## MARK'S BIRTHDAY SKULL CAP

One ball Debbie Bliss cashmerino aran (black) or equivalent for size sm./md. Two balls for md./lg. {Color A}
One ball Debbie Bliss cashmerino aran (off-white or white) or equivalent {Color B}
16" Size 6 US Circular Knitting Needle
Size 6 US Double Point Needles
14 to 16 Stitch Markers
Skull chart from: http://glampyreknits.tripod.com/id31glampyrephotos/

Fits: small/medium or large/extra large
Gauge: approximately 24 stitches by 28 rows

- Cast 104 (120) stitches on circular needles with A. Join, being careful not to twist the stitches.
- Pearl one round.
- Knit 9 rounds.
- Place marker at start of each skull pattern. Use A & B. For size small: pattern, K1, pattern, pattern, K1, pattern, pattern, K1, pattern, pattern, K1, pattern, pattern, K1, pattern. (For size large: pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern, K1, pattern.) Work pattern for next 9 rows.
- Switch back to color A. Remove marker on next round. Knit until 6" (6 1/2") long.
- On next round, place markers after every 8th stitch. You may want to change from circular needle to dpn at this point, although you can wait several more rows.
- On next row, work until 2 stitches before each marker and K2tog.
- Knit one round, then decrease row as before. Continue to decrease on alternate rows until 2 stitches are left between markers 26 (30 stitches).
- Knit next round removing all of the stitch markers.
- On next round, K2tog, 13 (15) stitches remain.
- On next round, K2tog 6 (7) times, K1. 7 (8) stitches remain.
- Cut the thread, leaving a tail long enough to weave through remaining stitches. Pull tight, weave end in and trim. Weave in any other loose ends.

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