# TWISTED RIB 'SLOUCHY' CAP

### **Materials:**

Needles: Circular 16" needles, sizes 6 & 7 OR

7 & 8, depending on gauge of yarn selected. Double point needles, sizes 6 & 7 *OR* 7 & 8

Yarn: 200-250 yards of any yarn from the Knots of Love's

approved list of yarns.

Tapestry needle

Marker

Abbreviations: CO = cast on

K= knit

DPN's = double pointed needles K2tog = knit 2 stitches together

# **Instructions:**

FOR MEN: CO 80 stitches with smaller size circular needles. (Lg)
FOR WOMEN: CO 72 stitches with smaller size circular needles. (Med)
(Norwegian or Long-Tail CO work best to give stretch.)

#### 1 x 1 Rib Pattern

Work in twisted rib (\*Knit 1 through the back of the stitch, Purl 1\*) until rib measures 11/4".

## Cap Pattern:

Switch to larger size circular needles.

Knit every round until the cap measures 8 1/2" from the cast-on edge.

# Decrease:

This gradual decrease will add an additional 1 1/2" to the height of the cap. Switch to DPN's when stitches no longer fit on circular needles.

Row 1: K6, K2tog, repeat to end of row.

Row 2 and all even rows: Knit around.

Row 3: K5, K2tog, repeat to end of row.

Row 5: K4, K2tog, repeat to end of row.

**Row 7:** K3, K2tog, repeat to end of row.

Row 9: K2, K2tog, repeat to end of row.

Row 11: K1, K2tog, repeat to end of row.

Row 13: K2tog, repeat to end of row.

Cut yarn to a 10" tail. Thread tail into tapestry needle; run the needle through remaining stitches twice. Pull tight and using the needle, pull the tail to the inside of the cap. Weave in loose ends neatly, following the weave pattern on the inside of the cap. Trim end to 1/4". If you've added stripes, be sure that all ends are neatly and securely woven in on the wrong side of the cap.





This contemporary pattern works well for men or women by adjusting the size. The twisted rib stitch creates a well-defined rib pattern.

This slouchy cap needs to be about 10" tall, and be able to drape slightly at the back of the head.

Be creative – try using your favorite stitch patterns, and just extend the length. Incorporate stripes and interesting colors!



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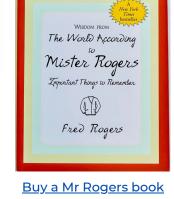
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