



Knitting patterns – women's accessories

Design No. 1 – 'Excelsior' angora hat

Suggested yarn: 8 – 9 ¼-ounce balls of Copley's 'Excelsior' angora. NB Owing to the comparatively short length of yarn in a ball of angora, the SLIGHTEST variation in tension affects the quantity of yarn used. The quantity specified is therefore only approximate, and it is advisable to purchase the greater amount stated.

Needle size: 1 No. 10 'Stratnoid' crochet hook.

Tension: Work to produce 7 'clusters' to 3 inches in width.

Abbreviations: St. – stitch. D.c. – double crochet. Ch. – chain.

TO MAKE

Work 94 ch. Join into a ring with a slip st. Proceed in cluster pattern as follows:

1st Round: Wool over hook, insert the hook into the first ch., i.e., that into which the slip st. was worked, wool over hook and draw the loop through the ch., (wool over hook, insert the hook into the same ch. as before, wool over the hook and draw the loop through the ch.) 3 times, 4 loops in all being drawn through the ch., wool over hook and draw through all the loops on the hook (this action will be referred to as a 'cluster'), work 1 ch., * miss 1 ch., work a cluster in the next ch., work 1 ch. Repeat from * to the last ch., miss the last ch. and join with a slip st. to the top of the first cluster. (47 clusters in the round.)

2nd Round: Work a cluster in the space between the first and last clusters of the previous round, 1 ch., * work a cluster between the next 2 clusters of the previous round, 1 ch. Repeat from * to the end. Join with a slip st. to the top of the first cluster as before.

Repeat the 2nd round 10 times more.

Work the Top as follows, marking the commencement of the round with a coloured thread:

1st Round: * Work 6 ch., miss the space between the next 2 clusters, 1 d.c. into the next space. Repeat from * to the end, leaving one cluster at the end of the round. (23 loops in the round.)

2nd Round: 5 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the previous round, * 5 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 5 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round.

3rd Round: * 4 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop of the previous round. Repeat from * to the end, 4 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round.

4th Round: * (4 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop) 3 times, 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the last 3 loops, 4 ch., 1 d.c. into each of the last 3 loops, 4 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round.

5th Round: * 3 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 3 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round. (18 loops now in the round.)

6th Round: * (3 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop) 4 times, 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the last 3 loops, 3 ch., 1 d.c. into each of the last 3 loops, 3 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round.

7th Round: * 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round. (15 loops now in the round.)

8th Round: As the 7th round.

9th Round: * (2 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop) 4 times, 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round.

10th Round: * 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round. (12 loops now in the round.)

11th Round: * (2 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop) twice, 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 2 ch., 1 d.c., into the first loop of the round.

12th Round: * 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 2 ch., 1 d.c. into the first loop of the round. (8 loops now in the round.)

Break off the wool leaving an end. Thread through the remaining loops, draw up and fasten off securely.

THE SNOOD

Join the wool into a space between 2 clusters and proceed as follows:

1st Row: * 6 ch., miss the next space, 1 d.c. into the next space. Repeat from * 11 times more (12 loops in all), 6 ch., turn.

2nd Row: 1 d.c. into the last loop of the previous row, * 6 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 6 ch., 1 d.c. in the space into which the wool was joined at the commencement, 6 ch., turn.

3rd Row: 1 d.c. into the last loop of the previous row, * 6 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 6 ch., 1 d.c. again in the last loop, 6 ch., turn. (14 loops now in the row.)

4th Row: 1 d.c. into the last loop of the previous row, * 6 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the end, 6 ch., turn.

Repeat the 4th row 13 times more.

Next Row: 1 d.c. into the last loop of the previous row, * 6 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop. Repeat from * to the last 2 loops, 6 ch., turn.

Repeat the last row twice more.

Next Row: 1 d.c. into the last loop of the previous row, * 6 ch., 1 d.c. into the next loop.
Repeat from * to the last 2 loops.

Fasten off.

TO COMPLETE

With the right side of the Hat facing, form a tuck, 2 clusters deep, at the point where the loop st. top was commenced, and lightly stitch along this line to keep in position.

Thread the required length of elastic through the outside loops of the snood, and stitch the ends to the wrong side of the Hat.