Snow Kitteh Winter Bonnet

Knitting Pattern by Moth and Rust

Adult women's chunky hat, worked partially flat and then in the round on circular needles from the bottom up. Seamed at the top.

Materials:
- 1 skein Wool-Ease Thick & Quick by Lion Brand (colorway: Fisherman)
- US 13 (9mm) circular needle (16" long)
- Stitch Marker
- Tapestry Needle

Abbreviations:

st(s) = stitch(es)

k = knit

p = purl

mb = make bobble: knit in to front of stitch, into the back, and into the front again (increases by 2 sts), turn work, k3, turn work, knit 3 sts together.

kfb = knit into the front of the stitch, then into the back (increases by 1 st.) k2tog = knit two stitches together

Instructions:
Cast on 40 sts
Row 1: knit.
Row 2: k1, p1, repeat.
Row 3: knit.
Row 4: repeat Row 2.
Row 5: knit.
Row 6: [k1, p1] three times, p28, [k1, p1] three times.
Row 7: k7, mb, *k4, mb, repeat from * until 7 stitches remain, end k7.
Row 8: repeat Row 6.
Row 9: knit.
Row 10: repeat Row 6.
Row 11: knit.
Row 12: repeat Row 6.
Row 13: kfb three times, knit to last 3 sts, kfb three times, cast on 4 sts. (50 sts)

Join so that the row becomes a round. Place marker at end of round.

Round 14-16: knit.
Round 17: k8, k2tog, repeat. (45 sts)
Round 18: knit.
Round 19: k7, k2tog, repeat. (40 sts)
Round 20: knit.
Round 21: k6, k2tog, repeat. (35 sts)
Round 22-27: knit.

Bind off and press flat, stitching seam together horizontally across the crown, or seam with kitchener stitch.

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Note: the above instructions are exactly how I made the original bonnet (the one pictured.) However, the decreases are not quite centered in this version, which may or may not be important to you. However, If you would prefer that your decreases are centered, follow these instructions for Rounds 17-21 instead:

Round 17: k4, k2tog, [k8, k2tog] four times, k4. Round 18: knit.
Round 19: k3, k2tog, [k7, k2tog] four times, k4. Round 20: knit.
Round 21: k2, k2tog, [k6, k2tog] four times, k4.