

Very small premature baby (675 – 900 gram)

Hat measures 18cm circumference, 9 cm high.

Using 4mm needles and 8 ply yarn, cast on 36 stitches.

1st row: Knit

Repeat this row 7 more times.

9th row: Knit

10th row: Purl

Repeat the last two rows 7 more times.

25th row: *K3, k2tog, repeat from * to last st, k1 (29 sts)

26th row: Purl

27th row: *K2, k2tog, repeat from * to last st, k1 (22 sts)

28th row: Purl

29th row: *K1, k2tog, repeat from* to last st, k1 (15sts)

30th row: Purl

31st row: K2tog across row to last st, k1 (8sts)

Cut the yarn, leaving a 'tail'.

With a yarn needle, pull the yarn through all the remaining loops and secure.

Sew up side seam using mattress stitch and weave in ends.



Ears: (make 2)

Cast on 7 sts.

Rows 1-17: Knit

18th row: K2tog, k3, k2tog

19th row: Knit

20th row: K2 tog, k1, k2tog

Cut yarn, pull the yarn through the 3 remaining loops gently to form sloping top of ear, secure and weave in ends.

Pinch the ear together at the bottom to create a 3-D shape and sew the bottom corners together. Sew both ears closely together at top of hat.

