

# Learn To Knit

An Ashley's of Cirencester  
Original design



## Kitty Hat

Inspired by the book *Granny Magic* by Elka Evalds

A very easy design created to teach  
the craft of knitting

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Materials needed:

6mm needles

1 x 100g ball of Chunky yarn for hat

Black Double Knit yarn for facial features approx. 10 metres

Gold yarn or thread for eyes & decoration

Sewing up needle

Scissors

Tape measure

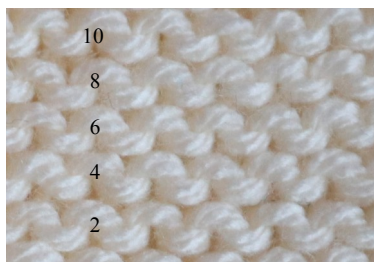
Pattern:

Cast on 30 stitches using thumb method cast on

Work all in Garter Stitch (also known as Knit Stitch) until piece measures 35cm. This will be about 100 rows!

Cast off nice and loosely

You count Garter Stitch rows like this: each wiggly line represents 2 rows, BUT, this is only if there are the same number of lines on both sides of the knitting. So, if there are 5 wiggly lines both sides (like on this photo) that makes 10 rows.



If there were 5 wiggly lines this side but only 4 wiggly lines on the other side of the knitting, only 9 rows would have been knitted.

To Make Up

Fold the knitting in half so that the cast on edge and the cast off edge meet. Thread a length of yarn the same colour as the hat. Knot the end. Sew up the sides of the hat, leaving the cast off edges open. This is the bottom of the hat where your head slips in! Knot the end of the yarn and weave into the knitting to get rid of it. Cut any remaining length off.

Cut a length of black yarn 1 metre long. Thread yarn through the needle. Knot the two ends together. You now have the needle at one end and the knotted threads at the other.

Ear Detail:

Starting 9 wiggly rows down from the top sew a line straight up towards the top, along the side edge. Then sew a line from that line towards the middle, about 7cm across, along the top edge. Next sew a diagonal line from the end of the last line to the start of the first. You have made a triangular ear shape! Knot the end of the yarn that is next to the knitting. Weave into the knitting on the inside of the hat to get rid of it. Cut any remaining yarn. Sew an ear in the same way on the other side of the hat to match. See photo for reference.

#### Eye Detail:

Thread yarn with black yarn as you did for the ear detail. Starting 7cm from the edge and 10cm from the top (about 11 stitches in and 15 wiggly lines down), sew a line 3 wiggles up. Then sew a line straight across towards the outside edge about 5 stitches long. Next sew a diagonal line from the end of the last one to the start of the first one. You've made another triangle. Fill in the shape by sewing lines straight up from the bottom of the triangular frame to the top, keeping inside the frame. Leave the outer corner of the frame clear if the hat is cream, or fill in with white if the hat is a different colour. Knot the end of the yarn that is next to the knitting. Weave into the knitting on the inside of the hat to get rid of it. Cut any remaining yarn. Thread the yarn wanted for the eye colour in the same way as before. Sew in a circle on top of the black. You may have to go over the circle twice to give a better definition to the eye. See photo for reference. Sew the other eye to match.

#### Nose Detail:

Thread black yarn as before. Starting 2 wiggly lines down from the bottom of the eyes, and 2 stitches in from the bottom corner of the left eye, sew a straight line across 3 stitches. Now sew a line diagonally down for 3 wiggly rows. Then a diagonal line back up to the start of the first line. You've made yet another triangle! Fill in the triangular nose in the same way as you did the eyes. See photo for reference. Don't cut yarn! Go straight on to the mouth detail....

#### Mouth Detail:

From the base tip of the nose, sew a straight line down ending 2 wiggly rows before the cast on edge. Next sew a diagonal line from here towards the eyes, about 3 rows up. Do the same on the other side. See photo for reference.

#### Whisker Detail:

Sew 3 diagonal lines outward towards the edge, starting in line with the base of the nose, half-way under the eyes. Knot the end of the yarn that is next to the knitting. Weave into the knitting on the inside of the hat to get rid of it. Cut any remaining yarn. Sew both sides the same. See photo for reference.

Add gold yarn anywhere you like! I added some on the inside of the ears. Finished! Yay!

