

Warren

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evil version

Revel in evil, more or less, by sporting symbols of satanism and/or chaos on a comfy head accessory.

Choose to knit a full on devil-worshipping symbol into your hat, or go for simply chaotic messy lines along the bottom, and then work chaos arrows pointing outwards from the crown center.

This basic hat is made with twisted stitches on a reverse stockinette stitch background, and is very much gender neutral - the evil version is sized specifically for an average adult male head size, which makes for a nice slouchy fit on a smaller female head.



chaotic version



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You need

- ▶ DK weight yarn in a solid or semi-solid color, or a slightly different weight to adjust size (see *Sizing*)
- approx 160 yards / 150 meters for *evil version*
- approx 125{160} yards / 115{150} meters for small{large} sizes of *chaotic version*
- *evil* sample yarn is Berroco *Vintage DK* (Douglas Fir)
- *chaotic* sample yarn is Hazel Knits *Lively DK* (Low Tide)
- ▶ size US 6 (4mm) needles (or sized to get gauge)
- a 16"/40cm circular
- either a set of double pointed needles, or a longer circular to work magic loop method, for the crown
- ▶ 1 stitch marker, and optional 4 or 5 more markers in a different color/type from the first, if you like to keep track of pattern repeats

Gauge

21 sts and 28 rows per 4 inches / 10 cm, in stockinette (rows do not matter for *chaotic version*).

Or, you may adjust your gauge a bit to customize your hat size - see *Sizing* below for details.

Sizing

Circumference

The *evil version* is written in one size only, which is a large size; in the DK weight gauge it will be fitted to a large adult size head (around 24 inches / 61 cm head circumference), or it will be a looser fit on a more medium size head, or a slouchy fit on a smaller head.

The *chaotic version* is written for two sizes, small (pictured) and large; the small is a snug fit on a small adult head (around 22 inches / 56 cm head circumference), or it can be made shorter to fit a child; the large is fitted to a larger adult head (around 23-24 inches / 58-61 cm head circumference), or a looser, slouchier fit on a smaller head.

You can adjust your hat's size by changing your gauge, as follows (don't worry about row gauge).

To make the *evil version* fitted to a smaller adult head size (around 22-23 inches / 56-58 cm head circumference), use sport weight and/or needles sized to get a gauge of 24 sts per 4 inches / 10 cm.

To make a more medium sized *chaotic version*, fitted to a head circumference of around 22.5-23 inches / 57-58 cm, go up to a weight around light worsted and/or use needles sized to get a gauge of 19 sts per 4 inches, and use the small size pattern.

Height

The *evil version* is as tall as the satanic symbol, approx 6 inches / 15 cm before the crown, 8.5 inches / 22 cm total hat height. So you can't make it any shorter (unless you use a tighter gauge), but you can make it taller if you want to - simply add extra *purl all* rows before beginning the crown pattern.

The *chaotic version* hat body is plain reverse stockinette stitch from above the brim up to the crown, so you can make it as tall as you like. The pattern recommends around 6 inches / 15 cm (before beginning the brim, making a total height of approx 8.5 inches / 22 cm), which is the height of the sample hat. To make a hat which doesn't come down so far over the ears, stop at around 5 inches / 13 cm; for an extra long hat, which slouches down in the back, stop at 9-10 inches / 23-25 cm.