
FRINGE ASSOCIATION

Laurus

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In three sizes and two heights — slouchy (top left) and fitted (bottom left) — Laurus is a simple, stylish, unisex beanie with a striped brim and moderate amount of colorwork.

DIMENSIONS

18 3/4 (20, 21 1/4)" / 47.5 (51, 54) cm circumference at brim
7" / 18 cm in length from brim to crown (fitted)
8.5" / 21.5 cm in length from brim to crown (slouchy)
Both samples shown in 20" / 51 cm size

GAUGE

18 sts and 24 rnds = 4" / 10 cm in St st on Size A needle

YARN

Worsted-weight yarn in two contrasting colors—

Fitted version, approximately:

90 (100, 105) yds / 80 (90, 95) meters main color (MC)
16 (17, 18) yds / 15 (16, 17) meters contrasting color (CC)
Shown in Quince & Co. Lark in Marsh (MC) and Bird's Egg

Slouchy version, approximately:

110 (120 135) yds / 100 (110, 125) meters main color (MC)
16 (18, 20) yds / 15 (16, 16) meters contrasting color (CC)
Shown in Quince & Co. Lark in Bird's Egg (MC) and Marsh

NEEDLES

Size A:

16" / 40 cm circular needle in size needed to obtain gauge
1 set DPNs in size needed to obtain gauge
(Suggested size: US 8 / 5mm)

Size B:

16" / 40 cm circular needle two sizes smaller
(Suggested size: US 6 / 4mm)

NOTIONS

6 stitch markers, 1 unique to mark beginning of round
Tapestry needle for weaving in ends



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LAURUS (cont.)

With Size B needle and MC yarn, and using the long tail cast on, CO 84 (90, 96) stitches. Place marker for BOR and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist stitches.

2x1 Rib: *Knit 2, purl 1; repeat from * to end.

Work 2x1 Rib for 11 rounds, changing colors as indicated below. Join CC yarn at the beginning of Round 5 and break CC yarn after Round 7 (do not break MC yarn).

Rounds 1-4: MC yarn

Round 5: CC yarn

Round 6: MC yarn

Round 7: CC yarn

Rounds 8-11: MC yarn

After Round 11 of 2x1 Rib, change to Size A needle and work 3 rounds of stockinette (knit all stitches).

Begin colorwork

Join CC yarn and work rounds 1-7 of chart (right). After completion of chart, break CC yarn and work in stockinette in MC only until hat measures 5" / 12.5 cm (for the fitted version) or 6 1/2" / 16.5 cm (for the slouchy version) from CO edge.

Shape Crown

Decrease Set-up Round: Knit 14 (15, 16), *pm, knit 14 (15, 16); repeat from * to end.

Decrease Round: *K2tog, knit to 2 stitches before m, ssk; rep from * to end. (12 stitches decreased)

Next round: Knit all stitches.

Repeat these two rounds, changing to DPNs as necessary, until 12 (18, 12) stitches remain on needles. Remove all markers except BOR marker.

Next round: *K2tog; rep from * to end.

Break yarn, leaving a tail around 6" / 15 cm long. Using a tapestry needle, thread tail through remaining 6 (9, 6) loops, pulling tight to close hole.

Weave in ends and block.



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	■	■	■			6
■	■	■				5
			■	■	■	4
■	■	■				3
	■	■	■			2
		■	■	■		1
6	5	4	3	2	1	

- Main Color (MC)
■ Contrasting Color (CC)

ABBREVIATIONS

BOR	beginning of round
CC	contrasting color
CO	cast on
DPNs	double-pointed needles
k2tog	knit two stitches together
MC	main color
pm	place marker
rnd(s)	round(s)
ssk	slip 1 stitch knitwise, slip 1 stitch purlwise, transfer both stitches back to left-hand needle and knit them together through the back loops
St st	stockinette stitch
yd(s)	yard(s)