

**Encore Mega
Santa Hat**



Approx. Finished Sizes: Teen/Adult (Child, Baby/toddler).

Materials:

Encore Mega: 1 – 100g ball White (shown in 208) and 1 - 100g ball Red (shown in 9601).

Gauge: 8 sts = 4" over st st.

Needles: 16" circular size US 15, double pointed needles size US 11

OR 13, one stitch marker.

With white, loosely cast on 40 (36, 32) sts. Place marker and join into the round. *(Purl 1 round. Knit 1 round) 4 (4, 3) times. Purl 1 round. There should be 5 (5, 4) garter ridges of white. Change to red and knit around until total length is 5.5 (5, 4)", ending at the marker.

Begin decreases, changing to double pointed needles when needed.



Decreases:

For middle size ONLY work this decrease round first:

*(K7, k2tog); repeat from * around: 32 sts.

For ALL sizes:

Rd 1: *(K6, k2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 2-4: Knit even.

Rd 5: *(K5, k2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 6-8: Knit even.

Rd 9: *(K4, k2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 10-12: Knit even.

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Rd 13: *(K3, k2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 14-15: Knit even.

Rd 16: *(K2, k2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 17-18: Knit even.

Rd 19: *(K1, k2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 20- 21: Knit even.

Rd 22: *(K2tog); repeat from * around.

Rd 23- 24: Knit even.

For small and medium sizes - stop here. Go to Finishing.

For largest size: continue as follows:

Rd 25: K2tog, k2tog, k1- 3 sts remain.

Finishing:

Cut yarn and thread through remaining sts. Pull up tight and anchor.

Make large pompom in white and attach to top of hat. Weave in all ends.

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ABBREVIATIONS: alt = alternate, bo = bind off, beg = begin(ing), CO = cast on, cont. = continue, dec = decrease, foll = following, inc = increase, meas = measures, patt = pattern, PU = pick up, RS= right side, rem = remain(ing), sl = slip, st(s) = stitch(es), tbl = through back loop, tog = together, WS = Wrong Side, yo = yarn over, dc = double crochet, sc = single crochet, lp = loop.