Button Band Hat

This simple hat pattern knits up quickly on 10.5 needles and bulky yarn. I used some of the old wool/alpaca Knit Picks Sierra that I had on hand. The buttons are my own hand-made lampwork.

The Sierra line has been renamed Cadena, but it's the same yarn. Unfortunately, the color I used (Lettuce) has been discontinued, but there are other great colors that would work. I think maybe Noro Iro might be the same size as well

This simple hat is dressed up with a seed stitch band, and funky buttons.

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Seed Stitch: Row 1:*K1, P1* across. Every following row: K the P sts, P the K sts.

Yarn: Knit Picks Cadena, 70% wool 30% Superfine Alpaca, 100 gr, 110 yds, 1 skein @ Lettuce** and Natural 23782
Yarn Size: Bulky
Needles: Size 10.5 (US) straight, and dpns (or 16" circular and dpns)
Tools: large-eye blunt needle
Notions: 2- ³/₄" funky buttons (or 1 larger button), matching thread, sewing needle
Size: Adult
Measurements: 10 ¹/₄" across (laying flat), 8 ¹/₄" long
Gauge: Stockinette 3.5 sts-1", 5 rows=1"
Pattern Difficulty: Easy
***This color (from the old Sierra line, which has been renamed Cadena) is discontinued.
There are other lovely colors in the Cadena line that will work fine for this hat.

Note: Be sure to wrap new yarn around old yarn when changing colors.

Note: You may work the entire hat without joining the crown. Seam the hat after BO.

With straight (or circular) needles, and Natural, CO 70 sts. Button Band: Rows 1-2: K Row 3 (RS): K2, tie on Lettuce, inc 1, K across. (71 sts) Row 4(WS): *K1, P1*, rep across to last 2 sts, K last 2 sts with Natural. Page 2

Row 5: K2 Natural, change to Lettuce, Inc 1, work Seed St across. (72 sts) Row 6: Work Seed St across, K the last 2 sts with Natural. Rep Rows 5-6 once. (73 sts) Band Dec Row 1: K2 Natural, change to Lettuce, Dec 1, work Seed St across. (72 sts) Band Dec Row 2: Work across in Seed St, K last 2 sts with Natural. Rep Band Dec Rows 1-2 once, cut Lettuce. (71 sts) Next Row: K with Cream, dec 1 st at end of row (70 sts). Next 3 rows: K Crown Rnd 1(RS): With Cream, BO 6 sts. Cut Cream, tie on Lettuce. K across. (64 sts) Crown Rnd 2: Divide sts on dpns and join (if working with a circular needle, join), K.

Work even until hat measures 5".

Crown Dec Rnd 1: *K6, K2 tog*, rep around. (56 sts) Crown Dec Rnd 2 (and all Even Dec Rnds): K Crown Dec Rnd 3: *K5, K2 tog*, rep around. (48 sts) Crown Dec Rnd 5: *K4, K2 tog*, rep around. (40 sts) Crown Dec Rnd 7: *K3, K2 tog*, rep around. (32 sts) Crown Dec Rnd 9: *K2, K2 tog*, rep around. (24 sts) Crown Dec Rnd 11: *K1, K2 tog*, rep around. (16 sts) Crown Dec Rnd 13: *K2 tog*, rep around. (8 sts) Cut yarn with a 12" tail. Thread tail in large-eye needle and sew through remaining loops and tighten. Weave end in on inside of hat. Weave all ends in on inside of hat. Overlap the button band, and tack in place. With sewing needle and matching thread, sew buttons in place.

