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Peace-hat



The world is a scary place, with too much threat of war. I think the peace symbol needs to be seen more. This hat is super easy to knit, same kind of model as the pussyhat (to represent resistance), but with an embroidered peace symbol on it. I used an amazing hand-dyed wool-yarn from a Swedish indie dyer: Ateljé av Bark. The colorway I've used might be unique, but she has lots of other lovely colors, too. And of course, you can use any other yarn of your liking, the pattern is easily adaptable, but just remember that a thicker yarn results in less stitches and then the peace pattern might not fit.

Material

Yarn: 1 skein (100 grams = 350 metres) Eco Peruvian Woll, from Ateljé av Bark for the hat and I used Katia Gatsby color 22 (silvermetallic) for the peace symbol.

Knitting needles: 40 cm long doublepointed needles in the size 2,5 mm for the ribbing and 3,5 for the rest of the hat.

Gauge: 23 m/10 cm.

Size: Adult

Other stuff: Blunt needle to sew the hat together with and for the embroidery.

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The size:

The size of the hat is easily adaptable. Measure the circumference of the head. I have a small head, so the instructions for this hat fits 55 cm. Multiply the circumference with gauge and divide it by 10. For my hat: $(55 \times 23) / 10 = 126,5$ stitches. I rounded it down to 120 stitches. Remember that the number of stitches must be divisible by 2 for the ribbing to add up.

To know the height of the hat: Measure from the point you want the hat to reach on your forehead, to the corresponding point on your neck and divide it by 2. My head measured 40 cm which means I shall knit 20 cm from cast on-edge.

Make sure that when the hat is knitted, the front needs to be at least 43 rounds high and 35 stitches wide (preferably more) to fit the peace symbol.



Start:

Cast on 120 stitches (or the number you got), on knitting needles 2,5 mm, and knit ribbing (knit 1, purl 1) for 3 cm.

Change to knitting needles 3,5 and knit stockinette (only knit stitches) until the hat measures 20 cm from cast on edge.

Do not cast off, sew the sides together using Kitchener stitch for an invisible seam. Sew in ends.

Embroidery

The motif is embroidered on the hat using duplicate stitch. It's really simple but I do recommend you to watch some tutorials if you're unfamiliar with this technique. The trick to make it look neat is to make every stitch exactly the same way.

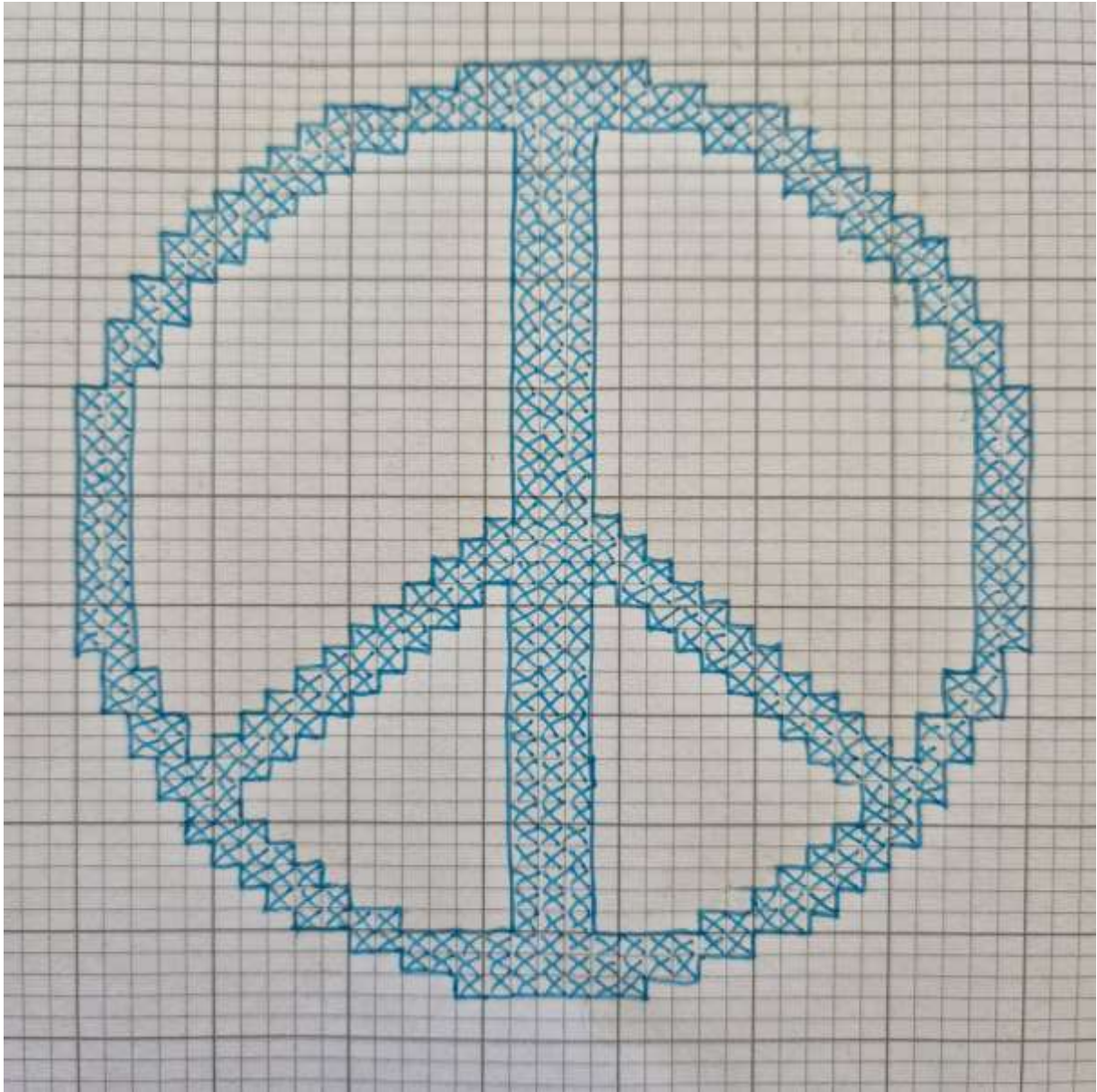
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Find the middle front of the hat and count to make sure the symbol will fit. I began with the middle line, but you can begin anywhere. Use one strand of Katia Gatsby (I tried double, but it was a mess ☺) and a blunt yarn needle.



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