

## Tunisian Crochet Hat

Materials: Grousemoor Chunky 1 x100g Black 217 & 1 x 100g Grey 194
5mm Tunisian crochet needle
Note:- A row in this pattern means forward and return.

## Ear Flaps (make 2)

Using Grey, make of chain of 5 stitches, and then work one foundation row, forwards and back. Continuing in Tunisian Simple stitch (TSS), increase 1 stitch at each end of each row until there are13 stitches. Work 2 rows straight. Increase 1 stitch each end of next row. Repeat from \* once more., and then work two more rows straight. 17 stitches. Leave to one side.

## Main body of hat

Using Grey chain 28 stitches, work foundation row forwards and back. Leave to one side. (Front)



Chain 14 stitches, work foundation row forwards and back. Leave to one side. ( right hand Back)

Chain 14 stitches, work foundation row forwards and back. Continue in TSS on these 14 stitches, then on 17 stitches from one ear flap, the 28 stitches from the front section, 17 stitches from the second ear flap, and finally 14 stitches from the right hand back. 90 stitches in total.

Continuing in TSS, work 2 rows in grey, 3 rows in Black, 2 in grey, 3 in black, 2 more in grey and finally 2 in black.

#### Shaping for top.

Change back to Grey yarn.

\*\*Decrease 1 stitch at beginning of row, work 18 st. straight, Decrease 1 st., work one straight, decrease 1 stitch, work 18 stitches straight, decrease 1 stitch; repeat from \*\*. 82 stitches remain.

Repeat the row above, working 16,14,12,10,8,6,4,2,0 stitches straight each time, (74,66,58,50,42,34,26,18,10 stitches remain).

Work 2 stitches together across the forward part of the row, and draw thread through these last 5 stitches, pulling up to close top of hat.

# To make up and finish.

Neatly sew up the centre back seam. Finish off all loose ends. Using black yarn work a row of double crochet around the lower edge, starting and finishing in the centre of one of the ear flaps. Cut 5, 75cm lengths of grey and the same in black yarn. Fold in half, and loop through the bottom of the ear flap. Plait, and tie off at bottom to create required length of tie. Repeat for the other ear flap. Repeat with 3 lengths of each colour at the centre top of the hat, and trim to required length.