



# MONT BLANC

**Sizes:** 16 (18)" [40.5 (45.5)cm] circumference

**Materials:** Schachenmayr original Boston, 2 balls [50g] of #00002 natural. Schachenmayr original Boston Style, 1 ball [50g] of #00535 coco cabana color. US 10.5 [7mm], 16" [40cm] circular needle. US 11 [8mm], 16" [40cm] circular needle, and set of 5 double-pointed needles, or size to obtain gauge. Stitch marker. Tapestry needle.

**Rib Pattern:** (multiple of 2 stitches)

**Round 1:** \*Knit 1, purl 1; repeat from \* around. Repeat round 1 for the pattern.

**Basic Pattern:**

**Round 1:** With coco cabana color, purl.

**Round 2:** With natural, purl.

**Rounds 3 – 7:** With natural, knit.

Repeat rounds 1 – 7 for the pattern.

**Gauge:** 12 stitches and 18 rounds = 4" [10cm] in the basic pattern using US 11 [8mm] needles.

**Note:** This hat is worked in the round from the bottom up, beginning with the circular needles. Change to double-pointed needles when there are too few stitches to work comfortably on the circular needle.

## INSTRUCTIONS

With the US 10.5 [7mm] circular needle and natural, cast on 48 (54) stitches. Place marker for the beginning of the round, and join to work in rounds.

Begin the Rib Pattern and work until piece measures 2" [5cm]. Change to the US 11 [8mm] circular needle. Knit 4 rounds. Begin the Basic Pattern and work until piece measures 8¼" [21cm], ending with a round 6 of the pattern repeat.

## Shape top

Continue the Basic Pattern while shaping the top of the cap.

**Next (decrease) round:** \*Knit 6 (7), knit 2 together; repeat from \* around – 42 (48) stitches. Work 6 rounds even.

**Next (decrease) round:** \*Knit 5 (6), knit 2 together; repeat from \* around – 36 (42) stitches. Work 6 rounds even.

**Next (decrease) round:** \*Knit 2, knit 2 together; repeat from \* to the last 0 (2) stitches, knit 0 (2) – 27 (32) stitches. Continue working in stockinette stitch with natural only. Knit 3 rounds even.

**Next (decrease) round:** \*Knit 1, knit 2 together; repeat from \* to last 0 (2) stitches, knit 0 (2) – 18 (22) stitches.

**Next (decrease) round:** \*Knit 2 together; repeat from \* around – 9 (11) stitches. Cut yarn. Thread cut end through a tapestry needle and draw the yarn through the remaining stitches. Pull tight to gather the top of the hat. Fasten securely on the inside. Hat measures 12 (12)" [30.5 (30.5)cm] tall.

**Finishing:** Weave in the ends.