

How to crochet

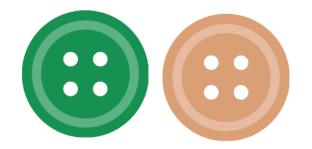
**Ear Savers** 



## **Supplies needed:**



- Yarn: Acrylic or cotton yarn (Recommended for cleaning purposes). If you are hoping to donate these for healthcare workers, make sure they are accepting donations, and check which material is best for that workplace.
- Crochet hook 4.5 mm
- 2 Buttons
- Yarn needle for attaching buttons



This makes a size medium, if you want your ear saver smaller/bigger, just adjust the number of chains at the start.



## **Instructions (USA Crochet terms)**

Make a slip knot

Chain 16

At the end of the chains, do 2 single crochets in the 2<sup>nd</sup> stitch from the needle.





Continue to crochet along the line, 1 single crochet in every stitch.

At the end of the row we need to increase the stitches to be able to turn the corner. Crochet 4 single crochets into the last loop.



Follow the corner around and do 1 single crochet into each stitch all the way until the end of the row.

At the end of the row, place 2 single crochet into the last stitch.

Slip stitch to connect.



Chain 2

1 half double crochet in each stitch until the end.





At the end of the row, we need to increase again: Do 1 half double crochet, then 2 half double crochets into the next 2 stitches. Then 1 half double crochet into the next stitch.



Continue to put 1 half double crochet in each stitch along the row.

At the end of the row, we need to complete the increases. Increase by doing 2 half double crochet's in the last 2 stitches.

Slip stitch to join.





Cut the wool and thread through to finish. Weave tails through to where you want the buttons.

Using the tails, sew on the buttons with a yarn needle.





You are finished!

## **No Buttons?**

While buttons are ideal, if you don't have any at home, you can crochet padded circles on to your mask instead.

Make a slip knot.

Chain 3

Slip stitch to the first chain to connect, making a circle.





Working into the centre of the circle, half double crochet all the way around, approximately 11 stitches.

Slip stitch to connect.

Cut the yarn and tie off, tightening the tails.



Tie the tails together. Thread the tails on to the ear saver and tie on. Weave the tails through.



You are finished!

