Ribbed Ski Mask

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front

back

face area [hole]

top of cap area

Size:

Ski mask fits most adults as it is stretchable and in rib format.

Materials Needed:

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- DPN needles 4.5mm [used for Cap]
- DPN needles 4.0 mm [used for Neck]
- 4.2mm G crochet hook [used for Cast On]
- Tapestry needle
- Ruler
- Yarn
- Worsted Weight yarn [Category 4] [Can use other 3 colors of choice]
    - Black solid color [Face color only]
    - Medium Blue solid = color 1
    - Dark Blue/Purple solid = color 2

Abbrev:

- K = knit
- P = purl
- BK = back knit [back loop of all stitches]
- Inc = increase
- Dec = decrease
- Con = cast on
- Coff = cast off
- K2tog = knit 2 loops together so there is one stitch

Instructions:

Note: When starting a new color, secure old color and new color together.

NECK: [use 4.0 mm DPN]

Con 84 using the crochet method in initial color. [Put 28 sts on each of 3 DPN needles. 3x28=84]

Skip Color Join Row for initial first row only.

Color Join Row: BK in all loops around in color change color. [Do so not tightly.]

Row 1: [K2,P2] in all loops without twisting cast on loops.

Row 2: [K2,P2] in pattern around.

Row 3-6: repeat row 2.

Continue Pattern until 6" is completed. End at completion of Row 6.

FACE OPENING AREA:

- **Put 38 loops on stitch holder for later use. [Start with 2 knit and end with 2 knit loops.]**
- **[Now have 46 stitches on 3 DPN.] Cut Yarn. Secure Ends**

ADDING ON NEW COLOR FOR CAP:

- In new color, BK on remaining loops on DPI needles, Con 38 using Crochet Method.

Start new color here for Cap using 4.5 mm DPN needles

- [Now have 84 stitches on 3 DPN.]

CAP AREA: [use 4.5 mm DPN]

Continue Pattern for total of 4" from start of face area on the 84 stitches just created.

CAP DECREASE AREA [top of cap] starting with 84 stitches on DPNs

- Change color using Change Color Row
- Row 1: dec 2 stitches in purls on each 28 stitches [There are 26 stitches now on each DPN.]

        _____X_____X_____ example

- Row 2: : Knit evenly around putting k in k and p in p.
- Row 3: dec in each 2 purl left on each DPN around. [In other words, there are now only 1 purl between each 2 knits on the row.]
- Row 4: Work k in k and p in purl evenly around row.
- Row 5: dec in each 2 k around and p in each p around. [There should now only be single k and single p around.[
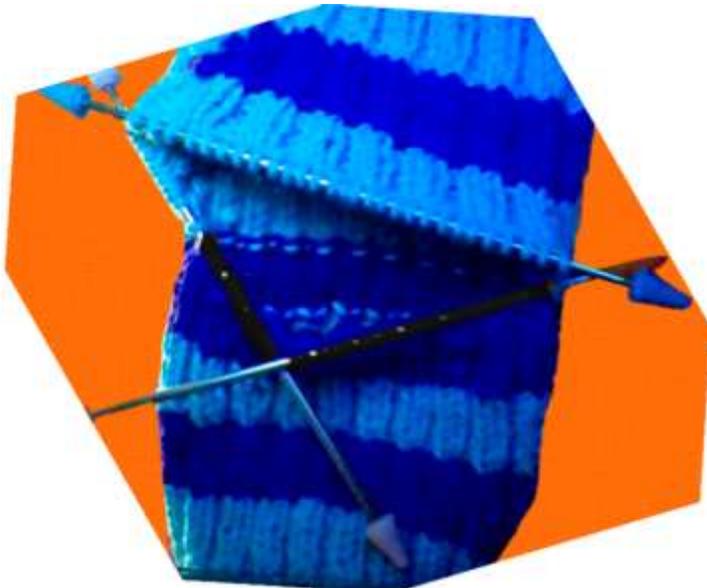- Row 6: Knit evenly around putting k in k and p in p.

COMPLETION OF CAP AREA [top of cap]

- Change color using Color Change Row.
- Row 1: k2tog around.
- Row 2: k evenly around.
- Row 3: k2tog around until there is 8 stitches left on needles.
- Cut yarn leaving a long 6" tail. **Thread tail into tapestry needle.** Weave yarn tail through all 8 loops removing the loops from the DPNs. **Tighten yarn tail loops tightly.** Secure tail end. Pull tail end to wrong side.

HIDE ALL ENDS

FACE AREA TRIM [Black or other color of choice] [use 4.0 mm DPN]

- Row 1: Put 38 loops on stitch holder on to DPN needles. Using Face Color, Pick 42 loops from Con edge of face. [Do so using front loops of Con edge.]   [80 loops on hooks]

- Using Face Color, BK in 38 stitches.

- Row 2: K2, P2 around even [80 sts]
- Row 3: K2,P2 around with decreases at corners of face area. [4 dec -- see below diagram] [76 sts]
- Row 4: K2,P2 around with decreases at corners of face area. [4 dec -- see below diagram] [72sts]
- Row 5: Coff **in Pattern** with 2 decreases at both corners of face area.   Secure tail and Hide ends. [4 dec -- see below diagram] [68 sts]
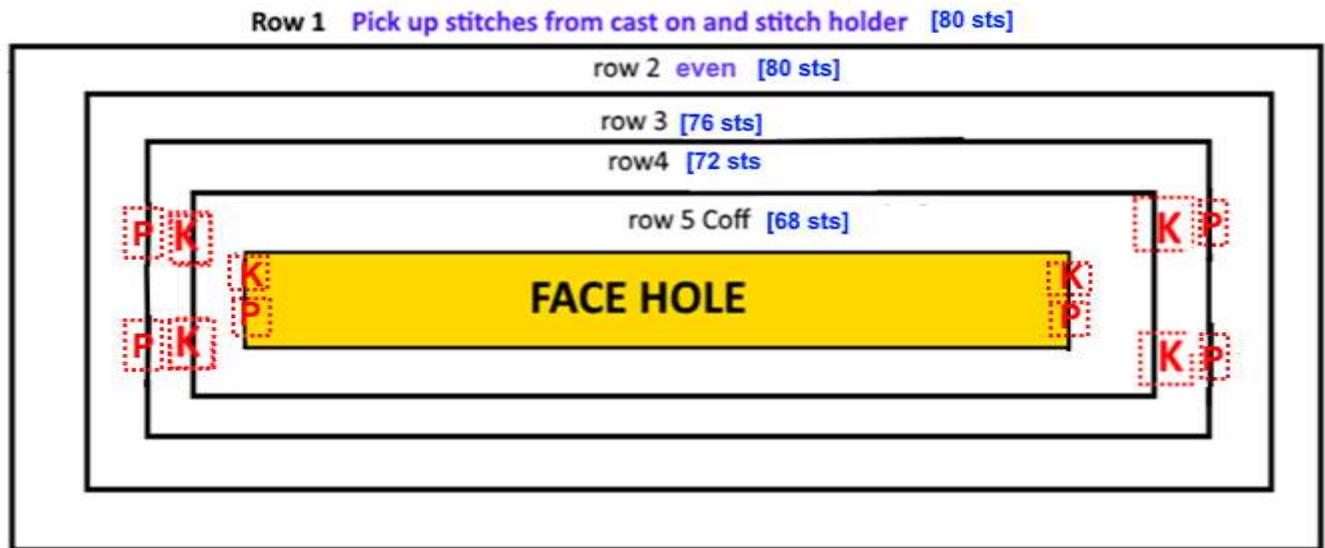
DIAGRAMS SECTION

Stretchy Ribbed Cast Off Method:
1. Knit first two loops [assuming that first two are knit stitches in the first place]. Pull the loop of the first knit loop over the top of the second knit loop removing the first knit loop from the needle.
2. Purl next loop [assuming that next stitch is a purl stitch]. Pull the previous loop over the purl loop removing the previous loop from the needle.
3. Purl the next loop [assuming that the next stitch is a purl stitch]. Pull the previous loop over the top of this loop removing previous loop from the needle.
4. Knit next loop [assuming it is a knit stitch]. Pull the previous loop over the purl loop removing the previous loop from the needls
Note: Basically, you are always pulling the previous loop over the just completed loop placed on the right needle until there is only one completed loop on your right needle. Cut yarn and pull tail through the loop on your right needle pull tight to form a secure ending. Hide all ends.

FACE OPENING TRIM DIAGRAM [DECREASE ON ENDS OF OPENING ONLY.]

Row 1 Pick up stitches from cast on and stitch holder [80 sts]

row 2 even [80 sts]

row 3 [76 sts]

row4 [72 sts

row 5 Coff [68 sts]

P K   K P

K
P   K
                                                                                        P

FACE HOLE

K
P   K
                                                                                        P

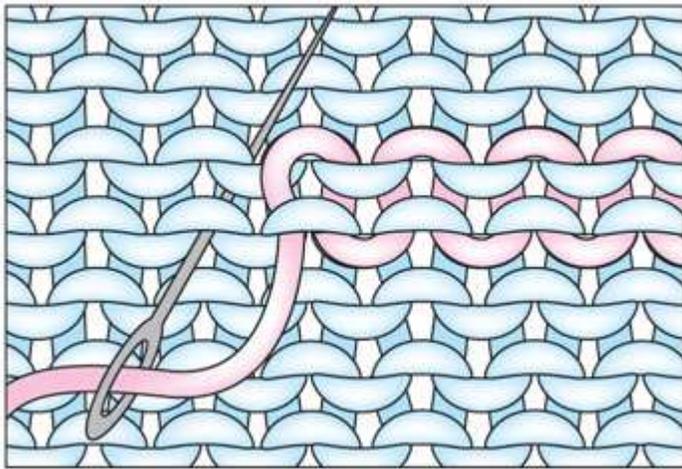P K   K P

[Note:] Basically doing decreases by

- purling two purls together on row 3 each end.
- Knitting two knits together twice on row 4 each end.
- Purl a Knit and Purl together twice on each corner on row 5 each end during Coff.

HIDING ENDS:

Rationale: **you** need to wash and **block** pieces **before you sew** up, and since—see below—a seam is my favorite place to **weave** in an **end**, **you** need to have seamed the garment. Also, if **you weave before** washing and **blocking**, and the fabric relaxes, it can result in a pucker or bunch in the fabric.

Thread a tapestry needle with the yarn tail, and run the yarn tail through the back loops of the stitches, working diagonally along the piece. Weave at least two inches in one direction and then another two inches in the other directions. Gently pull the fabric a bit to even the stitches out, and then cut off the end of the yarn tail.

<u>OR</u>