



Cascade 220 Superwash
Blue Gradations Hat



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Boy's Blue Gradations Hat

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It's warm because it's made using two yarn strands all the time. And it's very stretchy, so it fits a broad range of sizes. It can be worn with cuff up or down. Its pattern is magical, as the stripes appear once worn!

The pattern takes advantage of yarn dominance and is knit by stranding with dominant color in the left hand and the other yarn in the right.

Size: Child/ Adult

8-1/4" tall, 20" around

Materials:

Wind a second ball of each color from the original skeins.

Color A: Cascade 220 "Superwash", #897, light blue

Color B: Cascade 220 "Superwash", # 896, medium blue

Color C: Cascade 220 "Superwash", #814, royal blue

Color D: Cascade 220 "Superwash", #813, dark navy blue

Two US # 8, 16" circular needles or double points

10 stitch markers

Yarn Combos: Lightest AA, AB, BB, BC, CC, to DD darkest

Dominance: Check the photo above and right.

Hold the dominant yarn in the left hand, carried "under".

Bottom = two dark =DD, then C is dominant, for 3 sections, then B is dominant at BB section, then B is dominant at BA section, Then AA is all light

Gauge: 11sts/2 inches stranded

Cast on 110 stitches with two strands of "D".

Rnd 1: Purl alternating the back strand over the front.

Rnds 2 – 6: Knit stranding, keeping the same yarn in the right hand (over) and the other in the left (under).

Switch one strand to C and keep one "D".

While holding the "C" strand in the left hand, or "under", knit 5 rounds.

Knit 5 rounds of the remaining color combos. See note above about dominance.

Begin decreasing at the beginning of the last combo (AA).

Set up to decrease by inserting 10 stitch markers every 11 stitches to make 10 sections.

Dec Rnd 1: *Knit to 2 sts before m, K2tog, sl m, repeat * to end

Rnd 2: Knit even

Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 twice; then repeat Rnd 1 until 5 sts rem.

Thread through 5 stitches, Weave in all the yarn ends

