

Ear Flap Hat *Design by Sandi Prosser*

SKILL LEVEL

Easy

SIZES

Childs: 2-4 (6-8, 10-12)

MATERIALS

Marble Chunky (200gm) (341yds/312m)

Color #01 – Sugar Pink 1 (1, 1) Ball

One pair size 5.50mm (US 9) knitting needles or SIZE NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE.

Stitch holders.

GAUGE

14 sts and 20 rows = 4"/10cm in St st using size 5.50mm (US 9) needles. TAKE TIME TO CHECK GAUGE.

INSTRUCTIONS

First Ear Flap:

Cast on 3 sts.

Row 1: K3.

Row 2: Inc 1 st in first st, k2. 4 sts.

Repeat row 2 until 17 sts on needle. Work 5 rows even in garter st (knit every row). Break yarn. Leave sts on a spare needle.

Second Ear Flap:

Work as given for First Ear Flap, but do not break yarn.

Join Ear Flaps:

Next row: Cast on 6 sts onto end of Second Ear Flap, knit 17 sts of Second Ear Flap. Cast on 16 (19, 20) sts. Knit 17 sts of First Ear Flap, cast on 6 sts. 62 (65, 66) sts.

Work 3 rows in garter st (knit every row).

Starting with a knit row (RS), work in St st until piece from joining row measures 4.5 (5, 5)"/11.5 (12.5, 12.5)cm, ending with RS facing and inc (dec, dec) 2 (1, 2) sts evenly across last row. 64 sts.

Top Shaping

Row 1 (RS): *K7, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 57 sts.

Row 2 and all WS rows: Purl.

Row 3: *K6, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 50 sts.

Row 5: *K5, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 43 sts.

Row 7: *K4, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 36 sts.

Row 9: *K3, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 29 sts.

Row 11: *K2, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 22 sts.

Row 13: *K1, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 15 sts.

Row 15: *K2tog; rep from * to last st, k1. 8 sts.

Break yarn, leaving a long end. Draw end tightly through rem sts and fasten securely.

Sew center back seam.

Tie: (make 2)

Cut nine 20"/51cm lengths of yarn. Draw strands halfway through center of lower edge of First Ear Flap. Divide strands into 3 groups of 3 and braid into tie. Secure ends and trim evenly.

Repeat for Second Ear Flap.

GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS

Beg, beginning; cont, continue; cm, centimeters; dec, decrease; in, inches; inc, increase; k, knit; k2tog, knit 2 together; m1, make 1 st; p, purl; p2tog, purl 2 together; rem, remain(ing); rep, repeat; RS, right side; rnd, round; skp, slip 1 st, knit 1 st, pass the slip st over the knit st; sl, slip; st(s), stitch(es); St st, stocking st; tog, together; WS, wrong side, yo, yarn over.

N.B. Instructions are given for the smallest size with other sizes shown in brackets thus (,).