



Emotional Support Chicken™ accessories #1 by Annette Corsino

Make your ESC stand out in the coop!

1. Cluck of the Town Beret



Materials: Scraps of Worsted Weight Yarn, size US6/4mm and US8/5mm dpns, tapestry needle for weaving in ends

Gauge: 4.5sts/6 rows per inch

Instructions:

Make a 3 stitch icord until it fits around ESC's head approx 7.5-8" long (42 rows).

icord= with US6 dpns cast on 3sts. With yarn coming from the "wrong" end, knit 3, do not turn, push sts to other end of needle and knit 3, pulling yarn around to form icord.



Note: If adjusting size, make sure your total row count is a multiple of 6.

BO 3sts, and sew ends together to form a ring, don't cut yarn.

Pick up 1 stitch in each icord row, making sure to pick up under 2 strands (a crochet hook helps).

Change to US8 dpns and knit 9 rounds/1.5"



Begin decreases:

Place marker every 7sts.



Knit to 2sts before marker, K2tog

Repeat decrease round until 6sts remain.

Cut yarn, leaving a 6" tail, place tail onto tapestry needle and weave through remaining sts and pull closed. Weave in ends and block lightly with steam.



Now, she's ready for some clucking and carousing!



2. Coop de Capelet

Materials: Worsted Weight yarn, US9/5.5mm needle, tapestry needle

Gauge: 4sts per inch in stockinette

Stitches used: **K**=knit, **P**=purl, (**CDD**=center double decrease-slip 2sts as if to knit, k1, pass the 2 slip stitches over the knit st), **CO**=cast on, **BO**=bind off, **Slst**=slip stitch as if to purl to right needle without working it. **SM**=slip marker

Seed st=seed stitch row 1: *k1, p1*, row 2=*purl the knit sts, knit the purl sts*

Instructions:

CO 61sts on #9 needle

Rows 1-3: Seed st across row

Place markers after 1st stitch, before the last 3sts of row, and in center st (#31) This is the middle st of the CDD. Move marker up each row.

Row 4: Seed st to marker, SM, knit to 1st before marker, CDD, replace marker, knit to next marker, seed st to end. (2 sts decreased).

Row 5: Seed st to marker, SM, purl to last marker, SM, seed st to end (no decreases).

Repeat rows 4 and 5 until 51 stitches remain.



Decreases end here.

Row 6: Seed st to first marker, SM, knit to marker, slip marked st, knit to last marker, SM, seed st to end.

Row 7: Seed st to first marker, SM, purl to last marker, SM, seed st to end.

Repeat rows 6 and 7 until cape measures 6" from top to cast on point.

Collar:

Rows 1-2: BO 3sts in pattern, seed stitch to end of row (48)

Row 3-10: Seed st across row



BO loosely, weave in ends and steam block.
Add button or tie if desired.



You and your ESC can now strut your stuff in style!