Round 27: (RT, P2tog) two times, RT, P1; repeat from *. You now have 45 stitches.

Final Decrease Round: *K2tog; repeat from * to last stitch, K1. You now have 23 stitches.

Finishing

Cut yarn, leaving a 12" tail. Thread tail onto tapestry needle, draw through remaining stitches. Pull up snug to close top of hat and fasten off on the inside, leaving tail to sew on pompom. Sew short seam on band and bottom of tam (the parts knit in rows). Make pompom and sew to top of tam. For best fit and appearance, block tam by stretching over tam blocker or dinner plate, misting it with water, and leaving it until dry.



