## A knitted elf's hat

This elf's hat is knitted from Merino wool baby yarn.
You will need two 50 g balls of wool, length measurement 172 m.
Gauge when knitting with two strands of yarn together: 21 stitches x 30 rows with size 4 knitting needles = 10 x 10 cm.

Child's head circumference:

47 cm (49 cm) 51 cm (53 cm)

Length of the hat:

45 cm (47 cm) 49 cm (51 cm)

Number of stitches:

88 st (92 st) 96 st (100 st)

Knit the hat with two yarns together.

Cast the stitches onto No. 3.5 circular needles or sock knitting needles.

Knit 2 cm basic rib stitches; knit 1 stitch, purl 1 stitch.

Change to No. 4 knitting circular needles or sock knitting needles and knit 10 cm plain knitting in the round.

Attach a total of 4 markers with 22 st (23 st) 24 st (25 st) between each marker.

Knit 2 stitches together (k2tog) after each marker; i.e. decreasing with a total of 4 st in this round.

Knit 2 stitches together (k2tog) after each marker on every 5th round until 3 stitches remain.

Knit another 5 rounds and break the yarn. Draw the yarn through the remaining stitches and secure the yarn on the wrong side.

Make a tassel for the end of the elf's hat.

You may choose to knit the hat with a single thread.

Gauge when knitting with a single thread: 28 stitches  $\times$  40 rows with size 3 knitting needles =  $10 \times 10$  cm.

117 st (123 st) 128 st (134 st)

Knit as described above, basic rib stitches (knit 1 stitch, purl 1 stitch) on No. 2.5 circular needles or sock knitting needles and then No. 3 circular needles or sock knitting needles.

Abbreviations and symbols explanation:

cs = crochet stitch



