

Knit A Helping Hat

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In honour of Refugee Week we've teamed up with Knit Aid and Wool and the Gang to show you how to make a Helping Hat to donate to Knit Aid's regular clothing collections!

Knit Aid collect and distribute much-needed quality knitted and crocheted items to displaced people living cold and harsh conditions in camps all across Europe and the Middle East. Since 2015 they have extended distribution to Dunkirk, Paris, various locations in Greece, Italy, Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan and Syria.



Image: Knit Aid

Knit a Helping Hat to help keep displaced people warm in camps across Europe and the Middle East

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Materials:

- 100 grams of medium thickness quality wool in dark, gender neutral colours.

We've used Sugar Baby Alpaca from Wool and the Gang. You can get 25% off three balls with code **CRAFTCLUB**

- 6mm circular knitting needles
- Knitter's sewing needle

Tension:

10cm x 10cm = 16 stitches and 22 rows

Finished Size:

(From cast-on edge to top) 23cm wide x 26cm high

Instructions:

1. Cast on 70 stitches using the cable cast on method
2. Knit one row (right side).
3. Purl one row (wrong side).
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 until piece measures 22cm from the bottom edge, finishing on the wrong side. Now you will begin to decrease to shape the top of the hat.
5. *Knit 5, knit 2 together*. Repeat until end of row.
6. Purl one row.
7. *Knit 4, knit 2 together*. Repeat until end of row.
8. Purl one row.
9. *Knit 3, knit 2 together*. Repeat until end of row.
10. Purl one row.
11. *Knit 2, knit 2 together*. Repeat until end of row.
12. *Purl 2 together*. Repeat until end of row.
13. Cut yarn leaving a long 100cm tail of yarn. You will use this to finish the top and sew the sides together.
14. Thread the yarn onto the sewing needle and feed it through the stitches on the knitting needle. Remove the stitches from the knitting needle and pull tight to create the top of the hat.
16. With the remaining tail, sew the sides together, working on the wrong side. Weave in the ends.



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Check your Donations Fit Knit Aid's Requirements:

- Only use dark coloured yarn, preferably unisex.
- Knit Aid accept donations for all ages and sizes, also crochet items.
- Please use good quality yarn – the kind of knit you'd make for yourself or a loved one.
- Ensure all ends have been weaved in before sending.
- Ensure there is sufficient postage paid for your parcel when sending your donations.
- If you'd like to be notified of the safe delivery of your package, please leave a slip with your name and email address inside the package.



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Write a message of support:

If you are writing a message with your donation, please attach it to each knitted donation with some yarn (no safety pins).

You can write on any card, or download a Knit Aid postcard from their website at www.knitaid.org

To send your donations:

- Fill in the donations form on the Knit Aid website and include it with your package.
- Send your donations to
Knit Aid, C/O Big Yellow Self Storage,
Wyvern Estate Beverley Way, Beverley
Way, New Malden, KT3 4PH
by 2nd of July 2018.



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