BIG BOW SLOUCH

Materials:
Needles: Size 8 (16”) circular needles
           Size 8 Double Point Needles
Yarn: 200-225 yards of any yarn from the Knots of Love’s approved list of yarns. 2 colors of yarn - main and small amount of contrasting color
Tapestry needle

Abbreviations:
• kfb = knit in front and in back of same stitch
• K2tog = knit 2 stitches together

Instructions:
Pattern:
• Cast on 80 stitches in the main color. Being careful not to twist.
  Begin to K1, P1 every row for 1 inch.
  (The remainder of the cap is knit only.)
• Increase to 88 stitches: *K9, kfb; repeat from * around
• K 5 rows in main color
• Switch to contrasting color and K for 6 rows.
• Return to main color and continue knitting until cap measures 7 inches from cast on edge.

Decreasing: switch to double point needles when needed.
Rnd  1: *K9, K2tog; repeat from * around
Rnd  2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12: K around
Rnd  3: *K8, K2tog; repeat from * around
Rnd  5: *K7, K2tog; repeat from * around
Rnd  7: *K6, K2tog; repeat from * around
Rnd  9: *K5, K2tog; repeat from * around
Rnd 11: *K4, K2tog; repeat from * around
  Rnd 13: *K3, K2tog; repeat from * around
  Rnd 14: *K2, K2tog; repeat from * around
  Rnd 15: *K1, K2tog; repeat from * around
  Rnd 16: K2tog around
  (Rnd 17: K2tog) if desired to make less stitches to close cap

Finishing:
Cut yarn, leaving 12” tail. Place yarn on a tapestry needle and thread stitches from dpns to cinch closed.
Knot and weave in ends.

Directions for the bow:
Cast 12-14 stitches (depending on desired bow size) onto straight needles
Knit every row until the piece measures 7”
Bind off.
Cut long piece of yarn. Double it and wrap around middle of the bow to create the center.
Attach securely to cap.

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