflaps using DPNs. Cut yarn ends and set aside (do not bind off), leave stitches on DPN.

Holding 2 strands of A together, CO 2 **Row 1-** KF&B, K1 (3 sts) **Row 2** (and all WS, even numbered rows)- Knit **Row 3-** KF&B, KF&B, K1 (5 sts) **Row 5-** KF&B, K2, KF&B, K1 (7 sts) **Row 7-** KF&B, K4, KF&B, K1 (7 sts) **Row 9-** KF&B, K4, KF&B, K1 (9 sts) **Row 11-** KF&B, K6, KF&B, K1 (11 sts) **Row 11-** KF&B, K8, KF&B, K1 (15 sts) **Row 15-** Knit across and cut yarn

JOIN EARFLAPS TO HAT:

Using Circular Needle, CO 5, (9, 11) With right side facing, knit stitches from earflap one. Using backward loop cast on, CO 9 (17, 21). With right side facing, knit stitches from earflap two. CO 4, (8, 10) (using backward loop cast on method). Join in the round and place stitch marker. (48, 64, 72 sts)



BODY OF HAT

Round 1: Knit (48, 64, 72 sts) Round 2: SI first stitch, Knit around Round 3: Purl Round 4: Knit

Repeat Round 4 29 times or until body of hat measures 6" (6.5", 7") (48, 64, 72 sts)

Round 34: K2TOG (switching to DPNs when necessary) (24, 32, 36 sts) Round 35: Knit Round 36: K2TOG around, K1 (12, 16, 18) Round 37: Knit Round 39: K2TOG (6, 8, 9)

Cut yarn leaving 10" tail and thread through remaining stitches to close up top of hat. Weave in ends.

EARS

Make 2 triangles in color A and 2 in color B.

Holding 2 strands together, CO 2

Row 1- KF&B, K1 (3 sts) Row 2- (and all WS, even numbered rows)- Knit (knit all WS rows) Row 3- KF&B, KF&B, K1 (5 sts) Row 5- KF&B, K2, KF&B, K1 (7 sts) Row 7- KF&B, K4, KF&B, K1 (9 sts) Row 9- Knit across Bind off sts. Cut yarn and weave in ends.

FINISHING

Attaching ears:

With yarn needle, whipstitch 2 triangles together (using one in color A and one in color B). Stitch ears onto

top of hat, making sure they are equal distance from top of hat. Face: Using yarn needle and Duplicate Stitch, follow diagram to complete cat face on front of hat. Stitch on buttons for eves. Braided Tassels: Cut eight 26" long strands each of Color A and Color B. Double the strands and pull the loop through the bottom of earflap. Secure by pulling yarn ends through the loop (Lark's head knot). Divide the strands into 3 sections and braid until tassel reaches 7". Knot and trim ends to desired length. Repeat on remaining earflap.

OWL PLAY

Word to the wise: this clever fellow earns major style points. And the best part? His neutral color scheme and kooky-cool features make him great for a boy or a girl.

SIZES

6-12 months, (12 months-3 years, and 3-10 years) given, respectively, in parentheses.

ABBREVIATIONS

CH: Chain SC: Single Crochet SL: Slip ST: Stitch DC: Double crochet REP: Repeat SC DEC: Single crochet decrease





MATERIALS

- Yarn Bee Baby Bee Sweet Delight: Palace Blue (color A), Gray (color B), Lime Green (color C), Aspen Gold (color D)
- I Love This Yarn! Sport Weight: White (color E), Black (color F)
- Hook- H-5.00mm

GAUGE: 14 dc and 8 rows = 4" x 4"

NOTES:

- Two strands of yarn are held together throughout.
- Each round is joined with a sl st to the first st of the round, not the ch st.
- Ch st does not count in the stitch count.
- Numbers in parentheses at the end of each row/round indicate the number of stitches completed for that row/round.

BODY OF HAT

Round 1: With color A- ch 2, 10 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join. (10, 10, 10 sts) Round 2: ch 2, 2 dc in each st around, join. (20, 20, 20 sts) **Round 3:** ch 2, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) rep from (to) around, join. (30, 30, 30 sts) Round 4: ch 2, (2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts) rep from (to) around, join. (40, 40, 40 sts) Round 5: ch 2, (2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts) rep from (to) around, join. (50, 50, 50 sts) Round 6: For size 6-12 mo: Ch 2, 2 dc in next 5 sts, (2 dc in next st, dc in next 9 sts) rep from (to) 3 more times, dc in last 5 sts, join. (54 sts) For size 12 mo-3yrs and 3-10 yrs: Ch 2 (2 dc in next st, dc in next 4 sts) rep from (to) around, join, (60 sts) Round 7: For size 6-12 mo and 12 mo-3yrs: Ch 2, dc in each st around, join. (54, 60 sts) - For size 3-10 yrs: Ch 2 (2 dc in next st, dc in next 9 st) rep from (to) around, join. (66 sts) Round 8-15: All sizes: Ch 2, dc in each st around, join. (54, 60, 66 sts) Round 16: For size 6-12 mo: Fasten off color A, change to color B. ch 1, sc in each st around, join (54 sts) - For sizes 12 mo-3 yrs and 3-10 yrs: ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (60, 66 sts) Round 17: For size 6-12 mo: Change to color C, ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (54 sts) - For size 12 mo-3 yrs: fasten off color A, change to color B.

Ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (60 sts) - For size 3-10 yrs: ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (66 sts)

Round 18: For sizes 6-12 mo and 12 mo-3yrs : Change to color B (C), ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (54, 60 sts) - For size 3-10 yrs: fasten off color A, change to color B. Ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (66 sts) Round 19: All sizes: Change to color C (B, C), ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (54, 60, 66 sts)

Round 20: For size 6-12 mo: Change to color B, ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (54 sts), Fasten off, weave in ends. - For sizes 12 mo-3 yrs and 3-10 yrs: Change to color C (B), ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (60, 66 sts)

Round 21: For size 12 mo-3 yrs: Change to color B, ch 1, sc in each st around, join, fasten off and weave in ends. (60 sts) - For size 3-10 yrs: Change to color C, ch 1, sc in each st around, join. (66 sts) Round 22: For size 3-10 yrs: Change to color B, ch 1, sc in each st around, join, fasten off and weave in ends. (66 sts)

FIRST EAR FLAP: Count over 8 (9, 10) sts from the last join of the previous row. Join in next st with color C.

Row 1: ch 1, sc in next 10 (12, 12) st, turn. (10, 12, 12 sts) **Row 2:** Rep row 1. 10 (12, 12 sts) Row 3: ch 1 sc dec, sc in next 6 (8, 8) sts, sc dec, turn. (8, 10, 10 sts) **Row 4:** ch 1, sc in next 8 (10, 10) sts, turn. (8, 10, 10 sts) Row 5: ch 1, sc dec, sc in next 4 (6, 6) sts, sc dec, turn. (4, 8, 8 sts) Row 6: ch 1, sc in next 6 (8, 8) sts, turn. (6, 8, 8 sts) Row 7: For size 6-12 mo: Ch 1, sc dec 3 times over the next 6 st. turn. (3 sts) - For sizes 12 mo-3 yrs and 3-10 yrs: Ch 1, sc dec, sc in next 4 st. sc dec. turn. (6 sts) Row 8: For size 6-12 mo: Ch I. sc in next 3 st. fasten off and weave in

ends. (3 sts) - For size 12 mo-3 yrs and 3-10 yrs: Ch 1, sc in next 6 st, turn. (6. 6 sts) Row 9: All sizes: ch 1. sc dec 3 times over next 6 sts, turn. (3, 3 sts) Row 10: All sizes: ch 1, sc in next 3 st, fasten off and weave in ends. (3. 3 sts)

SECOND EARFLAP: Count over to the right 18 (20, 22) st from the join of round 21, join in the next st with color C. Rep rows 1-10, fasten off and weave in ends.

EDGING: With color C, join at last join of round 20 (21, 22) and sc evenly around last round and earflaps. Be sure to work 2 sc in corners of earflaps for shaping. Join with sl st to 1st sc of round. Fasten off and weave in ends.



BEAK

WITH COLOR D: Row 1: ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn (1) Row 2: ch 1, 2sc in st, turn. (2) Row 3: ch 1, sc in each st, turn. (2) Row 4: ch 1, sc in each st, turn. (2)

EDGING: sc evenly around entire beak. Be sure to work 3 sc in corners for shaping. Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew beak to center front of bottom edge of hat.

EYES

OUTER EYE (WITH COLOR E):

Round 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join, (6)
Round 2: ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, join. (12)
Round 3: ch 1, (2 sc in next st, sc in next st), rep around, join. (18)
Round 4: ch 1, (2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts), rep around, join. (24)
Round 5: ch 1, (2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts), rep around, join. (30)
Round 6: ch 1, (2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts), rep around, join, (36)
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

PUPIL: With color F, rep rounds 1 and 2 of outer eye. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew pupil to outer eye as desired, sew eyes to hat.

EARS (All sizes)

Using a pom pom maker and as many colors as desired, make 2 pom poms and sew to top of hat evenly spaced apart.

