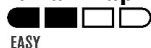


## Knit Ear Flap Hat



EASY

**Directions are for size Small/Medium; changes for size Medium/Large are in parentheses.**

**MODA DEA® "Tweedle Dee™":** 1 Ball No. 8911 Blue Heather.

**Knitting Needles:** 6mm [US 10].

**Double Pointed Needles:** 6mm [US 10].

Stitch holder; yarn needle.

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**GAUGE:** 14 sts = 4"; 18 rows = 4" in St st. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

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**Hat Circumference:** 20 (22)".

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**STRAPS (Make 2):** With double pointed needles, cast on 4 sts. \* Knit 4, do NOT turn but slide the stitches to the other end of the needle, pull the yarn tightly across the back of the stitches (this helps to form the tube); rep from \* until strap measures 8 (10)" from beginning. Now form flaps:

**Earflaps:** Working back and forth in rows as usual in Garter st (Knit every row), increase 1 st at each end of every other row by knitting into the front and the back of the stitch until there are 18 (20) sts. Put sts on a holder.

**HAT:** Cast on 8 (9) sts, K18 (20) sts of the Earflap, cast on 18 (20) sts, K18 (20) sts of the second Earflap, cast on 8 (9) sts – 70 (78) sts. Knit 3 rows. Now work in St st, begin K row, until body of the hat measures 4 1/2 (5)", end by working a P row.

**Shape Crown-Row 1 (Right Side):** K1, K2tog, [K13 (15), sl 1, K1, pssso, K2tog] 3 times, K13 (15), sl 1, K1, pssso, K1 – 62 (70) sts.

**Rows 2, 4, 6, 8, 10:** Purl.

**Row 3:** K1, K2tog, [K11 (13), sl 1, K1, pssso, K2tog] 3 times, K11 (13), sl 1, K1, pssso, K1 – 54 (62) sts.

**Row 5:** K1, K2tog, [K9 (11), sl 1, K2tog, pssso, K2tog] 3 times, K9 (11), sl 1, K1, pssso, K1 – 46 (54) sts.

**Row 7:** K1, K2tog, [K7 (9), sl 1, K2tog, pssso, K2tog] 3 times, K7 (9), sl 1, K1, pssso, K1 – 38 (46) sts.

**Row 9:** K1, K2tog, [K5 (7), sl 1, K2tog, pssso, K2tog] 3 times, K5 (7), sl 1, K1, pssso, K1 – 30 (38) sts.

**Size Medium/Large ONLY-Row 11:** K1, K2tog, [K5, sl 1, K2tog, pssso, K2tog] 3 times, K5, sl 1, K1, pssso, K1 – 30 sts.

**Row 12:** Purl.

**Both Sizes-Row 11 (13):** K1, [K2tog, sl 1, K1, pssso] 7 times, K1 – 16 sts.

**Row 13 (15):** P1, [P2tog] 7 times, P1 – 9 sts. Bind off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing.

**Finishing:** Weave yarn tail through remaining sts at crown and draw up tightly; fasten securely then sew back seam. Weave in ends.

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(5 Bulky) MODA DEA® "Tweedle Dee™", Art R151 (3.52 ounce/155 yard ball).

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**ABBREVIATIONS:** K = knit; mm = millimeters; P = purl; pat = pattern; pssso = pass the slipped stitch over; rep = repeat; sl = slip; St st = Stockinette stitch (Knit on right side row; Purl on wrong side row); st(s) = stitch (es); tog = together; \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.