

alpaca earflaps

You need:

Yarn

Ozyarn Alpaca 50g balls

Ebony (E) 1 Pewter (P) 1 Quartz (Q) 1

Needles

set of 4 double pointed needles – 4.00mm (or size to achieve correct gauge)

crochet hook - 4mm

Gauge

20sts to 10cm over stocking stitch

Abbreviations used:

K knit

sts stitches

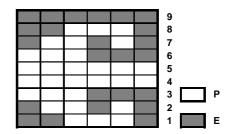
K2tog knit two stitches together

Earflaps

Using E and 4mm DP needles, cast on 3 sts. Row 1 inc in first st, knit to last st, inc. (5 sts) Row 2 Purl

Repeat last 2 row until 19 sts and then end with a purl row.

Join in C and work **Chart 1** below Leave these sts on a stitch holder.



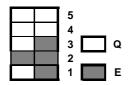
Make another earflap the same way.

Hat Body

Using Q, cast on 18 sts (for front of cap) then knit across 19 st of first earflap. On second needle, cast on 37 sts. On third needle, cast on 15 sts then knit across 19 sts of second earflap. This will give you a total of 108 sts distributed across three double pointed needles in the following count: 37, 37. 34.

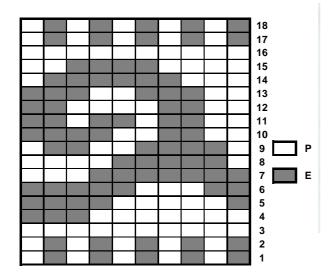


Join stitches in the round and place a marker. Work 3 rounds then work **Chart 2** below



Knit one round, increasing 1 st at approximately the centre of each earflap. (110 sts)

Work Chart 3 below



Work the next 3 rounds in Q only.

Round 1 Knit, decreasing 1 st at approx-

mately the centre of each earflap.

(108 sts)

Round 2 [K4, K2tog] repeat to end. (90sts)

Round 3 Knit.

Work Chart 4 below



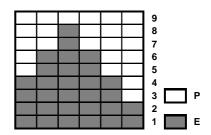
Work the next 2 rounds in Q only.

Round 1 [K5, k2tog] repeat to last 6sts, knit 6.

(78 sts)

Round 2 Knit

Work Chart 5 below



Crown

Work the remaining rounds in E only.

Round 1	[k4 k2tog] repeat to end.
Round 2	[k3 k2tog] repeat to end.
Round 3	[k2 k2tog] repeat to end.
Round 4	[k1 k2tog] repeat to end.
Round 5	k2tog to end. (13 sts).



Break off yarn and thread end into darning needle. Draw thread up through remaining sts and fasten securely.

Ties

Using E, pick up and knit 3 sts across cast on edge of earflap. Work I-Cord for 25cm. Break off yarn, draw through sts and fasten off. Tie a loose knot at end of tie. Repeat for second earflap.

Using E, work one round of double crochet around edge of cap to neaten edges.

How to knit I-Cord

Knit across the sts then without turning the needle, slide sts to opposite end of needle and pull yarn around the back of the work and knit across them again. Repeat this until cord is the desired length.

