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Materials

Yarn:	Debbie Bliss Alpaca Silk DK, 2 skeins, color 26005 (red) for hat -- or any yarn of similar weight
Needles:	Set of 4 double-pointed and 20" circular US 4 (3.5 mm) and 20" circular US 2 (3 mm) *or correct needles to obtain gauge.* **Note: if you tend to knit ribbing loosely, you may need to use a US 1 needle for the Seed Rib.**
Accessories:	Tapestry needle; waste yarn; stitch marker; ~10" plate for blocking
Measurements:	Approx. 10-11" in diameter
Gauge:	23 sts & 36 Rows over 4"

Notes on Chart
As tam is knit in the round, read all rows on chart from right to left.
On first double decrease of rnd (symbol = //\), slip last st from previous rnd as to knit, remove marker, k2tog, psso (passover). Move st just worked to left needle, replace marker, return st to right needle and continue rnd.

Start Tam --
With 20" circular US 2, CO 144 sts. Join without twisting to work in the round. Place marker to indicate beg of rnd. Work the 2 rnds of Seed Rib x 5 (10 rnds total).

Seed Rib
 Rnd 1: *k1, p3; rep from * to end
 Rnd 2: k2, p1, *k3, p1; rep from * to last st, k1

Change to 20" circular US 4 and work 5 rpts (10 rnds total) of the following 2 rnds:

 Rnd 1: k7, p1, k1, p1, *k13, p1, k1, p1; rep from * to last 6 sts, k6.
 Rnd 2: knit

Start the 48 rnds of **Chart**, changing to dpns when sts become too stretched. The chart shows a single 16-stitch repeat. There are a total of 9 pattern repeats (16x9=144 sts). The stitch count changes as the decreases are completed starting on round 21. It is helpful to place a marker between each repeat, though you may find them inconvenient as the pattern progresses.

If adding optional I-cord on top, k3tog x 3 and knit 1-2 ½ inches of I-cord.

Break yarn, thread onto darning needle, draw through rem sts, and push through hole to inside. Pull tight to close and. Opt. I-Cord: Weave end into I-cord and work end down through I-cord to hat and sew securely to inside. Tie knot in 2 ½ inch I-cord or leave un-knotted if doing 1" I-cord.

Finishing:
Weave in ends. Immerse tam in cool water. Gently squeeze out excess water without wringing. Place tam on a dinner plate approx. 10-11" in diameter. Use darning needle to weave a piece of waste yarn through Seed Rib close to cast-on edge*. Tighten waste yarn to shape tam. Allow to dry completely. See page 3 for photos of blocking instructions.

*Thread waste yarn through the knit st (every 4th st) closest to cast on edge.

Chart

3 sts (Opt for I-cord)
9 sts — row 48
row 47
18 sts — row 46
row 45
row 44
36 sts — row 43
row 42
row 41
row 40
54 sts — row 39
row 38
72 sts — row 37
row 36
row 35
row 34
90 sts — row 33
row 32
row 31
row 30
row 29
row 28
108 sts — row 27
row 26
row 25
row 24
row 23
row 22
126 sts — row 21
row 20
row 19
row 18
row 17
row 16
row 15
row 14
row 13
row 12
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row 8
row 7
row 6
row 5
row 4
row 3
row 2
144 sts — row 1

|← 16 st repeat →|
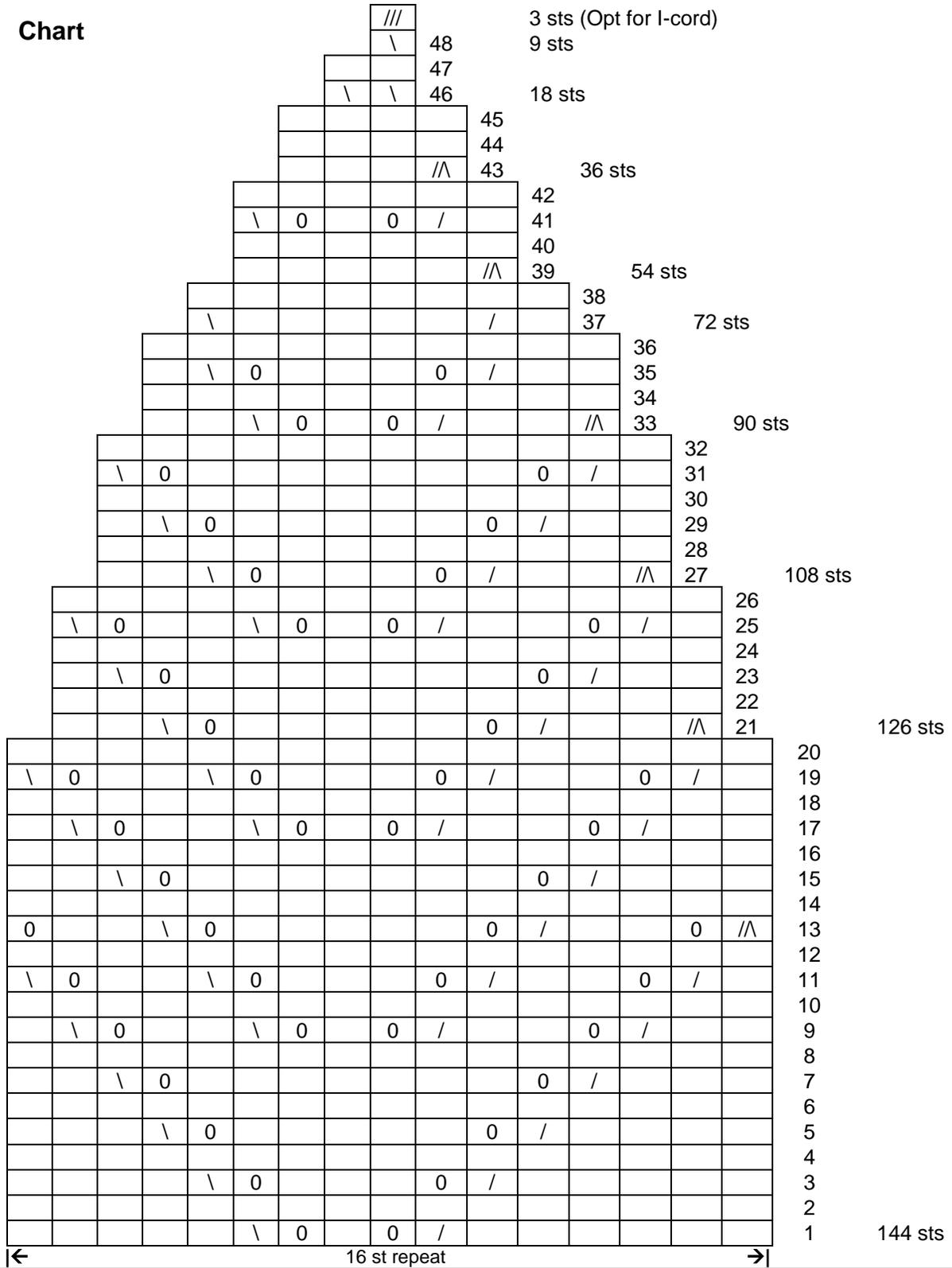
Key to Chart

□ = blank square = knit st
/ = k2tog
\ = ssk
0 = yarnover

/\ = double decrease = slip 1 st as to knit, k2tog, pass slipped st over st just worked

Note: On first double decrease of rnd, slip last st from previous rnd as to knit, remove marker, k2tog, psso. Move st just worked to left needle, replace marker, return st to right needle and continue rnd

Blocking Instructions
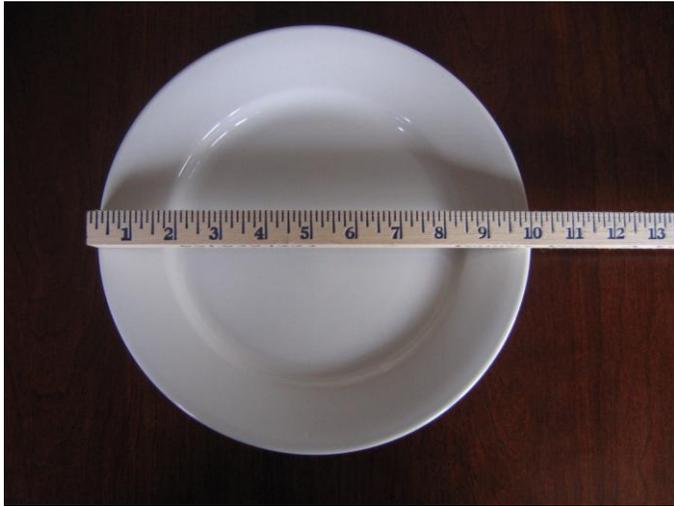
Select plate 10-11 inches in diameter. Wet hat thoroughly and gently squeeze out excess water without wringing. Place tam over plate.

Draw tapestry needle with waste yarn through every 4th stitch, which is the knit stitch of the seed stitch rib.

Pull waste yarn up tightly and tie. Let hat dry completely and voilà!

Finished Tam

Inside of Tam   Outside of Tam

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Materials

Yarn: Debbie Bliss Alpaca Silk DK, 4 skeins, color 26005 (red) for scarf -- or any yarn of similar weight

Needles: US 4 (3.5 mm) **or correct needles to obtain gauge**

Accessories: Stitch markers

Measurements: ~6" wide by 60-64 inches in length;
Note: each skein will yield approx. 16" in length so length can be adjusted

Gauge: 23 sts & 36 Rows over 4"

Notes on Chart
Scarf is knit back and forth. Read RS rows on chart from right to left and WS rows left to right.

Abbrevs

CO = cast on	RS = right side
Sl2 wyif = slip 2 sts as to purl with yarn in front	WS = wrong side
pm = place marker	psso = passover (pass slipped st
sm = slip marker	over sts just worked)

Start Scarf

With US 5 needles, CO 35 sts.
Maintain continuity of first 5 and last 5 sts throughout. These edge sts are worked in the same manner for all RS and WS rows as follows:

   1st 5 sts (all RS and WS rows):   k3, p1, k1
   Last 5 sts (all RS and WS rows): k1, p1, k1, sl2 wyif

Work bottom border as follows:
Work the following 2 rows 4 times (8 rows total), ending on a WS row (RS facing for next row).

   Row 1 (RS):   1st 5 edge sts, pm, k2, (p1, k3) x 5, p1, k2, pm, last 5 edge sts
   Row 2 (WS):   1st 5 edge sts, sm, (p1, k3) x 6, p1, sm, last 5 edge sts

Work the next 2 rows a total of 3 times (6 rows total), ending on a WS row (RS facing for next row):

   Row 1 (RS): 1st 5 edge sts, sm, k25, sm, last 5 edge sts
   Row 2 (WS): 1st 5 edge sts, sm, p1, k1, p9, k1, p1, k1, p9, k1, p1, sm, last 5 edge sts

Start chart:
Keeping the continuity of the first 5 sts and last 5 sts as set, work the center 25 sts between markers using the **Chart** as follows:

Work rows 1-8 once; work rows 9-16 until scarf measures approx. 3" less than desired length of scarf; work rows 17-26 once, ending on a WS row (RS row facing for next row).

Work the next 2 rows 3 times (6 rows total), ending on a WS row (RS facing for next row):

   Row 1 (RS): 1st 5 edge sts, sm, k25, sm, last 5 edge sts
   Row 2 (WS): 1st 5 edge sts, sm, p5, k1, p1, k1, p9, k1, p1, k1, p5, sm, last 5 edge sts

Rep the following 2 rows 4 times (8 rows total), ending on a WS row.

  Row 1 (RS): 1st 5 edge sts, sm, (p1, k3) x 6, p1, sm, last 5 edge sts
  Row 2 (WS): 1st 5 edge sts, sm, k2, (p1, k3) x 5, p1, k2, sm, last 5 edge sts

Bind off in pattern. Block gently by steaming or wetblocking, making sure to stretch side edges to full length of scarf. Cut 50 strands of yarn 14" long. Using 5 strands held together, attach 5 fringes evenly spaced to each end of scarf. Trim ends of fringe.

Chart

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Row
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|← 25 pattern sts →|

8 Row Repeat

Key to Chart

□ = blank square = stockinette stitch: knit on RS, purl on WS
/ = k2tog
\ = ssk
0 = yarnover
/\ = double decrease = slip 1 st as to knit, k2tog, psso