



Lion Brand<sup>®</sup> Local Grown Earflap Hat

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## SIZE

## **Finished Circumference**

About 21 in. (53.5 cm), will stretch to fit a range of sizes

#### GAUGE

17 sts + 20 rnds = about 4 in. (10 cm) over St st worked in rnds (k every st of every rnd) and Fair Isle colorwork. BE SURE TO CHECK GAUGE.

# MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® LOCAL GROWN (Art. #668) #133 Maple 1 ball (A) #191 Lilac 1 ball (B)
- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> stitch markers
- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> stitch holders
- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> large-eyed blunt needle
- Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 16 in. (40 cm) long
- Double pointed knitting needles size 8 (5 mm), set of 4
- Pom-pom maker

## STITCH EXPLANATION

**kfb (knit in front and back)** Knit next st without removing it from left needle, then knit through back of same st – 1 st increased.

**ssk (slip, slip, knit)** Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and knit them tog – 1 st decreased.

## HAT

With A, cast on 6 sts. Divide sts onto double pointed needles, placing 2 sts on each of 3 needles. Place marker for beg of rnd. Join by working the first st on left hand needle with the working yarn from the right hand needle and being careful not to twist sts.

#### Top of Hat

**Rnd 1:** With A, (kfb) 6 times – you will have 12 sts in this rnd.

**Note:** Stich markers are placed in next rnd to indicate increase locations. Beg of rnd marker also serves as an increase location marker. To avoid confusion, use a unique color marker for beg of rnd marker.

**Rnd 2:** With A, (p2, place marker (pm)) 5 times, p2 – you will have 2 sts between markers.

**Rnd 3 (Increase Rnd):** With A, kfb, (k to next marker, slip marker (sm), kfb) 5 times, k to end of rnd – 18 sts (3 sts between markers).

**Rnd 4:** With A, purl, slipping markers as you come to them.

**Rnds 5-14:** With A, rep Rnds 3 and 4 for 5 more times – 48 sts (8 sts between markers).

#### Stripes

**Rnds 15 and 16:** With B, rep Rnds 3 and 4 – 54 sts (9 sts between markers). **Rnds 17 and 18:** With A, rep Rnds 3 and 4 – 60 sts (10 sts between markers). **Rnds 19-26:** Rep Rnds 15-18 twice, changing to circular needle when sts have

been sufficiently increased – 84 sts (14 sts between markers). **Rnd 27:** Rep Rnds 15 and 16, removing

markers as you work Rnd 16 – 90 sts (15 sts between markers).

# Charted Fair Isle Colorwork

**Rnd 1:** Knit AND change yarn color following Row 1 of Chart.



#### NOTES

- 1. Hat is worked in rnds from the top downwards.
- Work begins on double pointed needles, changing to circular needle when sts have been sufficiently increased.
- Top of Hat is worked in Garter st worked in rnds (knit 1 rnd, purl 1 rnd) and shaped with increases. Body of Hat is worked in St st worked in rnds (k every st of every rnd) and Fair Isle colorwork following Chart. Read all rnds of Chart from right to left. Carry color not in use across WS of work. If carrying color across 5 or more sts, twist yarns on WS to prevent overly long strands (floats) on the WS.
- 4. After body of Hat is complete, sts are bound off for back and front of Hat and earflaps are worked in Garter st worked in rows (k every st of every row). Work earflaps using 2 double pointed needles or circular needle, working back and forth in rows as if working with straight needles.
- 5. I-cord Ties are worked directly onto lower tips of earflap

# ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ing)
k = knit
k2tog = knit 2 stitches together
p = purl
rep = repeat(ing)
rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
St st = Stockinette stitch
st(s) = stitch(es)
WS = wrong side





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**Rnds 2-24:** Beg with Rnd 2 of Chart, work in St st worked in rnds (k every st of every rnd) AND change yarn color following Chart, repeating the 6-st pattern 15 times in each rnd, until all 24 rnds of Chart have been completed. With B, knit 1 rnd. With B, purl 1 rnd. With A, knit 1 rnd.

# **Bind off for Front and Back**

**Next Rnd:** With A, bind off 10 sts as if to purl for back of Hat, p17 and place these sts on a holder for first earflap, bind off 36 as if to purl for front of Hat, p17 and place these sts on a holder for second earflap, bind off last 10 sts for back of Hat. Cut yarn.

## **First Earflap**

Return 17 first earflap sts to a double pointed needle or circular needle, so that you are ready to work a RS row. Work back and forth in rows.

Rows 1 and 2: With B, knit 2 rows. Rows 3 and 4: With A, knit 2 rows. Rows 5-16: Rep Rows 1-4 for 3 more times. Rows 17 and 18: With B, knit 2 rows. Cut B. Work remainder of earflap with A only. Row 19 (Decrease Row – RS): K1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 – 15 sts. Row 20: Knit. Rep Rows 19 and 20 for 5 more times – 5 sts

remain when all decreases have been completed.

I-cord Tie: Using 2 double pointed needles, knit the 5 sts. Do not turn work. \* Slide sts to other end of needle and knit them, pulling yarn tightly across the back of the work, (do not turn work); rep from \* until cord measures about 10 in. (25.5 cm) long. Bind off.

#### **Second Earflap**

Work same as first earflap.

# FINISHING

Follow package directions to make a pompom using yarn colors of your choice. Tie pom-pom to top of Hat.

Weave in ends.

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