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## Erssie's Tam Chart

### How to Use This Chart

The chart on the next page is for a Worsted/Aran yarn and a gauge of approx 4.5sts/inch. To make a basic tam you will need to work out your gauge, and make your ribbed section fit around your head.

E.g. my head measures 21 inches

My gauge is 4.5sts/inch therefore I need approx 94.5 sts

I am going to round down that no to 92; a number divisible by 4 for K2, P2 rib

Then I will need to either increase to a large no divisible by 7; either on the next row (by M1 every few sts until desired st amount) or I could increase gradually.

E.g. I am going to increase to 140 on the first row of my Tam,

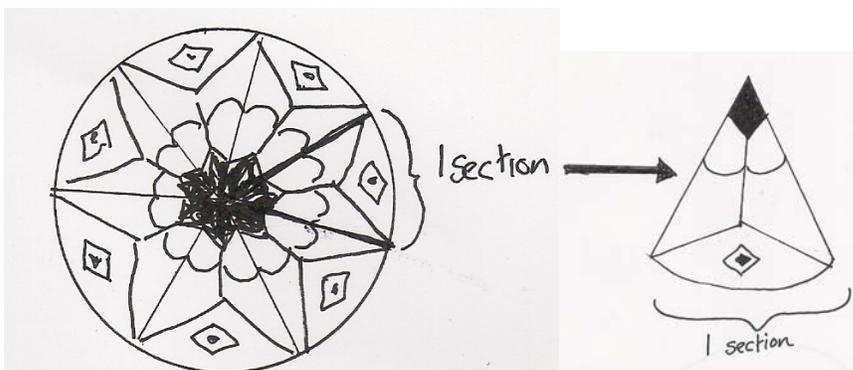
$140 - 92 = 48$  stitches that I need to increase evenly over the 92 stitch row

This works out to:

[K1, M1, (K2, M1) 11 times] rpt 4 times

Then you will knit straight until tam measures approximately 3-4 inches from the brim. Erssie's Tam Chart gives you 26 rows before reaching the decreases; you may only need part of this depending on how big you want your Tam to be.

Copy/print the blank chart and fill out squares in your colour choices to make a pattern. To see the full effect of the pattern, draw a circle and divide into 7 segments, then draw your rough pattern into each of these segments. You can see that you can create interesting star shapes from very simple lines



**Hope you find this useful. Do send feedback and of course links to your own Tam designs**

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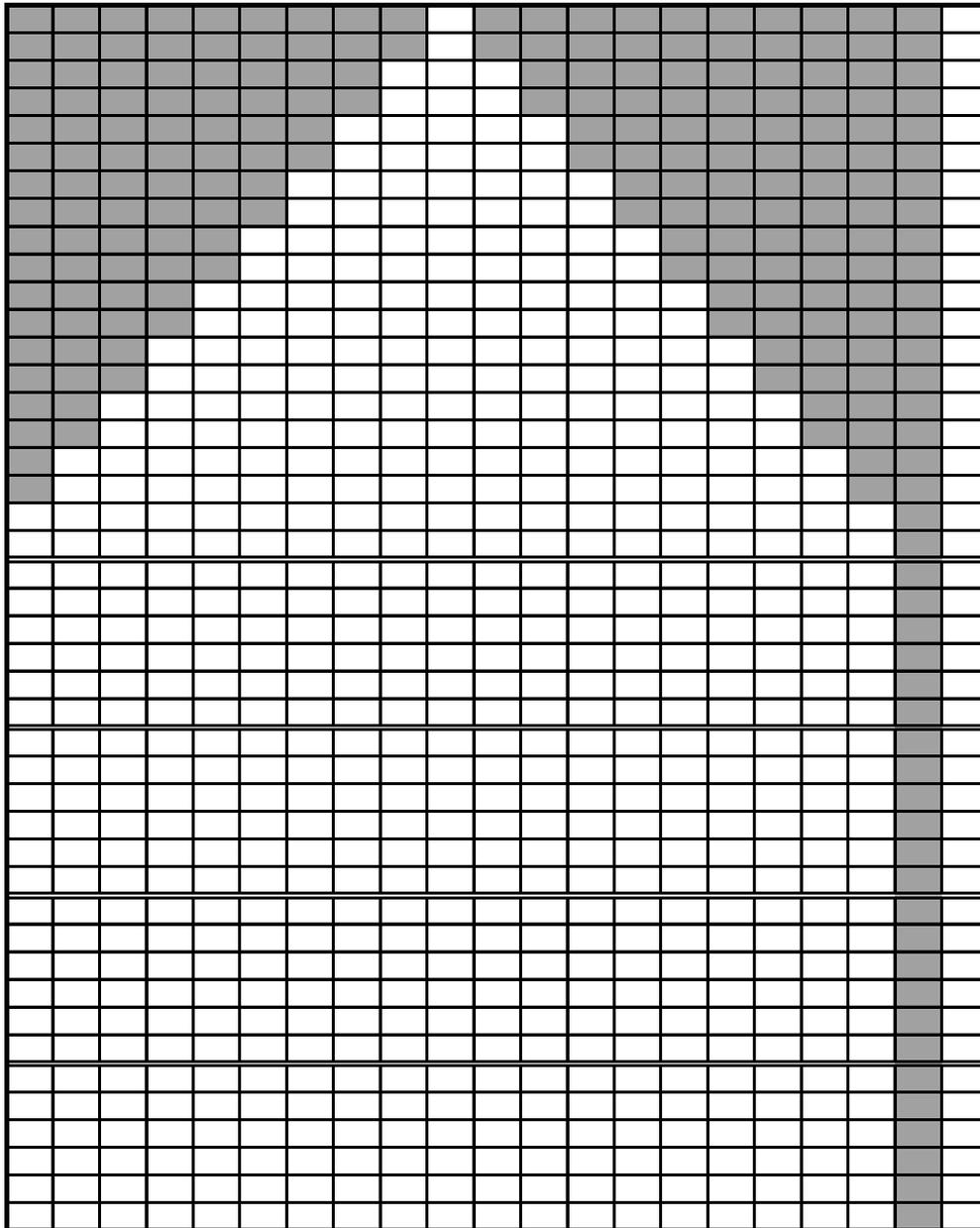


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20 stitches and 7 sections

19 'wheel' stitches and 1 'spoke' stitch per section



Suggested Gauge 18sts x 24 rows = 4 inches/10 cm

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