

## **Summer 2010 Mystery Hat and Mittens**

100 g (approximately 220 yards) worsted weight wool yarn in each of two colors. One or the other (but not both) can be variegated or both can be solids. Colors can be highly contrasting, or shades of the same color.

Double point needles to get a gauge of about 5 stitches and 7 rows per inch.

Optional: 16-inch circular needle in same size for working hat.

Instructions are written for conventional work “in the round. If you are comfortable working on two long circular needles or using “Magic loop”, the instructions can easily be converted.

### **Clue 1**

Decide which yarn will be “Color A” and which will be “Color B”.

Using Color A, cast on 100 stitches. Divide onto 3 or 4 double point needles or place all stitches on a 16-inch circular needle. Join, being careful not to twist stitches. Place a marker to mark beginning of round.

Work 28 rounds of K2, P2 ribbing.

Work one more round of ribbing, decreasing 4 stitches evenly spaced – 96 stitches remaining.

Still using Color A, knit 2 rounds even.

NOTE: If you are planning to “use up scraps”, choose a color of which you have at least 75 grams to be “Color A”. Your “Color B” can be any combination of partial skeins totaling 100-125 grams.