





Bearing the Kanji symbol for "Strength," this hat makes a bold statement. It is knit using intarsia in the round and the kanji is duplicate stitched in after the hat is bound off.

FINISHED SIZE: 21" circumference to fit 22" head

## **MATERIALS:**

-Cascade 220, 100% Peruvian Highland Wool, 100g (3.5oz)/220yd -COLOR A: Grey -COLOR B: Dark Navy -Size 7 (16") Circular Needle and Size 7 dpns -Tapestry Needle GAUGE: 5 sts= 1 inch

## **STITCHES AND ABBREVIATIONS USED:**

- K = knit
- P = purl
- K2tog = knit 2 sts together
- Pm = place marker

**DIFFICULTY:** Great first intarsia in the round project. Techniques used include: Knitting Intarsia in the Round, Reading a Chart, and Duplicate Stitching.



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KNITTING INTARSIA IN THE ROUND: There are a few different ways to knit intarsia in the round, however, the stripes in this hat complicate things slightly, so I recommend using the following method when knitting this hat:

For the striped rows:

1<sup>st</sup> row: Knit X amount of B stitches until you reach first A stitch Twist A and B Knit X amount of A stitches (from bobbin) until you reach next B stitch Twist A and B Drop A, go back to B and purl B all the way around until you reach A Twist A and B 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Purl Y amount of A sitches until you reach next B stitch Knit Y amount of B stitches until you reach marker at beginning

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rows: take a break from knitting intarsia in the round and knit A from ball all the way around.

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Wind a few yards of A into a center-pull bobbin and set aside.

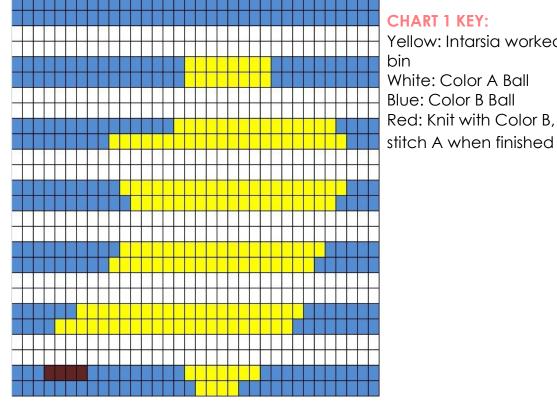
Using your favorite stretchy cast-on, CO 104 sts onto the circular needle using A. Join for knitting in the round, being careful not to twist.

Rows 1-8: \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to end.

Row 9 (chart row 1): Change to B, but do not cut A. Knit 35B, pm, follow Row 1 of Chart, pm, knit 35B

The section of 34 sts between the markers marks where the chart is worked.

Rows 10-35: Continue working stripes and intarsia in the round according to chart.



Yellow: Intarsia worked with A in bob-

Red: Knit with Color B, Duplicate stitch A when finished knitting.



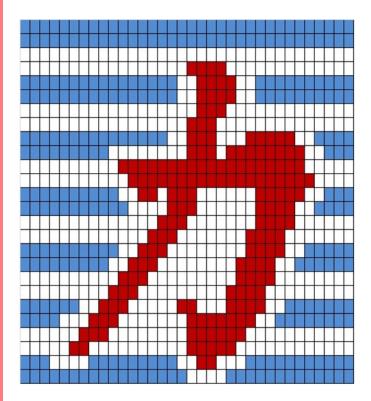
When you have completed the chart, continue working rounds of stripes as established, but begin decreasing as follows:

Row 36: \*Knit 6, k2tog, repeat from \* to end Row 37: Knit Row 38: \*Knit 5, k2tog, repeat from \* to end Row 39: Knit Continue decreasing as established. Row 48: k2tog to end

Leaving a 6-8 inch tail, cut yarn and thread through remaining stitches, pull tight and weave in all loose ends. If you have not duplicate stitched the four red stitches in Row 2 of Chart 1, please do so now.

Now it's time to Duplicate Stitch the Kanji. Following the chart below, Duplicate Stitch the red stitches.

CHART 2:



## **FINISHING:**

Weave in ends.

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