

Tasseled Earflap Hat



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Bring out your inner sprite with a whimsical hat in sun-dappled forest shades.

EARFLAP ONE

With 2 dpns, cast on 3 sts. Work in St st for 2 rows.

Row 3 (inc) (RS) K1, M1, k1, M1, k1—5 sts.

Row 4 Purl. **Row 5 (inc)** K1, M1, k3, M1, k1—7 sts.

Row 6 Purl. **Row 7** K1, M1, k5, M1, k1—9 sts.

Row 8 Purl. Cut yarn, leaving a 6"/15cm tail. Set piece aside.

EARFLAP TWO

Work as for Earflap One, without cutting yarn at end of last row. Cast on 4 (5) sts at right side of earflap, change to circular needle.

HAT BODY

Notes

- 1) Due to the nature of handpainted yarn, work with 2 separate balls, alternating one rnd from each ball.
- 2) Change to dpn when sts no longer fit comfortably on circular needle.

Rnd 1 (joining) K across 4 (5) cast-on sts, 9 sts of Earflap Two, cast on 12 (16) sts (front of hat), knit across 9 sts of Earflap One, cast on 4 (5) sts—38 (44) sts. Place marker for end of rnd, join for knitting in the round, taking care not to twist sts.

Rnds 2–11 Knit.

Rnd 12 (dec) K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1—36 (42) sts.

Rnds 13–14 Knit.

Rnd 15 *K4 (5), k2tog; rep from * around—30 (36) sts.

Rnds 16–17 Knit.

Rnd 18 *K3 (4), k2tog; rep from * around—24 (30) sts.

Rnds 19–20 Knit.

Rnd 21 *K2 (3), k2tog; rep from * around—18 (24) sts.

Rnds 22–23 Knit.

Rnd 24 *K1 (2), k2tog; rep from * around—12 (18) sts.

Rnd 25 Knit

Rnd 26 *K0 (1), k2tog; rep from * around—6 (12) sts.

Rnd 27 Knit.

For Large Size Only

Rnd 28 *K2tog; rep from * to marker—6 sts.

Rnd 29 Knit.

For All Sizes

Cut yarn, leaving an 8"/20.5cm tail, thread through rem sts and cinch tightly to close.

FINISH THE HAT

Edging

With crochet hook and RS facing, attach yarn to center back st, ch 1, sc evenly around lower edge of hat and earflaps, working loosely to allow for stretch. Join with sl st to beg st, fasten off and weave in ends.

Ties (make 2)

With crochet hook, attach yarn at point of earflap and chain to 12"/30.5cm (or desired length). Fasten off. Tie ends of chain in knot and bury tails in knot.

Tassel

Wrap yarn around 7"/18cm piece of cardboard 8 times. With separate 16"/40.5cm length of yarn, tie strands together at one end of wrap. Cut strands at opposite end. With a 24"/61cm length of yarn, starting 1"/2.5cm below tied end, wrap yarn around strands a few times, then tie off burying tails in center of tassel. Attach to point of hat securely and weave in tails. ☆

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ ■ ■ EASY



MATERIALS

- Doutones by Blue Sky Alpaca, 3½oz/100g skeins, each approx 45yd/41m (alpaca/wool)
- 2 skeins in #3002 green on green
- One size 15 (10mm) circular needle, 24"/60cm length OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- One set (5) size 15 (10mm) double-pointed needles
- Size K-1012 (6.5mm) crochet hook, large stitch holders (optional), tapestry needle and 7"/18cm piece of cardboard (for tassel)

SIZES

- Sized for Small and Large. Shown in size Large.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

- Circumference 19 (22)"/48.5 (56)cm

GAUGE

- 8 sts and 12 rnds to 4"/10cm over St st using size 15 (10mm) needles.

TAKE TIME TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

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