

# Nici Beason Knitting™



## Seed Stitch Hat

<b>Yarn</b>	about 125 (155, 185, 222) yards chunky yarn that gets 3 spi over St st
<b>Needle</b>	US #10½, <b>or size needed to obtain gauge</b>
<b>Gauge</b>	3¼ sts = 1"; 13 sts and 22 rows = 4x4" square over Seed St
<b>Sizes</b>	S (M, L, XL) <i>Measure around crown of head. S=19-20"(kid to teen, women's small), M=21-22"(average woman), L=23-24"(average man), XL=25-26".</i>

***For half-size head measurements (i.e. 20½"), work next size up (M). Remember: knitting hats is not perfect. If it does not fit the intended recipient, it will fit someone! ☺***

**NOTE: Hat is worked flat, seam is joined with Mattress Stitch at cast-on and bind-off ends.**

→ *Be sure to cast-on and bind-off evenly, or a bit loose. Do not cast-on or bind-off tightly!*

### **HAT**

Cast on 41 (43, 47, 47) sts and work in Seed st until piece measures 18½ (20½, 22½, 24½)" from cast on edge. Bind off all stitches knit-wise.

### **Finishing**

Using Mattress Stitch, begin seaming the cast-on and bind-off edges together, stopping at 3½" before end of seam to reverse seaming for brim if desired, finish seam. Cut a length of yarn about 18" long, and using yarn needle, thread this yarn in and out of stitches along one row at 2" below top edge of hat. Gather hat top together, pulling yarn very tightly to close top completely, tie off and weave in all ends.