Bella Big Brim
By Christine Fabiani

Materials:
1 skein from Knots of Love’s approved list of yarns.
Yarn shown here: Universal Cotton Supreme Batik. Color: Fresh Bouquet
Size 8 - 16-inch circular needles and size 8 Double point needles
Stitch marker
Tapestry needle

Instructions:
Using 16” (#8) circular needles
For an average woman cast on 96 sts.
Place a stitch marker at the beginning of your round being careful not to twist the stitches.

Rows 1-14: Knit around
Row 15: (Knit 6, k2tog) repeat around. (84 stitches)
Row 16: Knit around
Row 17: (Knit 5, k2tog) repeat around. (72 stitches)

Continue knitting until crown measures 6” from the first decrease round.

Crown Shaping:
Rnd 1: (K7, K2tog). Repeat around.
Rnd 2: and each even number round knit plain around.
Rnd 3: (K6, K2tog). Repeat around.
Rnd 5: (K5, K2tog). Repeat around.

When circular needles become too long for the decreasing amount of stitches, begin knitting off onto double point needles, 2 sections per needle. Or if you know how to work in the round with 2 circulars, divide the knitting in half while knitting around.

Rnd 7: (K4, K2tog). Repeat around.
Rnd 9: (K3, K2tog). Repeat around.
Rnd 11: (K2, K2tog). Repeat around.
Rnd 13: (K1, K2tog). Repeat around.
Rnd 15: Knit 2tog.

Finishing: Only 2 stitches remain in each section. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining stitches and remove stitches from the needle. Pull to gather and close the top opening. Weave in the remaining tail.

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Crocheted Hippie Flower
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Crochet hook size: H
Chain 46
In 2nd chain from hook, HDC 2 times.
*(Slip stitch in next chain. Chain 7, slip stitch in the same chain to form the petal)
Repeat from * until you reach the end of your chain.

Leave a 12” long tail. Wind up the long piece you’ve just made to form the flower.
Stitch the flower together making sure to grab all the edges of the chain. Stitch your flower to the hat.

NOTES: For a larger flower increase the number of chains and/or increase the size of your crochet hook.
Add a button or pearl to the center of the flower for a fun variation. If a button is added, the HDC can be omitted.

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