# Elissa's Creative Warehouse

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## Earflap cap

Knitted cap with earflaps done in the round. Double knit flaps, brim and crown. Fair-isle body. I-cord and garter stitch trim.

#### Material needed

Size 6, 16" circular needle and size 6 double-pointed needles 6 stitch markers

Gauge: 6 stitches/inch

Yarn: 5 colors sportweight yarn – Frogtree alpaca sport

Color A: Gold #13 Color B: Teal #307 Color C: Rust #20 Color D: Lilac #511 Color E: Rose #24

## Double knit pattern

These directions are for a flat piece (not done in the round) on an even number of stitches.

Row 1 and all odd-numbered rows:

Using colors B and C, bring both strands of yarn to back of work, K1 with color B.

Bring both strands to front of work, P1 with color C.

Continue across row.

Row 2 and all even-numbered rows:

Using colors B and C, bring both strands of yarn to back of work, K1 with color C.

Bring both strands to front of work, P1 with color B.

Continue across row.

Continue with these 2 rows for double knit pattern stitch

### Hat Pattern:

Ear flaps: Make 2 Cast on 15 stitches.

Using double-pointed needles, work in double knit with colors B and C.

Increase 1 stitch at end of each row until there are 26 stitches on the needle.

Increase 2 stitches at end of next 2 rows, ending with 30 stitches.

#### **Brim:**

Using circular needle and alternating colors B and C (to preserve double-knit pattern), cast on 12 stitches, knit across one flap (making sure to keep the alternating colors and double-knit pattern), cast on 36 stitches, then knit across second flap, cast on 12 stitches, ending with 120 stitches. Being careful not to twist your work, work in double knit pattern in the round for 6 more rows.

## Garter stitch stripe:

Row 1 (increase row): Using color A, K9, knit back and front of next stitch, K9, knit back and front of next stitch, repeat around row, ending with 132 stitches.

Row 2: Purl (you are making garter stitch in the round). Place stitch markers at center front and center back.



#### Band:

Using colors B, C, D, and E, follow color work pattern 1 for 5 rows.

#### Garter stitch stripe:

Using color A, knit 1 row and purl 1 row.

#### Body:

Using colors B, C, D, and E and centering pattern repeats on the center front and center back markers, follow color work pattern 2 for 20 rows (2 vertical repeats).

## **Garter stitch stripe:**

Using color A, knit 1 row and purl 1 row.

#### **Band:**

Using colors B, C, D, and E, follow color work pattern 1 for 5 rows.

### **Garter stitch stripe:**

Row 1 (decrease row):

Using color A, K9, k2tog, K9, K2tog, place marker, repeat to center front marker, slip marker, repeat to back marker. End with 120 stitches with 6 markers evenly spaced.

Row 2: Purl.

#### **Crown:**

Row 1 (and all odd-numbered rows): Using colors C and D, do 1 row of double-knit around hat.

Row 2 (and all even-numbered rows): Continuing with colors C and D, double-knit until 4 stitches away from first stitch marker, slip 1, knit one, pass slipped stitch over knit stitch, purl 2 together. Repeat around row, ending with 108 stitches.

Continue with row 1 and row 2 until 12 stitches remain. Change to double-pointed needles when needed.

#### I-cord tail:

With color A, knit 2 together around row ending with 6 stitches. Continue making an I-cord on 6 stitches for 3" or desired length. Bind off.

#### **Garter stitch border:**

Row 1: With color A, start at center back on lower edge, pick up 12 stitches,

then 42 stitches around first ear flap, then 36 stitches across front, then 42 stitches around second ear flap, then 12 stitches to back center.

Row 2: Using a purl stitch, bind off loosely.