Suzy Brown (WoolWench) Big Bulky Woolly Hat





Ok here goes, I am about to describe to you how I made this hat! I hope it all makes sense! I started with some

15mm needles (size 19) and cast on 10 stitches of mega bulky yarn. If you cant get yarn thick

enough you will need to double the bulkiest yarn you can get hold of! Knit more rows if you need to to get the size you want.

Then I knit two rows, then purled one row, and on the following knit row I did a row of drop stitches, thats wrapping the yarn twice around the needle instead of once, leaving two loops on the needle for every stitch. On the next row (purl) I purled into the first of each set of loops, pulling the two off the needle together making an elongated stitch.

After that I did a knit row, then a purl row,



then a row of drop stitch, repeating this pattern until I had about 23 rows. Then do two rows of knit and cast off. See how fast this is to make!

Then all I did was folded this in half, and stitched a seam on one side, this is the back.

I made the pompom by cutting two circles





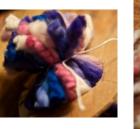
of card with a hole in the middle. Then I wrapped the yarn

around the circle. Holding the end I cut around the outside of the circle, sliding the scissors between the two pieces of card to keep them straight.

Then I tied the

yarn together tightly in the middle with some string, slid between the two bits of card. I pied the pompom onto the point of the back top of the hat.

Making the tassles was also easy peasy, I just took some yarn, looped it at different lengths, and threaded it through the front bottom corners of the hat. And that was it! An incredibly cosy winter hat, with a giant fun pompom, art yarn tassles, and the whole thing might have taken me an hour and a half, with coffee drinking break. Its really quite a freeform-ish thing, and could be knit with or without the drop stitches, or with any other stitches actually :) I hope you like it and that it brings you some inspiration for your own winter knitting!





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