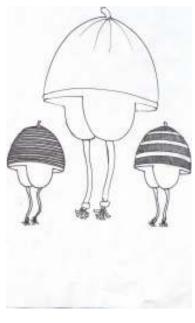
# HAT WITH EAR FLAPS

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#### Measurements

To fit small-medium (medium to large) head.

#### **Materials**

2 x 50 g balls of double knitting yarn in one colour or equivalent amount for multicoloured option. No. 8 (4 mm) knitting needles.

#### Tension

22 stitches and 30 rows to 10 x 10 cm over stocking stitch, using No. 8 (4 mm) needles.

## **Abbreviations**

**K**, knit; **p**, purl; **st**, stitch; **tog**, together; **inc**, increase (by working twice into same st); **dec**, decrease (by taking 2 sts tog); **up1**, pick up loop lying between needles and k into the back of it; **ss**, stocking st (k on right side and p on wrong side).

## Plain hat

## Right ear flap

\*\* With No. 8 (4 mm) needles, cast on 5 sts. K 3 rows.

Increase row: K2, up1, k to last 2 sts, up1, k2.

Repeat increase row, twice more. K 1 row, then work increase row.

Repeat last 2 rows, 4 (5) times more – 21 (23) sts. K 18 (20) rows.\*\*

K 1 row, casting on 12 (13) sts at beginning of this – 33 (36) sts.

Break off yarn and leave these sts on a st-holder.

## Left ear flap

Work as right ear flap from \*\* to \*\*. K 1 row, turn and cast on 12 (13) sts - 33 (36) sts.

**Joining row:** K across left ear flap, cast on 28 (32) sts, then k across right ear flap – 94 (104) sts. K 5 rows. \*\*\*

**Inc row:** K6 (7), inc, [k8 (9), inc] 9 times, k6 – 104 (114) sts. Beginning with a p row, ss 29 (35) rows.

**Shape top:** 1<sup>st</sup> dec row: K13 (8), k2tog, [k11 (10), k2tog] 6 (8) times, k11 (8) – 97 (105) sts. Ss 3 rows.

2<sup>nd</sup> dec row: K1, [k2tog, k10 (11)] 8 times. Ss 3 rows.

3<sup>rd</sup> dec row: K1, [k2tog, k9 (10)] 8 times. P 1 row.

4<sup>th</sup> row: K1, [k2tog, k8 (9)] 8 times. P 1 row.

5<sup>th</sup> dec row: K1, [k2tog, k7 (8)] 8 times.

Continue dec 8 sts in this way, dec 8 sts on every alternate row until 17 sts remain. **Next dec row:** [P2tog] 8 times, p1.

Next dec row: K1, [k2tog] 4 times – 5 sts. Ss 5 rows.

Break off yarn, leaving a long end. Thread end through remaining sts, pull up tightly and fasten off. Join back seam.

**Ties (make 2):** Cut yarn into eighteen 50 cm lengths. Fold 9 lengths in half and attach folded end at centre of cast on edge on each ear flap. Divide lengths into three parts and plait. Secure plaited ends and trim.

## Multi coloured hat

Work as plain hat to \*\*\*. Working in 2-row or 4-row or 6-row stripes, complete as plain hat. Using all colours, make ties as on plain hat.