**BALACLAVAS**

Needles – 1 pair no 10, 1 pair no 8. 100 grams double knitting wool, any colour.

With no 8 needles cast on 150 stitches.

**1st row –** K2 (P2,K2) to end of row

**2nd row –** P2 (K2,P2) to end of row

Repeat 1st and 2nd rows until work measures 6 ins

**Next row –** (K2, P2) 3 times and slip these stitches onto a safety pin. (K2, P2) to last 12 stitches and slip these onto a safety pin.

Continue in rib and decrease 1 stitch at each end of the next 4 rows, then the following 2 alternate rows (114 stitches). Continue until work measures 12 ins.

**Crown**

**1st row** - Work 71, sl.1 K2 tog, psso, turn

**2nd row -** Work 29, P3 tog, turn

**3rd row** – Work 29, sl.1, K1 psso, turn

**4th row** – Work 29, P2tog, turn

**5th row** – Work29, sl.1, K2 tog, psso, turn

**6th row** – Work 29, P3 tog, turn

Repeat from 3rd to 6th row 12 times then 3rd and 4th rows once (30 stitches)

**Next row** – Work to end, pick up and P1 along side edge of next row down

**Next row** – Work to end, pick up and K1 along side edge of next row down.

Repeat last two rows

**Next row** – Work to end, pick up and K1 along side edge of next row down.

**Next row** – Work to end, pick up and P1 along side edge of next row down.

Repeat last two rows (38 stitches). Break off wool and leave stitches on a needle.

Slip 12 stitches from first safety pin onto a size 10 needle. Rejoin wool and pick and knit 20 stitches along side edge to stitches on needle, work 38 stitches from needle, pick up and knit 20 stitches along side edge to stitches on second safety pin and work these 12 stitches.

**1st row –** P2, (K2, P2) to end

**2nd row** – K2 (P2, K2) to end

Repeat last 2 rows twice, then 1st row once.

Cast off loosely in rib.

Sew front neck seam

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