

Skull & Bones Earwarmer (c)Severina/Aundrea Murphy 2006

This project is perfect if you have big fake hair, dreadlocks, or just need to let steam come out of the top of your head from time to time.

Finished Measurements:

One (adult) size. As knitted this ski band will fit heads 20"-24" and is 4" wide.

Gauge:

32 stitches and 40 rows over 4" of stockinette stitch.

Materials:

Brown Sheep Wildefoote Luxury Sock Yarn (wool/nylon), 1 ball black, 1 ball white. Size 2mm single-pointed knitting needles. 1 darning needle.

Note:

Ski band can either be knitted on single-pointed needles and then sewn together, or on 15" circular needle or long double-pointed needles to avoid the inevitable seam up the back.

You could also put a stripe of color across the center 4-6 stitches of the skull chart, fair isle style.

Abbreviations:

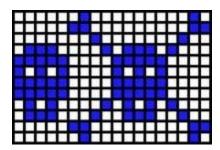
K- knit

P- purl

Sts- stitches

Inc-increase

Dec-decrease



Directions:

Cast on 160 sts in black.

Work 12 rows of k2, p2 rib.

Inc 2 sts.

K 1 row, p1 row.

Work chart in white, repeating skulls across row.

K1 row, p1 row.

Dec 2 sts.

Work 12 rows of k2, p2 rib.

Bind off in rib, leaving long tail to sew edges together.

Sew seam together, being careful not to distort skull motifs, but edge of skull can be repaired with duplicate stitch and white yarn.

Block ski band without stretching rib.

Feel free to use this pattern for whatever nefarious purposes you can think of including putting it on the cat or sitting alone in your apartment rubbing it all over yourself, but **excluding** selling it and/or claiming it's yours.

Old version of pattern:

http://vintagestitchorama.blogspot.com/2006/06/it-aint-vintage-now-but-it-will-be-in.html