



To create an ombre effect you need to knit with two strands and combine strands of different colors to make the color transition more subtle.

### Materials

- Size 8 (5.0mm) Circular Knitting Needles
- 1 Skein of Dark Grey Peru Soft Yarn Wool ( 500 grams)
- 1 Skein of Light Grey Peru Soft Yarn Wool ( 500 grams)
- 1 Skein of White Peru Soft Yarn Wool (500 grams)

### Size

Hat diameter is 52 cm/20 in

Hat's height from edge to the pom pom is 21cm/8in

### Gauge

11 sts and 19 rows = 4×4 in or 10×10 cm in rib knit.

### Abbreviations

Y1 / Yarn 1 – dark grey

Y2 / Yarn 2 – light grey

Y3 / Yarn 3 – white

K – knit

P – purl

P2tog – purl two stitches together

K2tog – knit two stitches together

### Base of the hat

Take two strands of Yarn 1 and cast on 52 stitches. Join for knitting in the round. Place a stitch marker at the beginning of the row, if you like.

Knit 2×2 rib ( K2, P2) until the decrease description.

Rows 1 – 13: Use two strands of Y1

Rows 14 – 19: Take one strand of Y1 and one strand of Y2

Rows 20 – 25: Two strands of Y2

Rows 26 – 30: Use one strand of Y2 and one strand of Y3

### Decrease

I have tried to preserve the rib pattern even while making a decrease.

Rows 31: P2tog every 7th's and 8th's stitch. As a result you will have 46 stitches left on your needles

Row 32: Use two strands of Y3. K2, P2tog, then P2tog every 6th's and 7th's stitch. You end up with 39 stitches left

Row 33: Knit

Row 34: K2, P1, K2tog, from this point K2tog every 5th's and 6th's stitch. You have 33 stitches left on your needles.

Row 35: K2tog, then K2tog every 4th's and 5th's stitch. You end up with 26 stitches and 1×1 rib.

Row 36: Knit one row of 1×1 rib without making any decreases.

Row 37: K2tog until the end of row

Row 38: K2tog until the end of row. This will leave you with 7 stitches on your needles.

Cut yarn and thread the remaining tail through these stitches. Pull tight and weave in the end on the inside of the beanie.

Here is the scheme of how to change the strands of different color during the knitting process:



**Decorate**

I thought that a two color pom pom will make a great addition to the hat. So I made a big fluffy yarn pom pom from Yarn 1 and 3.

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