

# Needle & Arts Centre

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## *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.