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A Note from the Editor.....



It's so hard to believe that it's already August! Where did the summer months go? Now that fireworks are behind us, fall is ahead of us! This issue includes a number of fun patterns that are perfect for beginners and beyond.

I want to make sure that you notice that all of the patterns are different... and for a great reason! Each designer has their own style, and Inspired Crochet wants to fairly represent them in that light. It is perfect for you as a reader as well so that you can make a fair and honest decision on whether you can understand the way each designer writes their pattern.

Here's to a great August! May you find some quiet time to enjoy your patterns and crochet!

From one crocheter to another.....

Kristi Simpson

From Inspired Fans



January's Issue has been so popular! This mermaid set paired with 11 other patterns are so inspiring! Did you know that you could get this issue, as well as the entire **collection** of back issues when you subscribe? That's a HUGE savings! And a fun way to stay inspired each month!

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I love seeing articles and patterns from such talented designers - especially those whose blogs that I follow. Crochet has come a long way from when I began crocheting!

Elizabeth Hasler

HUGE ANNOUNCEMENT!

September's issue will be our 1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY ISSUE! It will be packed with at least 10 EXCLUSIVE NEW RELEASE PATTERNS from our designers just for Inspired Crochet! The articles, shop features and other goodies will be amazing...and trust me, you don't want to miss out on this awesome celebration issue! We are also working hard into October, November and December..... and the patterns that designers are creating are UNBELIEVABLE! So, make sure you're subscribed so you don't miss out! www.InspiredCrochet.com



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So Kristi a dear friend of mine (AKA RAKJpatterns) asked me to write a blurb about myself, and to tell you the truth that's not an easy task. I can write patterns all day long, but the moment I have to write something without acronyms I shudder. Thank goodness for spellcheck!

I picked up crocheting when I was around 8-10 years old, and like most; lost the hobby quick. I suppose we just get too distracted as kids to really focus on one thing. I picked the hobby back up last October. Yes! Not even a year ago! The only stitches I could do were Double Crochet and Single Crochet.

We had family photos coming up and I so desperately wanted my new 5 week old to have one of those super cute hats you always see newborns wearing. I looked on craigslist and the only lady I found couldn't have it ready for 2 days minimum. Well with photos the next day that just wouldn't do! So I stayed up and worked on the most simplest of hats until 3 A.M. Well 6 hours later this is what I had...



Here I am just 11 months later with 57 soon to be 58 patterns released, 4 sites that I sell my patterns on. A Handspun yarn business, 1 helping "employee" to fill customs (Who by the way does a FABULOUS job no one can tell the difference!), and I'm taking up photography for my patterns.

My husband and I met while we were both active duty in the United States Air Force and stationed in Okinawa, Japan. I know I love telling people that; it always brings a smile to everyone's face. I know you smiled, don't deny it! I'm from Iowa and he's from Oklahoma so I came here with him. One year later we were married, 1 year later we had our first son, and 2 years after that our second son. My husband is also a Youth Pastor and I love that job. I get to spoil a bunch of teenage girls then send them home to their mommas.

I have an eye for 3D and most of my patterns are in a 3 dimension. I blame this on the Military training. They always drilled attention to detail, and that's exactly what I do when I make a pattern. I look for every possible way to make it better or more detailed. Pattern writing is my passion, and although I love to spin yarn I don't get the time to do it as much as I'd like. I spend most of my day on the computer typing or editing a pattern and photos; or with my hands on some fiber making a pattern.

I'm so happy you have taken the time to get to know me; Nicole Thompson; a little better and I hope to be able to assist you in some way with my patterns. Take Care and God Bless!





Little Follower



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What you'll need:

- K hook 6.5 mm, and G hook 4.25 mm
- Worsted Weight: Yellow, Black, White, Red, Grey, Blue and Brown
- Tapestry needle for weaving in tails
- Small amount of Stuffing for eyes

Stitches Used:

- **SL ST:** Slip Stitch - insert hook, pull up loop and through 1st loop on hook.
- **SC:** Single Crochet - insert hook into stitch, YO & pull up a loop, YO, pull through both loops on hook.
- **HDC:** Half-Double Crochet - YO, insert hook into stitch, YO & pull up a loop, YO, pull through all 3 loops on hook.
- **DC:** Double Crochet - YO, insert hook into stitch, YO & pull up a loop, YO, pull through 2 loops, YO, pull through remaining 2 loops on hook.
- **HDC2TOG:** Half Double Crochet 2 together-
YO, Insert Hook into 1st ST, YO, & Pull up a loop, YO, Insert Hook into next ST, YO, & Pull up a loop, YO, Pull through all loops on hook.
- **HDC3(4)TOG:** Half Double Crochet 3 (4) together-
YO, Insert Hook into 1st ST, YO, & Pull up a loop, YO, Insert Hook into next ST, YO, & Pull up a loop, YO, Insert Hook into next ST, YO, & Pull up a loop, YO, Pull through all loops on hook.

Notes: Always join with a SL ST to first stitch of round (this means you will also be working your first stitches of each RND into the same stitch you joined to).

Gauge: (Please check your gauge as I crochet kind of tight)
Using “K” hook and HDC with Worsted Weight Yarn
6 stitches to 2 inches

To obtain gauge:

Make a chain a little over 2 inches. Do 1 HDC in 2nd CH from hook and across. CH1 turn and HDC across until your swatch is a little over 2 inches. Then with your ruler count how many stitches you have in 2 inches.

Adjust if needed to obtain my gauge above.

Circumference sizing: If you match gauge this is the size you will get without stretch (all hats will stretch an inch or two)

0-3 months your hat will measure about **13 inches**

3-9 months your hat will measure about **15.75 inches**

9-24 months your hat will measure about **18.25 inches**

3-10 years your hat will measure about **20.75 inches**

Teen-Adult your hat will measure about **22.7 inches**

Pattern Instructions:

Hat: Use K hook (or hook you used to obtain gauge) and Yellow

Start by making the Magic Ring

RND 1. CH 2, Do 8 HDC's in the ring (8) Tighten loop, SL ST to 1st HDC

RND 2. CH 1, Do 2 HDC in same ST *Do 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (16)

RND 3. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next ST, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (24)

RND 4. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next ST, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 2 ST's, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (32)

RND 5. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next 2 ST's, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 3 ST's, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (40)

****Stop here and move to RND 10 for 0-3 months sizing****

RND 6. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next 3 ST's, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 4 ST's, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (48)

****Stop here and move to RND 10 for 3-9 months sizing****

RND 7. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next 4 ST's, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 5 ST's, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (56)

****Stop here and move to RND 10 for 9-24 months sizing****

RND 8. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next 5 ST's, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 6 ST's, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (64)

****Stop here and move to RND 10 for 3-10 Years sizing****

RND 9. CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next 14 ST's, 2 HDC in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 15 ST's, 2 HDC in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (68)

****Stop here and move to RND 10 for Teen-Adult sizing****

RND 10 until desired length. CH 1, 1 HDC in same ST, *1 HDC in next ST * Repeat *-* till end of RND, SL ST to 1st HDC

Repeat **RND 10** until desired length. Tie off and weave in your tails.

Hat Length Guide:

0-3 Months = (6-6.5" length)

3 - 9 months = (6.5-7" length)

9-24 Months = (7" length)

3 years – 10 years = (7.5" length)

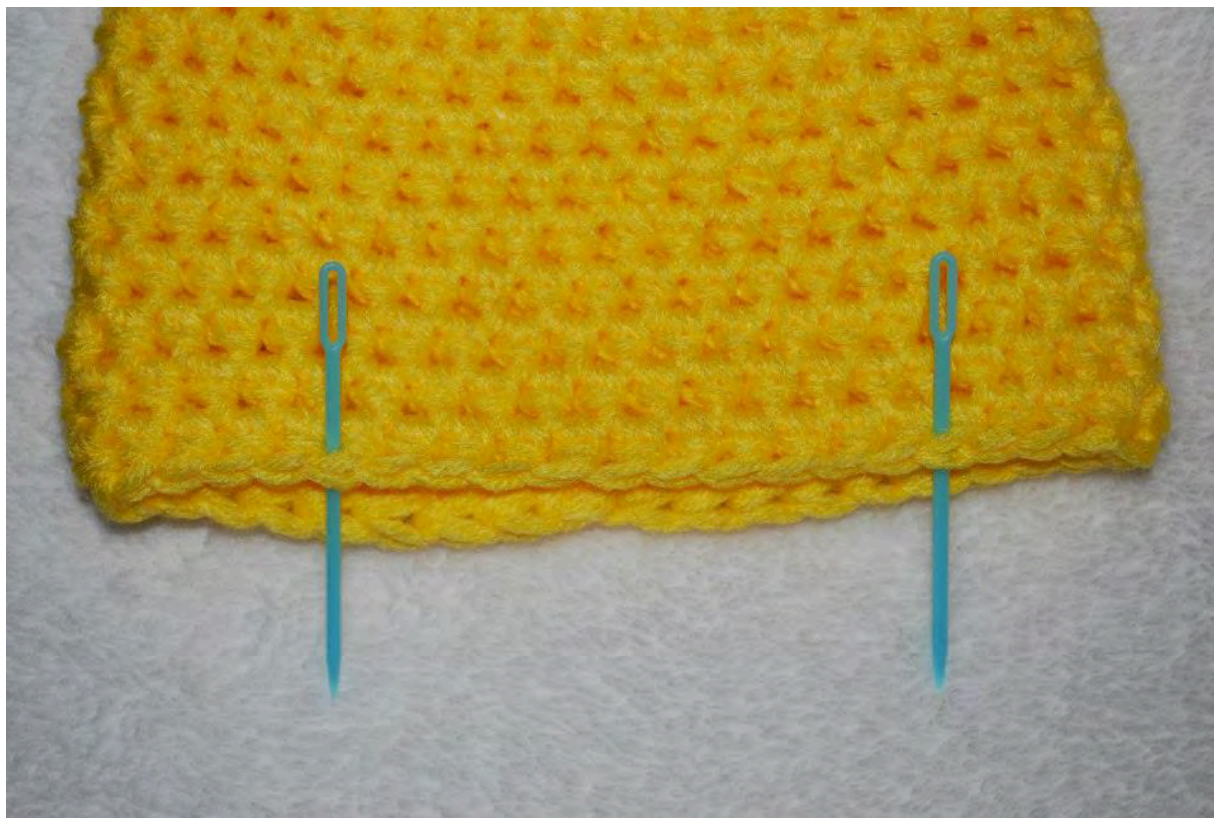
Teens = (7.5-8" length)

Adult Women = (8" length)

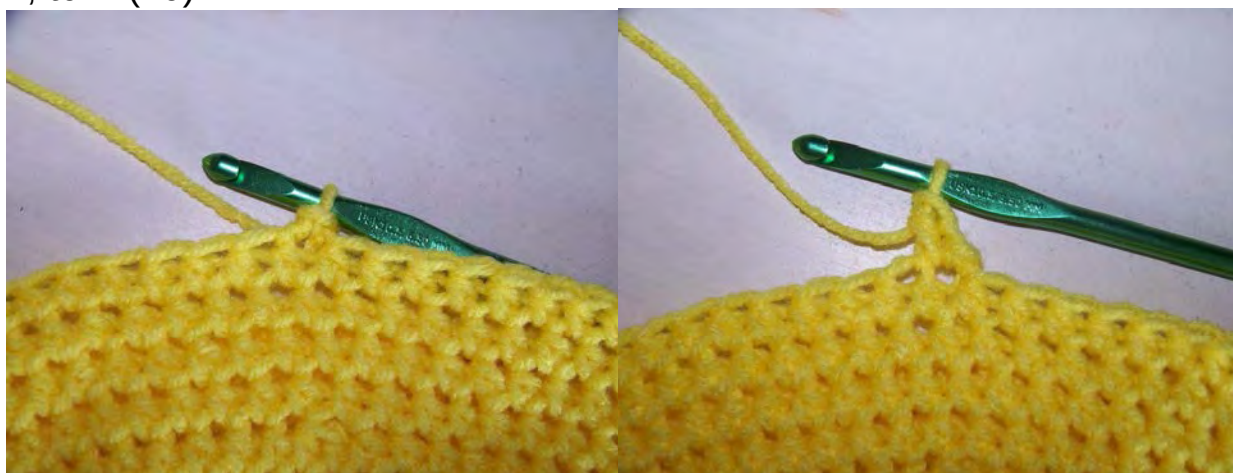
Men = (8-8.5" length)

Ear Flaps: (Optional) if you plan to do these do them in Yellow and use K hook (or hook you used to obtain gauge)

Fold hat in half with knot centered and in the back. Count 5 stitches from the sides toward the front and mark it on both sides.



Row 1. Join Yellow with a SL ST to either of your stitch markers, CH 1 (Working toward the back) 1 HDC in same ST, HDC in next 9 ST's, CH 1, turn (10)



Note: From here on out you will need to pick up back loops. What this means is when making a HDC you will create your normal top 2 loops, but there will also be one on the back side of the stitch. When you turn your work that back loop is facing you. I want you to put your hook under that loop and the top 2 loops. This will make it so

you are working under all 3 loops instead of the normal top 2 (Also known as picking up the back loop).



Row's 2-6: HDC2TOG, HDC 1 in each ST across, CH 1, turn (you will be left with 5 ST's once you've finished **Row 6**)

Tie off and weave in your tails

Trim: Join with SL ST and **Blue** to the back of the hat, CH 1, 1 HDC in same ST, and HDC around. SL ST to 1st HDC and tie off; weave in your tail.

For Braids: (Optional)

Cut 38" strands 12 of each color (black, grey and optional blue), and put 6 of each color in each braid.

Fold each color in half; with hook pull 1 color's folded side through 1 stitch at the bottom of the earflap. Pull second color through the next stitch, and repeat for last color. When you pull them through you need to pull half of it all the way through; braid and knot. Trim the ends so they are all the same length.



Black Goggles Strap: Use K hook (or hook you used to obtain gauge)

Follow size in () (0-3 & 3-9, 9-24, 3-10 & T-A)

CH (3, 4, 5)

Row 1: 1 HDC in 2nd CH from hook, 1 HDC in next (1, 2, 3) CH's, CH 1, turn

Note: From here on out you will need to pick up back loops. What this means is when making a HDC you will create your normal top 2 loops, but there will also be one on the back side of the stitch. When you turn your work that back loop is facing you. I want you to put your hook under that loop and the top 2 loops. This will make it so you are working under all 3 loops instead of the normal top 2 (Also known as picking up the back loop).



Row 2: 1 HDC in next (2, 3, 4) ST's, CH 1, turn

Repeat Row 2 until desired length:

0-3: 13 inches

3-9: 15.75 inches

9-24: 18.25 inches

3-10: 20.75 inches

T-A: 22.7 inches

Line the top of the strap up with the top of the 8th RND of the hat from the Magic Ring. Sew the strap along the top and bottom. If your strap is a tad too long overlap it and if it's a tad too short stretch it while sewing it. (Note: this will only work if you matched gauge, if not your lengths will vary and so will the hat size)

Eyes:

If you are making 1 Large “Eye” Begin using Black and K hook (or hook you used to obtain gauge)

Start by making the Magic Ring

RND 1. (In Black) CH 2, Do 8 HDC's in the ring (8) Tighten loop, Changing colors to Brown SL ST to 1st HDC



How to Change Colors: Insert Hook into 1st ST of RND, and draw through new color drop old color and work your chain with new color. With a needle weave in old color.

RND 2. (In Brown) CH 1, Do 2 SC's in same ST *Do 2 SC's in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC, Changing colors to White (16)

RND 3. (In White) CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 2 HDC's in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next ST, 2 HDC's in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (24)

RND 4. (In White) CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 1 HDC in next ST, 2 HDC's in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next 2 ST's, 2 HDC's in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC(Back 2 loops only, see photo), Changing colors to Grey(32)



RND 5. (In Grey) CH 1, (working in back 2 loops only) 1 HDC in same ST, *1 HDC in next ST* Repeat *-* till end of RND, SL ST to 1st HDC

RND 6. (In Grey) CH 1, (working in BOTH top loops) 1 HDC in same ST, *1 HDC In next ST* Repeat *-* till end of RND, SL ST to 1st HDC. Tie off leaving tail long enough for sewing.

If you are making 2 Smaller “Eyes” Begin using Black and K hook (or hook you used to obtain gauge)

RND 1. (In Black) CH 2, Do 8 HDC's in the ring (8) Tighten loop, SL ST to 1st HDC, Changing colors to Brown



RND 2. (In Brown) CH 1, Do 2 SC's in same ST *Do 2 SC's in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC, Changing colors to White (16)

RND 3. (In White) CH 1, Do 1 HDC in same ST, 2 HDC's in next ST *Do 1 HDC in the next ST, 2 HDC's in the next ST* Repeat *-* SL ST to 1st HDC (Back 2 loops only, see photo), Changing colors to Grey(24)



RND 4. (In Grey) CH 1, (working in back 2 loops only) 1 HDC in same ST, *1 HDC in next ST* Repeat *-* till end of RND, SL ST to 1st HDC

RND 5. (In Grey) CH 1, (working in BOTH top loops) 1 HDC in same ST, *1 HDC In next ST* Repeat *-* till end of RND, SL ST to 1st HDC. Tie off leaving tail long enough for sewing.

After making your eyes; with white and needle stitch 2 glisten spots on the blacks of each eye. Stuff and place on top of the “Black Goggle Strip”. Sew on by sewing over the edges. Once finished tie off and weave in your tails.



Mouth: Use G hook and Black

Follow () for your size (0-3, 3-9 months) (9-24, 3-10 and T-A)

CH (8) or (11),

Row 1: 1 HDC in 2nd CH from hook, 1 HDC in next (6) or (9) CH's, CH 1, turn (7, 8)

Row 2:

0-3 and 3-9 months: HDC2TOG, HDC3TOG, HDC2TOG, CH 1, turn (3)

9-24, 3-10, and T-A: HDC2TOG, HDC2TOG, 1 HDC in next 2 ST's
HDC2TOG, HDC2TOG, CH 1, turn (6)

Row 3:

0-3 and 3-9 months: HDC3TOG, CH 1, SC around the entire mouth, (when you reach the first corner of the mouth CH 3, SL ST to 1st CH, and continue to SC to next corner and repeat CH 3, SL ST to 1st CH)

SL ST to 1st SC of border and tie off leaving tail long enough for sewing.

9-24, 3-10, and T-A: HDC3TOG, HDC3TOG, CH 1, turn (2)

Row 4: (Only for 9-24, 3-10 and T-A) HDC2TOG, CH 1, SC around the entire mouth, (when you reach the first corner of the mouth CH 3, SL ST to 1st CH, and continue to SC to next corner and repeat CH 3, SL ST to 1st CH) SL ST to 1st SC of border and tie off leaving tail long enough for sewing.

Set “Mouth” aside until you finish both the teeth and tongue.

Teeth: Use White and G hook

CH 9,

Row 1: 1 DC in 3rd CH from hook, CH 2, SL ST in next 2 ST's, CH 2, 1 DC in next 2 ST's, CH 2, SL ST in next ST, 1 HDC in next ST, CH 1, SL ST in same ST. Tie off leaving tail long enough to sew to black piece. Tie your tails (slip knot and tie off tails) together. Weave in beginning Slip Knot tail.

Tongue: Use Red and G Hook

CH 5,

Row 1: (Starting in 2nd CH from hook) HDC4TOG, Tie off leaving tail long enough for sewing.

Sew Teeth and Tongue to the black piece of the mouth.

Place Mouth at an angle to the side of the eye(s), and sew on.

Hair: Use Black

Make a tuff of hair at the top of the head. To do this cut 3-5, 4 inch strands of black yarn. Fold in half and with hook pull through any spot(s) on the top of the head. Bring loose ends through the looped end and pull tight. Repeat as many times as you'd like.

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MATERIALS USED:



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SUPER FINE any Fingering Weight Yarn

~ crochet hook 2.5 mm, from B-1 to D-3

~ scissors

FINISHED SIZE:

approximately 4.3/4 in - 12 cm

STITCHES & ABBREVIATIONS: American

ch - chain

sl st (sts) - slip stitch (stitches)

sc - single crochet

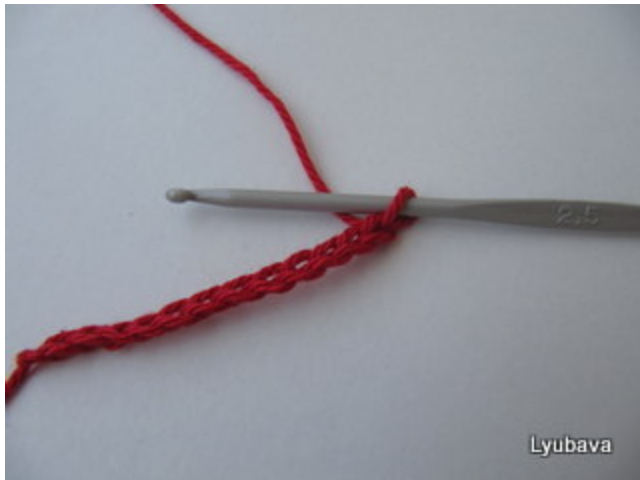
dc - double crochet

dtr - double treble crochet

2-dc cl - 2 double crochet cluster

* - repeat

METHOD: make 12 ch.



Row 1: 1 sc into 2nd st from hook, 1 sc into each next 10 sts, 1 ch, turn.



Row 2 - 9: make 11 sc worked in the back loop only, 1 ch, turn.





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Row 10: in 6th st from hook make * dtr, 1 ch *. Repeat 8 times more (making 9 dtr always insert hook into 6th st from hook, 1 sc in the corner st, 1 ch, * dtr, 1 ch * repeat 9 times, sl st in corner st.



Round 11: 4 ch (count as dc and 1 ch), * dc, 1 ch * repeat from * to * 4 times more, 3 ch, 1 dc into same st in the corner st, * 1 ch, 1 dc * repeat 5 times more on the 2nd side, 1 ch, * make 2-dc cl between dtr previous row, 1 ch * repeat 7 times more,



make 2-dc cl in the center (please look the photo above), continue to work with 2-dc cl on the other side, sl st in 3rd ch.



Round 12: into space between dc make * 1 sc, 3 ch, 1 sc *. Repeat to the end of the round.



In the middle make 2 sc.



Fasten off, weave in end. :)) Congratulations!



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Neon Yellow

When asked what your favorite yarn to use is, as many of us know, it can be hard to choose. I however, chose one of the brightest and softest yarns that I have come across: Hobby Lobby's I Love This Yarn in Neon Yellow. This is the only yarn I have found at a local store in a neon yellow. Originally I bought this yarn just because of its softness on the skein and its color then I came across a hat pattern that I was dying to try with it. The hat I made has a HUGE flower that takes up the bulk of the hat. It is a pattern from Dusty Geest (*Crochet My Love*) and I am in love with it. I started with the idea to make the hat in yellow and the flower in a bright pink from Red Heart Super Saver. Once I made the hat I found out it didn't fit my lovely little big headed baby girl. So I had a problem to solve. I was almost out of the yellow so I swapped out the colors and made the hat pink and the flower yellow. The result was gorgeous. I had several compliments on this hat simply because of its brightness.

So with a little of the skein left I set to think of something else I could make but it took a while. This is a regular worsted weight size 4 yarn by US standards and so easy to work with as it slides across any hook from bamboo to aluminum to plastic very well. My latest project with this yarn was a new one for me. I wanted to make a dress for the little one and a diaper cover as well. However I did not have any pink on hand so I used a slate gray also another Red Heart Super Saver. The neon yellow contrasted well with the gray and I am happy with the results. The dress was worked up without a pattern and the diaper cover was as well. The hat however is a RAKJpatterns pattern. I made the hat the week before I decided upon the dress project.

If you are looking for an amazing color for summer projects I love this yarn's neon line comes in a pink, green, blue, orange and yellow. They are so bright and soft and a great choice for photo props or just for summer.

By April Dominick



Here is a photo of my gorgeous little girl wearing the hat



Here is a photo of the beginning of the dress. It shows the contrast well. I worked this using a size 5mm hook.



Here is the finished set. The hat is the Faith hat from RAKJpatterns. I highly recommend I love this yarn from Hobby Lobby as an alternative to Red Heart Super Saver as it has a much higher quality of softness and I haven't found very many snags or reattachments in it as I have in red Heart.



Amanda's Handmade Hat's and Accessories

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Dinosaur photo prop



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Materials:

6mm J hook

Yarn needle

Measuring tape

Medium weight yarn

Gauge:

3 rows of hdc is 1.5 inches

Hat

Rnd1:Ch2 , 8 sc in 2ndst from hook . Mark with a stmarker . Continue working in continuous rounds.

Rnd 2: 2 hdc in each staround .(16sts)

Rnd3:*1 hdc in 1stst , 2 hdc in next* repeat around (24 sts)

Rnd 4: *1 hdc in next 2 sts , 2hdc in next* repeat around (32 sts)

Rnd5:*1 hdc in next 3 sts , 2hdc in next*repeat around (40sts)

Rnd 6-10 :hdc around .

Slst in next st.

Back Cover

Row 1: Ch1, hdc in next 12 sts. Ch1 , turn. (12sts)
Row 2-3 :hdc in each st across .Ch1 , turn. (12sts)
Row 4: 2 hdc in 1stst ,hdc in next 10 , 2hdc in last st. , Ch1 turn (14sts)
Row 5 :hdc in each st across. Ch1 turn . (14sts)
Row 6: 2hdc in 1stst, hdc in next 12 sts ,2hdc in last . Ch1 ,turn. (16sts)
Row7-14 :hdc in each st across. Ch1 turn (16 sts)
Row 15:hdctog ,hdc in next 12 sts, hdctogCh1 , turn (14sts)
Row16-17: hdc in each st across.Ch1 ,turn.(14 sts)
Row 18: hdctog, hdc in next 10 sts, hdctog.Ch1 , turn(12 sts)
Row 19-20: hdc in each st across . Ch1 turn. (12 sts)
Row 21:hdctog , hdc in next 8 sts, hdctog. Ch1, turn (10 sts)
Row 22 :hdc in each st across . Ch1, turn. (10sts)
Row 23: hdctog ,hdc in next 6 sts ,hdctog. Ch1 turn (8sts)
Row 24: hdc in each st across.Ch1 , turn. (8sts)
Row 25: hdctog ,hdc in next 4sts, hdctog. Ch1, turn (6 sts)
Row 26: hdc in each st across.Ch1 , turn (6 sts)
Row 27:hdctog ,hdc in next 2 sts, hdctog .(4sts) Ch1 , turn
Row 28:hdc in 1stst , hdctog in next , hdc in last. (3sts)
Row 29:hdc in 1stst, slst in last.
Row 30: ch1, sc around the outside edge of the whole item. Fasten off , weave in ends.

Spikes (Make 7)

Rnd 1: ch2 , 6sc in 2ndst from hook , slst to join. (6sts)
Rnd2: ch 1, sc in each st around. (6 sts)
Rnd 3:ch1, sc in next 2 sts, 2sc in next. slst to join(8sts).
Rnd 4: ch1, sc in each st around. Slst to join. (8sts)
Rnd 5: ch1 , *sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next*repeat once , sc in last 2 sts .slst to join(10 sts)
Rnd6:ch1 ,sc around . slst to join.(10 sts)
Rnd 7: Ch1, sc in next 2 sts, 2sc in next st. repeat around 2 times ,sc in last st . Slst to join (13sts)
Rnd 8-9 : Ch1, sc around , slst to join. (13sts)

Fasten off , leave tail of yarn to connect spikes to hat/tail. Fold the hat/tail in half to make spikes easier to attach.

Tasty Cheeseburger



Yarn:

Lily, Sugar 'n Cream (one 2.5oz ball each). Jute (00082), Ecrú (00004), Warm Brown (01130), Orange (01628), Cream (00003), Dark Pine (00016), Mod Green (01223), Country Green (01222), Red (00095), Wine (00015)

Tools: US H (5.00mm) or US I (5.5mm) Hook, Embroidery Needle, Felting Needle

Other Supplies:

Dark Green & Red Wool Fiber
Fiber Fill
Toothpick

Stitches & Abbreviations:

St: Stitch

Ch: Chain

Sl-St: Slip Stitch

Sc: Single Crochet

Dc: Double Crochet

Fpdc: Front Post Double Crochet

Yo, insert hook from front to back to front around post of the next stitch in the previous row or round. Yo, and pull up loop. Yo, draw through 2 loops on hook, 2 times to complete the double crochet stitch.

Bpdc: Back Post Double Crochet

Yo, insert hook from back to front to back around the post of the next stitch in the previous row or round. Yo, draw through 2 loops on hook, 2 times to complete the double crochet stitch.

Notes:

Multiple cheeseburgers (up to 4) can be made by purchasing two(2) 2.5 oz skeins of Jute, and one(1) 2.5 oz skein of each of the remaining colors.



Instructions:

Beef Patty - worked using two strands Warm Brown

1. Ch 3, sl-st in first ch and cinch to create loop.
2. Ch 2 (counts as 1st st here and throughout), dc 11 into center of loop, sl-st into top of first ch to fasten. (12 sts)
3. Ch 2, dc into same st, dc 2 in each stitch to end, sl-st to fasten. (24 sts)
4. Ch 2, dc 2 in next stitch, *dc in next stitch, dc 2 in next stitch, repeat from * to end, sl-st to fasten. Cut, weave in ends. (36 st)



American Cheese Slice - worked using one strand Orange

1. Ch 15.
2. Sc in second ch from hook, sc to end. (14 sts)
3. Ch 1, sc to end.
4. Ch 1, turn, sc a total of 16 rows or until cheese is square. Cut, weave in ends.

Swiss Cheese Slice - worked using one strand Cream

1. Ch 15.
2. Sc in second ch from hook, sc to end. (14 sts)
3. Ch 1, turn, sc a number of rows even and create holes as follows. Sc 5 sts, ch 3, skip 3 sts, sc to end. This creates a hole in the cheese. Create two more holes in the cheese in this fashion. Make holes bigger by chaining and skipping more stitches. Place holes in random places while making the cheese.
4. Sc a total of 16 rows or until cheese is square. Cut, weave in ends.



Tomato Slice - worked using one strand Red

1. Ch 3. Sl-st in first ch and cinch to create loop.
2. Ch 2, dc 11 into center of loop, sl-st to fasten. (12 sts)
3. Ch 2, *skip one st, dc 3 in next st, repeat from * to end, dc 2 in ch 2 space, sl-st to fasten.
4. Ch 2, dc in same st, dc 2 in each st to end, sl-st to fasten.
5. Ch 1, sl-st in each st to end, sl-st to fasten. Cut, weave in ends.

Lettuce Leaf - worked using one strand Mod Green

1. Ch 6.
2. Dc into second chain from hook, dc to end. (5 sts)
3. Ch 2, turn, dc to end. (5 sts)
4. Ch 2, turn, dc to end. (5 sts)
5. Ch 2, turn, 2 bpdcc around the next stitch, 2 fpdc around the next stitch, 2 bpdcc around the next stitch, dc. (8 sts)
6. Ch 2, turn, 2 fpdc around next two sts, 2 bpdcc around next two sts, 2 fpdc around next two sts, dc. (14 sts)
7. Ch 2, turn, 1 bpdcc around next four sts, 1 fpdc around next four sts, dc. (14 sts)
8. Ch 2, turn, dc 2 in each st to end. (28 sts). Cut, weave in ends.





Red Onion Rings - worked using one strand Ecu & Wine

1. With Ecu ch 20, sl-st in first ch and cinch to create loop.
 2. Ch 1, sc to end, sl-st to fasten. (20 sts)
 3. Change to Wine, ch 1, sc to end, sl-st to fasten. Cut, weave in ends.
- Make as many onions as you wish. Change the number of beginning chains to adjust the size of each red onion ring.



Pickle Slices - worked using one strand Country Green & Dark Pine

1. With Country Green ch 3, sl-st in first ch and cinch to create loop.
 2. Ch 1, sc 9 into center of loop, sl-st to fasten. (10 sts)
 3. Change to Dark Pine, ch 1, sc to end, sl-st to fasten. Cut, weave in ends.
- Make as many pickle slices as you wish. Change the number of sc sts put into the center loop to adjust the size of each pickle slice.



Pickle Spear - worked using one strand Country Green & Dark Pine

1. With Dark Pine ch 17, sc in 2nd ch from hook, (sc in the top loop only of each ch st, sc 16, sc in end ch, work back 16 scs on bottom loop of chain, sc in end ch st, sl-st to fasten. (34 sts)
2. Ch 1, sc 16, sc 2, sc 16, sc 2, sl-st to fasten. (36 sts)
3. Change to Country Green, Ch 1, sc in top loop only of each st to end, sl-st to fasten.

4. Ch 1, hold both sides of pickle together and sc through both

loops of ch on front side into the corresponding loops on the back side to close the inside of the spear. Cut, weave in ends. (18 sts)

- Shape pickle spear. Change the number of beginning ch sts to adjust the size of each pickle spear.

Top & Bottom Buns - worked using one strand Ecu & two strands Jute

Begin with 1 strand of Ecu to create the inner part of each side of the bun. (Make 2)

1. Ch 3, sl-st in first ch and cinch to create loop.
2. Ch 1, sc 7 into center of loop, sl-st into first stitch to fasten. (8 sts)
3. Ch 1, sc in same st, sc 2 in each st to end, sl-st to fasten. (16 sts)
4. Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in same st, *sc in next two sts, sc 2 in same st, repeat from * to end, sl-st to fasten. (32 sts)
5. Ch 1, sc 1 in next 2 sts, sc 2 in same st, *sc in next 3 sts, sc 2 in same st, repeat from * to end, sl-st to fasten. Cut yarn and pull end through last loop to fasten end. (40 sts)

Switch to two strands of Jute.

Bottom Bun - Crochet rows 1-5

Hold the outer part and inner part of the bun together.

6. Ch 1, sc through top loop only of the Jute side and through both corresponding loops on the Ecu side of the bun to end. Sl-st to fasten, cut, weave in ends. This completes the bottom bun. (40 sts)



Top Bun - Crochet rows 1-5

6. Ch 1, sc 1 to end, sl-st to fasten.

Hold outer part and the inner part of the bun together.

7. Ch 1, sc through top loop only of the Jute side and through both corresponding loops on the Ecru side of the bun to about an inch from the end. Stuff a small amount of fiber fill into the top of the bun and sc to end. Sl-st to fasten, cut, weave in ends. This completes the top bun. (40 sts)

Olive - wet felted using Dark Green & Red fiber

Using Dark Green fiber, wet felt a small ball. When the ball is dry, needle felt a small amount of red fiber into one end of the ball.

Pass a large embroidery needle through the olive to create a hole for the toothpick.

**Wet Felting** -

Condition a thin piece of Dark Green fiber by pulling and stretching the wool into approximately a 1" x 8" piece of fiber. Make sure the fiber is very thin and wispy and that all the fibers have been loosened by the pulling and stretching. Roll the wool strip into a tight ball turning the ball this-way-and-that while rolling. Wet the wool ball with soapy water and gently rub the ball in your hands, taking care to smooth the fibers as you go. When the ball has formed a "skin" and the fibers are stable and not sliding around you can rub a bit harder to shrink and tighten the ball. Do not let the ball get too wet or soapy (if this happens gently roll the ball in a dry towel). When the ball is felted rinse it in cool water until all the soap is removed. Gently squeeze the extra water out and let the ball dry completely before you needle felt the pimento.

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Beaded Poppy Bracelet



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Beaded Poppy Bracelet

This pretty bracelet is a great way to use up any leftover yarn you may have. This pattern makes a 7" (18cm) bracelet when blocked, but you can adjust your straps to any length by increasing or decreasing the repeats of sc rows.

The poppy is worked in the round and then the straps are added working in rows. The leaves are added last by working down the middle pairs of dc's in a manner similar to crocodile stitch.



Materials:

- 24 x 2mm black beads
- 1 x 1.5cm button (to match green yarn)
- Any black, red, and green yarn, all DK size. (I used Sirdar Softspun in Jet Black, Sirdar Snuggly in Brick Red, and Debbie Bliss Cashmerino in Forest.)
- 4mm crochet hook
- 3 x stitch markers (optional)

Notation:

This pattern uses standard US notation:

st	Stitch
ch	Chain
sc	Single crochet
sl st	Slip stitch
hdc	Half double crochet
dc	Double crochet
dc2tog	Double crochet 2 together
sc2tog	Single crochet 2 together
ch sp	Chain space

Pattern:

Poppy:

Begin by threading the 24 beads onto the black yarn. Make a magic circle and ch1.

R1: 6sc into ring, sl st into front loop of 1st sc, pull ring closed (6sts).

Now work in the front loop only and slide down a bead on each chain.

R2: *Ch4 (4 beads inserted), sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 2 ch, sl st into next st, repeat from * 5 times, join with a sl st through both loops (6 beaded arms made).

Work R3 into the back loops of R1.

R3: Ch1, 2sc into each st around, join with a sl st (12 sts).

Fasten off and join red yarn to any st.

R4: ch1, *sc, 2sc, repeat from * 5 times, join with a sl st in front loop only (18 sts).

Work R5 in the front loop only.

R5: Ch1, *hdc, 2dc in each of next 4 sts, hdc, repeat from * 2 times, join with a sl st through both loops.

Work R6 in the back loops of R4.

R6: ch 1, turn, sl-st in 1st st of R5, ch 1 (counts as 1sc), sc, 2sc, *sc, sc, 2sc, repeat from * 4 times, join with a sl st in front loop (24 sts).

Work R7 in front loop only.

R7: ch3 (counts as dc), turn, dc in same st, 2dc in next 2 sts, hdc, *hdc, 2dc in next 6 sts, hdc, repeat from *, hdc, 2dc in next 3 sts, finish with a seamless join (or sl st if you prefer). Fasten off; the poppy part of the bracelet is now complete.

Join green yarn into any st on R6 (back loop). This st will become a corner as R8 turns R6 into a square.

R8: Ch3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, hdc, sc 3 times, hdc, 3dc in next st, repeat from * 2 times, hdc, sc 3 times, hdc, dc in 1st st, join to start ch with a sl st (32 sts).

Straps:

Make the first strap for the bracelet by working back along 1 side of the square. You may wish to place a st marker around the posts to the 2dc in the middle of rows 9, 11, and 13. (These are the posts the leaves will be worked around.)

R9: Ch2, turn, dc2tog, dc, 2dc, dc, dc2tog, dc (8sts).

R10: Ch 1, turn, sc, sc, sc2tog, sc 3 more times (7sts).

R11: Ch2, turn, dc2tog, 2dc, dc2tog, dc (6 sts).

R12: ch1, turn, sc, sc2tog, sc, sc (5sts).

R13: Ch2, turn, dc, 2dc, dc, dc (6sts).

R14: Repeat row 12.

R15: Ch1, turn, sc 4 times (5 sts).

Remaining rows: repeat R15 6 times, or until the strap is your desired length (including button placket). Fasten off.

For the 2nd strap, join yarn to the corner st and repeat rows 9-15, and again repeat row 15 the required number of time for your desired strap length (approx. 4 more times) before making the buttonhole:

R16: Ch1, turn, ch3, sc in last st.

R17: Ch1, turn, 3 sc in ch sp, sc in last st, (5 sts). Fasten off.

Leaves:

Leaves are worked around the posts of the central pairs of dc's marked by st markers (similar to crocodile st). You will work half of one leaf around the first post, then move on to the next pair to work half of the next leaf, and so on, then turn and work back up the strap to finish the leaves.

Insert hook into the post of the upper dc and draw up a loop.

R1: *(ch2, hdc, 3dc) around post, sl st about sc post in row above, insert hook under next dc post, sl st, repeat from *, (ch2 hdc, 3dc) around dc post, sl st in sc in row above, ch 1, rotate piece to work back up the remaining dc posts.

R2: *(3dc, 2hdc) around dc post, sl st in sc post in row above, repeat, (3dc, hdc, ch2, sl st) about last dc post. Fasten off.

Repeat for the 2nd strap.

Finishing:

Weave in all ends. Block the bracelet around a rolled up facecloth or similar, pinning the leaves to desired shape. Sew a button on to the strap opposite the buttonhole.



Crochet For Change

By Kindra McGill

18,250, that is the number I taped on the outside of my dorm room on move in day freshman year of college 13 years ago. Young, vibrant, invincible, and let's face it inexperienced in life. I was going to college to change the world one person at a time. If you changed one person's life for the better every day for 50 years that is how many people that would be better off because of you. If you then add that each of those people could go out and do the same the numbers quickly become astronomical. Small commitment, big change. After all, one person a day how hard could that be?

Like I said young and inexperienced in life. Back then I thought I would become a teacher and travel the world teaching disadvantaged children. Remember, I said back then...Flash forward 13 years, my siblings have all fulfilled their humanitarian duties to make the world a better place by becoming firefighters, police officers, military officers, and pastors. In fact, I never traveled the world, in fact I taught for a few years, met my husband, got married, had kids, and am now a stay at home mom of four children 6 and under. Life score- 1 dreams and plans score- 0. It was almost like all the possibility of impacting the world had rushed right by me and I had missed my chance.

So right about now you are wondering what this has to do with crocheting. Well life is about adaptation, learning to make what you have work. So a few years ago I picked back up my crochet hooks and got to work on a baby blanket for one of my expected children. As I started back in to the hobby I realized just how much I loved and missed working on projects. I quickly began to develop a pile of projects that really had no home so I began to try to figure out what I could do with some of them. Little things to help lessen the blow to the children my brother has to transfer to child services after parents go to jail or they are removed from their homes because of abuse. Something to hold and snuggle for a child who has just lost everything secure in a fire. Blankets and hats for a single mom who as come to the church looking for help keeping her children warm this winter when she knows that every last penny she has will have to be spent on food for her kids. In the years since there has been the explosion of social media and the ability to connect people and groups together all over the world whether it is making hats for children in NICUs or foster care or donating projects for auctions for charities. I may rarely leave the comfort of my own home but I have found my way to make a difference. It may not be the huge one I had dreamed about but my small kindness may have been the one to help carry someone else through another day and hopefully they will carry that sentiment forward in their life. So we may be "just crocheting" but we also maybe changing the world one skein of yarn at a time.

"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something that I can do."

Helen Keller

So go out and get inspired today. Look around Facebook, Google, find a group you love and do what you can because no matter how small it may seem to you at the time you never know how far your kindness extends into the world of a stranger who just needed to remember there is still humanity in this world. Let's make the crochet community one that people remember for its legacy of kindness and compassion.



*Blankies
by Jackie*

My name is Jackie and I started crocheting when I was in the 7th grade, I recently opened my own etsy shop and I create my own designs.

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Teddy Bear Security Blanket Pattern

Items needed to make one or the other

1 skein red heart super saver yarn, Cafe Latte
small amount of black yarn, beige yarn, white yarn, and either pink or blue yarn

G hook for the bear
I hook for the blanket
stitch marker
stuffing

abbreviations

sc =single crochet

inc = increase, two sc in each stitch

dec = decrease, sc two stitches together

MR = Magic Ring

sl st = slip stitch

dc = double crochet

ch = chain

Head and neck(cafe latte)

Rnd 1: 6 sc in MR

Rnd 2: inc in each sc around(12)

Rnd 3: sc, inc repeat around(18)

Rnd 4: sc twice, inc repeat around(24)

Rnd 5: sc 3 times, inc repeat around(30)

Rnd 6: sc 4 times, inc repeat around(36)

Rnd 7: sc 5 times, inc repeat around(42)

Rnds 8-15: sc around(42)

Rnd 16: sc 5 times, dec repeat around(36)

Rnd 17: sc 4 times, dec repeat around(30)

Rnd 18: sc 3 times, dec repeat around(24)
Rnd 19: sc twice, dec repeat around(18)
this is where the neck is started, start to stuff head
Rnds 20 and 21: sc around(18)
Rnd 22: sc, inc repeat around(27)
Rnds 23 and 24: sc around(27)
Rnd 25: sc twice, inc repeat around(36)
Rnds 26 and 27: sc around
F/O leave tail for sewing to the blanket

Muzzle(beige)

Rnd 1: 6 sc in MR
Rnd 2: inc around(12)
Rnd 3: sc, inc repeat around(18)
Rnd 4: sc twice, inc repeat around(24)
F/O leave tail for sewing to the head

Nose(black)

ch 2, 2sc in 2nd ch from hook, ch1 and turn
sc, inc(3)
F/O leave tail for sewing to muzzle, sew to top middle of the muzzle straight stitch lines for the mouth.

Arms/Hands(cafe latte, make 2)

Rnd 1: 6 sc in MR
Rnd 2: inc around(12)
Rnds 3-5: sc around (12)
stuff hands
Rnd 6: dec around(6)
Rnds 7- 15: sc around(6)
I don't stuff the arms but you can if you like

Ears(cafe latte, make 2)

Row 1: 4 in MR ch 1 and turn
Row 2: inc across, ch1 and turn(8)
Row 3: inc across, ch 1 and turn(16)
Row 4: inc, sc 14 times inc(18)
F/O leave tail for sewing to head

Eyes(white and black) make 2

with black 8 sc in MR, sl st to first sc and F/O, with white make a spot in the center of the eye.
Sew eye to head on either side of muzzle.

Bow or bowtie(blue or pink)

Row 1: ch 5, sc in the 2nd ch from hook and across, ch1 and turn(4)

Rows 2-10: sc across ch 1 and turn at end of rows.

Sc around the edges and sl st to first sc

F/O

wrap same color yarn around the middle of the bow/bowtie and then either sew it to the neck for a boy or anywhere on the head for a girl, mine is placed in front of an ear.

Blanket body is made with cafe latte

ch 60, sc in 2nd ch from hook and across, ch 1 and turn

Sc 60 rows, ch1 and turn at end of rows. F/O

Border(pink or blue)

Pink

attach yarn in any sc of last row, sc 3 times in every sc and space around the blanket, join with first sc
ch 2 and dc in every sc around, F/O

Blue

attach yarn in any sc of last row. sc 4 rows around the edge of the blanket F/O

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You will need:

Hook size: 3.50mm

Tapestry Needle

Berroco Comfort Yarn in White, turquoise, light blue, yellow and orange.

Stitches used in this Project:

Ch: chain

St: stitch

Sc: single crochet

Hdc: half double crochet

Dc: double crochet

Tr: treble



With turquoise color:

Round 1: In a magic ring, ch3, 11dc, sl st to first ch3 (12st)



Round 2: in back loop only ch3, dc in same st, 2dc in every st round (24st)



Round 3: in back loop only, ch3, [dc in same st, dc in next st, 2dc in next st] all around (36st) Fasten off



Round 4: Change to white color, in any st, sl st and hdc in same st, hdc, dc [dc, tr, ch, tr, dc] dc, 2hdc, 2sc, (2hdc, dc, [dc, tr, ch, tr, dc], dc, 2hdc, 2sc) 3 times



In Round 2: in front loop only, with light blue color: sl st in any

st, hdc in same st, [hdc, 2hdc in next st] all around



In Round 3: in front loop only, with yellow color: sl st in any st, hdc in same st, [hdc, 2hdc in next st] all around



In Round 4: in front loop only, with orange color : sl st in any st, hdc in same st, and hdc all around



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Candy coin purse



Materials needed:

- o 4 mm/ G crochet hook
- o small amount of either aran weight cotton yarn or sports weight yarn doubled up
- o 8 cm sew in or glue in purse frame
- o strong textile glue for the frame
- o yarn needle

finished size: approx 11x8 cm

Abbreviation US crochet terms:

- st- stitch
- sc- single crochet
- hdc- half double crochet
- dc- double crochet

Instructions

Note: turning chain will not count as a stitch

Chain 33

Row 1: in second chain from hook make 1 sc, 31sc (32 sc)

turn

Row 2: Chain 1, sc across row (32 sc)

turn

Row 3: chain 1, 7 sc, 1 hdc, 16 dc, 1 hdc, 7 sc

Turn

Row 4: repeat row 2

Row 5: repeat row 3

Change to a different colour if you wish to make a strip in the middle with a contrasting colour

Row 6: chain 1, sc across row (32 sc)

Row 7: repeat row 3

Row 8: repeat row 2

Switch back to your main colour

Row 9: repeat row 3

Row 10 repeat row 2

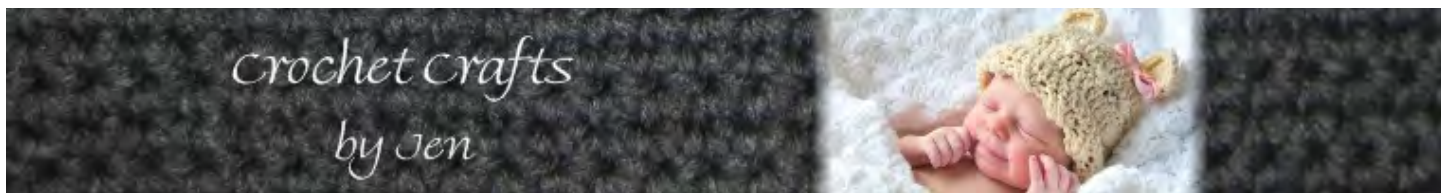
Row 11 repeat row 3

Row 12 repeat row 2

Row 13 repeat row 2 weave in ends and cut yarn

Now sew the two sides together on the wrong side with a large yarn needle stopping just before the bottom of the hinge, then turn it out and glue or sew the piece into the purse frame.





Crochet Glittens (Glove/Mittens) Pattern © Size Adult Sm/Med



Materials

1-2 skeins Worsted Weight Yarn (any color). (I prefer using a softer yarn like Michael's Loops & Threads, Impeccable yarn or Red Heart Soft yarn. If you choose a thicker feeling worsted weight yarn, the pattern may be Adult Large vs. Small/Medium).

Crochet Hooks, Size H and I

2 Small Buttons (7-10MM / approx. 1/2")

Small Blunt Needle for weaving in ends & sewing on buttons

Skill Level: Intermediate

Glitten Wrist Cuff

With H hook, Ch 15

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (14 sc).

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. In back loops only, sc in each sc across.

Rows 3-23: Repeat Row 2. Do not cut yarn.

Glitten Hand

Switch to I hook. (Switching from back to front loops in each row will give the right side of the glitten a textured look, while the wrong side will be smooth. This is an important step to getting the right size glitten!)



Row 1: Ch 1, turn cuff so you're working in ends of rows, sc in next 4 sc, 2sc in next, (sc in next 3 sc, 2sc in next) 4 times, sc in last 2 sc (28 sc).
Row 2: Ch 1, turn. In front loops only, sc in next 4 sc, 2sc in next, (sc in next 3 sc, 2sc in next) 5 times, sc in last 3 sc (34 sc).
Row 3: Ch 1, turn. In back loops only, sc in each sc across.
Row 4: Ch 1, turn. In front loops only, sc in each sc across.
Rows 5-16: Repeat Row 3 and 4. Do not cut yarn.

Glitten Fingers

Use H hook for all fingers. Each finger is worked in the round and in back loops only.

Index Finger:

Round 1: Fold glitten in half so textured side of hand / right side is facing out. Ch 1, sc in next 2 sc, 2sc in next, sc in next 2 sc. Holding glitten folded in half to resemble a mitten, pivot glitten around so opposite side of hand is facing. In 5th sc from edge opening, sc in next 2 sc, 2sc in next, sc in next 2 sc (12 sc).
Round 2: Starting in 1st sc made, sc in next 12 sc around.
Round 3: Sc in next 12 sc around.
Round 4: Repeat Round 3. Slip in next sc through both loops. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in later.

Middle Finger:

Round 1: Face glitten so index finger is on the right side. Join with sc in the same stitch as last sc of index finger on the same side, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next, sc in next 2 sc. Pivot glitten so opposite side of hand is facing, sc in 4th open sc from index finger, sc in next, 2 sc in next, sc in next sc, sc in same stitch as last sc of index finger on the same side (12 sc).
Round 2: Starting in 1st sc made, sc in next 12 sc around.
Round 3: Sc in next 12 sc around.
Rounds 4-5: Repeat Round 3. Slip in next sc through both loops. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in later.

Ring Finger:

Round 1: Face glitten so index finger is on the right side. Join with sc in the same stitch as last sc of middle finger on the same side, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next, sc in next 2 sc. Pivot glitten so opposite side of hand is facing, sc in 4th open sc from middle finger, sc in next sc, 2sc in next, sc in next sc, sc in same stitch as last sc of middle finger on the same side (12 sc).



Round 2: Starting in 1st sc made, sc in next 12 sc around.

Round 3: Sc in next 12 sc around.

Round 4: Repeat Round 3. Slip in next sc through both loops. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in later.

Pinky Finger:

Round 1: Face glitten so index finger is on the right side. Join with sc in the same stitch as last sc of ring finger on the same side, sc in next 8 sc, sc in same stitch as last sc of ring finger on the same side (10 sc).

Round 2: Starting in 1st sc made, sc in next 10 sc around.

Round 3: Sc in next 10 sc around, slip in next sc through both loops. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in later.

Thumb:

Round 1: Tilt glitten to the side so fingers are on the left side. Working in ends of rows from hand part, join with sc in 4th row from cuff (do not count cuff rows). Sc in next 5 row ends. Pivot glitten so opposite side of hand is facing, sc in 9th row from cuff (do not count cuff rows). Sc in next 5 row ends (12 sc).

Round 2: Starting in 1st sc made, sc in next 12 sc around.

Round 3-4: Sc in next 12 sc around.

Round 5: Sc in next 6 sc, ch 4, skip 4, sc in next 2 sc.

Round 6: Sc in next 6 sc, sc in next 3 chains, skip last ch, sc in next 2 sc.

Round 7: Sc in next 11 sc.

Round 8: Scdec 7 times, slip in next sc through both loops. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in later.

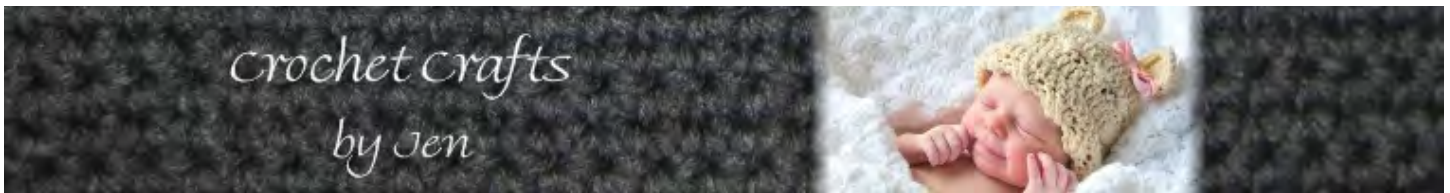
Thumb Flap Over Hole:

Row 1: Face thumb so tip is facing toward you and hole is visible, join with slip to top right side of hole. Working in free loops at top of hole, sc in next 3, slip to top left side of hole.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Sc in next 3 sc, slip in next space. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in.

Sew Seams & Weave Ends

Cut a string of yarn approx 40" long. With blunt needle, start at cuff bottom and sew together seam to thumb, make a knot at base of thumb, weave through stitches to top of thumb, sew together the rest of seam opening up to index finger. Knot ends and weave in all loose ends.



Glitten Mitten Top

(For right hand, face glitten so thumb is on left side).

(For left hand, face glitten so thumb is on right side).

Use I hook. Mitten top is worked in the round and in back loops only.

Round 1: Join with sc in free loops of rows 8 & 9 on back of hand, continue working in free loops of both rows. Sc in next 14 stitches. Ch 19, pivot glitten around and start Round 2 in 1st sc made.

Round 2: Sc in 1st sc and in next 15 sc, sc in next 19 chains (34 sc).

Round 3: Sc in next 34 sc.

Rounds 4-9: Repeat Round 3.

Round 10: Scdec, sc in next 15, scdec, sc in next 15 (32 sc).

Round 11: Sc in next 14 sc, scdec, sc in next 14, scdec (30 sc).

Round 12: Scdec, sc in next 13 sc, scdec, sc in next 13 sc (28 sc).

Round 13: Sc in next 12 sc, scdec, sc in next 12 sc, scdec (26 sc).

Round 14: Scdec 13 times (13 stitches).

Round 15: Sc in next 13 stitches, slip in next stitch through both loops. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in later. With blunt needle, weave in and out through back loops only, in stitches at top of mitten and pull to close. Knot end.

Top Loop for Button:

With H hook, slip in space just to the right of the center of mitten tip, ch 3, slip in space just to the left of the center of mitten tip. Cut yarn leaving 5-6 inches to weave in.

Weave in remaining loose ends.

Sew on Button

Depending on the size of the button holes, either use yarn or matching thread to sew button onto back of wrist in middle of cuff.

Abbreviations:

Ch – Chain

Slip – Slip Stitch

SC – Single Crochet

YO – Yarn Over

ScDec – Single Crochet Decrease (Insert hook in 1st stitch, yo, pull through, insert hook in 2nd stitch, yo, pull through, yo, pull through all 3 loops on hook)



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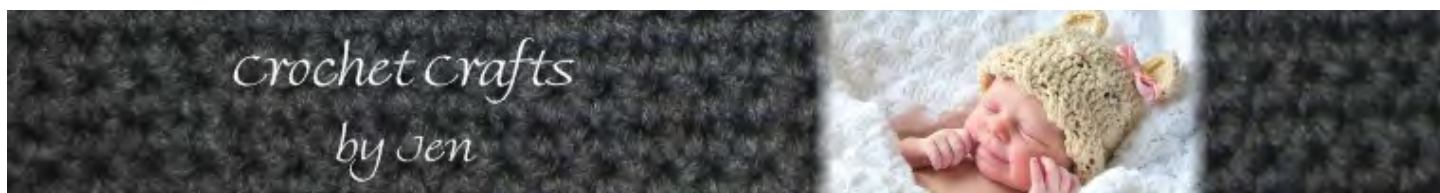
Wrist Cuff Side



Cuff & Back of Hand



Index Finger



Index Finger



Join Next Finger



Start Thumb



Thumb Hole Flap



Thumb Hole Flap



Sew Seams



Start Mitten Top



Mitten Top



Weave Mitten Tip

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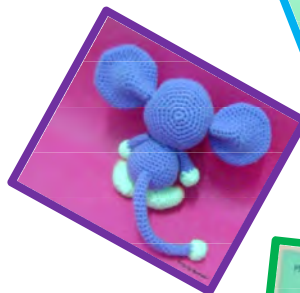
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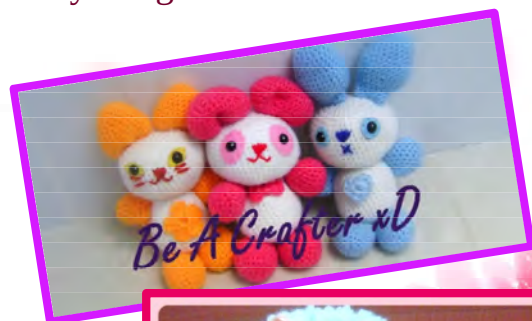


Hello!

I'm Maz, a self-taught crafter, a gamer, a dreamer, a life lover (just to name a few)... My crochet journey started on June 2012 but I've been crafting for most of my life. The first crafty thing I made was a "paper doll" when I was five. Beside crocheting, I also love sewing, beading...

To create and show the inspiration through my designs is a real passion for me.

Hope you enjoy your visit ☺



Shop name: Be A Crafter xD

Designer name: Maz Kwok

Location: Viet Nam

About : This is one of my for sale patterns which inspired by eyelash yarn crochet for amigurumi toys. I also made a post about how to crochet amigurumi with eyelash yarn, please visit the link here:

<http://www.mazkwok.com/2013/01/crochet-amigurumi-with-eyelash-yarn.html>

Materials needed:

5mm crochet hook

Yarn needle

Scissors

Sport weight yarn: white, beige

Glitter eyelash yarn: white

Embroidery floss: brown

1 cm safety eyes and nose (or black embroidery floss for the nose)

Fiber fill

Ribbon

Final measurement:

About 8 inches tall excluding ears (sitting).

This pattern can be made using any yarn you wish. Choose a hook size that matches the yarn.

Abbreviations:

Sc = single crochet

Sl = slip

Ch = chain

Inc = increase

Dec = decrease

St(s) = stitches

Rnd = round

Pattern name: Fuzzy pop-eyed teddy



Direction:

Note: This project is working in continuous rounds, mark first stitch of each round.

Head: using sport weight white yarn and eyelash yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 7 sc, 7 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 7 times, 14 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 21 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 28 sts

Rnd 5: (3 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 35 sts

Rnd 6: (4 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 42 sts

Rnd 7 to 17: (11 rounds), sc around, 42 sts

Rnd 18: (4 sc, dec) repeat 7 times, 35 sts

Rnd 19: (3 sc, dec) repeat 7 times, 28 sts

Rnd 20: (2 sc, dec) repeat 7 times, 21 sts (stuff and fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Muzzle: using sport weight beige yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 6 sc, 6 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 6 times, 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 18 sts

Rnd 4: 3 inc, 6 sc, 3 inc, 6 sc, 24 sts (fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Attach safety nose on.

Attach to front of the head.

Ring around the eyes: (make 2), using sport weight beige yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 5 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 5 times ,10 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 5 times, 15 sts (fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Attach safety eyes on.

Attach to front of the head, above the muzzle.

Outer ears: (make 2), using sport weight white yarn and eyelash yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 6 sc, 6 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 6 times, 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 6 times, 18 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat 6 times, 24 sts (fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Inner ears: (make 2), using sport weight beige yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 5 sc, 5 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 5 times, 10 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 5 times, 15 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat 5 times, 20 sts (fasten off).

Leave long end for sewing.

Sew inner ears on outer ears.

Attach to side of the head.

Body: using sport weight white yarn and eyelash yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 7 sc, 7 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 7 times, 14 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 21 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 28 sts

Rnd 5: (3 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 35 sts

Rnd 6 to 19: (14 rounds), sc around, 35 sts

Rnd 20: (3 sc, dec) repeat 7 times, 28 sts

Rnd 21: (2 sc, dec) repeat 7 times, 21 sts (stuff and fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Attach to the head.



Arms: (make 2), using sport weight white yarn and eyelash yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 5 sc, 5 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 5 times, 10 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc), repeat 5 times, 15 sts

Rnd 4 to 18: (15 rounds), sc around, 15 sts (stuff and fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Attach to side of the body.

Embroider claws.



Legs: (make 2), using sport weight white yarn and eyelash yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 8 sc, 8 sts

Rnd 2: inc , repeat 8 times, 16 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 8 times, 24 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat 8 times, 32 sts

Rnd 5 to 10: (6 rounds), sc around, 32 sts

Rnd 11: 8 dec, 16 sc, total 24 sts

Rnd 12: sc around, 24 sts

Rnd 13: (2 sc, dec) repeat 8 times, 16 sts

Rnd 14 to 19: (6 rounds), sc around, 16 sts (fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Attach to lower side of the body.

Paws: (make 2), using sport weight beige yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 7 sc, 7 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 7 times, 14 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 21 sts

Rnd 4: (2 sc, inc) repeat 7 times, 28 sts (fasten off)

Attach to the legs.

Embroider claws.



Tail: using sport weight white yarn and eyelash yarn.

Rnd 1: magic ring, 6 sc, 6 sts

Rnd 2: inc, repeat 6 times, 12 sts

Rnd 3: (1 sc, inc) repeat 6 times, 18 sts

Rnd 4 to 7: (4 rounds), sc around, 18 sts

Rnd 8: (1 sc, dec) repeat 6 times, 12 sts (stuff and fasten off)

Leave long end for sewing.

Attach to back of the body.



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Please refer to the pictures when you assemble.



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Materials

K hook 6.5 mm

2 skeins Caron Simply Soft Color A

544 yds (2 skeins contains 630 yds)

1 skein Caron Simply Soft Color B
(seperated into 2 balls) 315 yds

Tapestry needle to weave in ends

1 Button and a needle and thread to
sew it onto hood

Abbreviations

Dc-Double Crochet

FPDC-Front Post Double
Crochet

BPDC- Back Post Double
Crochet

Hdc – Half Double Crochet

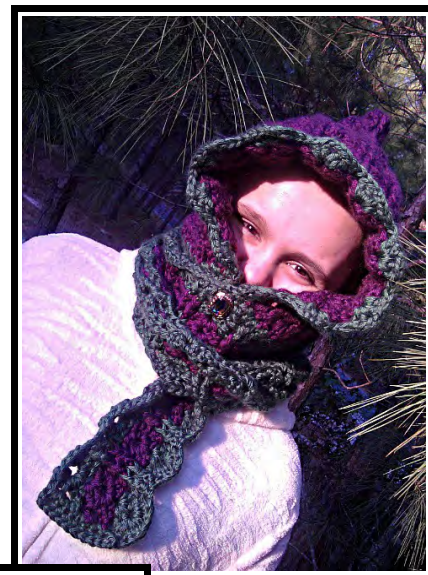
Sc – Single Crochet

Ch(s)-Chain(s)

Sp(s)-Space(s)

St(s)-Stitch(es)

Sk – Skip



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Gauge

Row 1: Ch 10, Hdc in 3rd Ch from hook, Hdc in each of the next 7 Chs, turn. (8)

Row 2: Ch 1, Hdc in 1st st, Hdc in each of the next 7 Sts, turn. (8)

Row 3-4: Repeat row 2.

Swatch should = 3" wide x 2" tall.

Hood Directions: Entire pattern will be worked with 2 strands of yarn held together.

Foundation Chain/Row 1: Ch 80, turn. Sc in 2nd Ch from hook, Sc in each of the next 78 Sts, turn. (79)

Row 2: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Hdc,) *Sk 2, 2 Dc in next St, Ch 2, 2 Dc in next St, Sk 2, Hdc in each of the next 2 Sts,* Repeat from * to * 8 more times, Sk 2, 2 Dc in next St, Ch 2, 2 Dc in next St, Sk 2, Hdc in last St, turn. (40 Dc, 20 Hdc, 10 Ch 2 Sps)

Row 3: (RIGHT SIDE)Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, FPDC around posts of next 2 Hdc sts,* Repeat from * to * 8 more times, Sk 2, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (10 Clusters, 20 Dc)

Row 4: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, BPDC around posts of next 2 FPDC Sts,* Repeat from * to * 8 more times, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (10 Clusters, 20 Dc)

Row 5: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, FPDC around posts of next 2 BPDC Sts,* Repeat from * to * 8 more times, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (10 Clusters, 20 Dc)

Row 6-21: Repeat rows 4 and 5. Change to color B at the end of row 21.

Row 22: Repeat row 4.



Illustration 1

Fasten off and fold in half, lengthwise with wrong sides facing out, being sure to line up the ridges. You will now create the back seam of the hood. Thread tapestry needle with 5 feet of yarn, placing the needle in the middle and folding in yarn half so that you are working with 2 ½ feet of yarn.(*Illustration 1*) Whip stitch the folded foundation chain together, working from bottom to top of the back center of the hood. Then secure and weave in any loose ends. The hood is now complete. The next step is the scarf.

Scarf Directions:

Hold the hood upside down, rightside out, and using color B join the two strands of yarn to what will be the lower right front side when it is facing the proper direction. (*Illustration 2*) You will be working around the base of the hood. Ch 1, Sc 2 times in the end of each cluster row and 1 time in the end of each foundation row(the back seam). There will be 43 Sts on each side of the hood. (86) From here you will start the scarf.

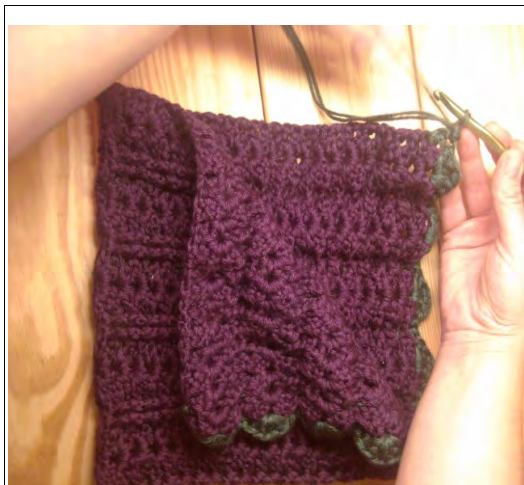


Illustration 2

Row 1: Ch 188, 2 Dc into 6th ch from hook, Ch 2, 2 Dc in next Ch, *Sk 2, Hdc in each of the next 2 Chs, Sk 2, 2 Dc in next Ch, Ch 2, 2 Dc in next Ch,* repeat from * to * 21 more times, Sk 2 Chs, Hdc in each of the next 2 Chs, Sk 1 Ch, Continue to work along the bottom edge of the hood, Sk 1st Sc, *2 Dc in next St, Ch 2, 2 Dc in next St, Sk 2, Hdc in each of the next 2 Sts, Sk 2,* Repeat from * to * 9 more times, 2 Dc in next St, Ch 2, 2 Dc in next St, Sk 2, Hdc in last St, turn. (34 Clusters)

Row 2: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, BPDC around posts of next 2 Hdc Sts,* Repeat from * to * 32 more times, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (34 Clusters, 68 Dc)Change to color A at end of row 2.

Row 3: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, FPDC around posts of next 2 BPDC sts,* Repeat from * to * 32 more times, Change to color B, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (34 Clusters, 68 Dc)

Row 4: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Change to color B, *BPDC around posts of next 2 Hdc Sts, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp,* Repeat from * to * 32 more times, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (34 Clusters, 68 Dc)

Row 5: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, FPDC around posts of next 2 BPDC sts,* Repeat from * to * 32 more times, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. (34 Clusters, 68 Dc)



Illustration 3

Row 6: Ch 2(Counts as 1st Dc,) *Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, BPDC around posts of next 2 Hdc Sts,* Repeat from * to * 32 more times, Sk to Ch Sp, Cluster[2 Dc, Ch 2, 2 Dc]in Ch 2 Sp, Dc in turning Ch, turn. then Ch 1 to turn corner. Sc 10 times across the end of scarf, ch1, turn, sc in each of the 10 sc sts then fasten off and weave in any loose ends. Sew button on right side of hood as pictured. (*Illustration 3*) (34 Clusters, 68 Dc, 2 rows of 10 Sc)

Sorry! I was crocheting....

--Adrienne Dunning

You all know how it is. You're in the zone—crochet hook twirling, stitches forming, ideas flashing as you envision this newest project. Then, the inevitable! The phone rings. A neighbor pops over for an impromptu visit. The kids break out into a ruckus. The washing machine explodes...every crocheter knows that life happens—even when you're smack in the middle of a project. (*Maybe you're extremely lucky and don't have these interruptions, but you've been working on that scarf for weeks and have no idea how many rows you've got.*) The key thing is to not let these little surprises, or distractions, or (*heaven help us*) disasters knock you off your course. The pleasure of crocheting is seeing the final project in all its completed glory, and these are some tips to help you make sure that life's little hiccups present only the tiniest of speed bumps on your way to crocheted masterpieces!

- For the “organized lister”—if you're the type that is a compulsive organizer and has a list for everything and anything always at the ready, you may do well to follow a system that my sister uses. At the start of a project, take a notebook or pad that you can keep with your project, and write down the number of rows needed (individually) to complete your projects. As you finish each row, cross out that number on the sheet with a pen/pencil. This way, when you're interrupted, you will know exactly which row you were currently working on when you return to your project.
- For the “visual crocheter”—if you're the type that does best with pictures and icons, then this trick may be for you. Whether you're using a pattern book or a printout from the internet, keep a post-it-note flag stuck to the top of the page. When you're interrupted (or finished for the day), quickly move the flag to the place in the pattern where you're stopping. Once you return to your project, the little neon flag will show you where you've stopped.
- For the “tactile crocheter”—if you're in love with the textures and feels of your yarns and projects and don't go for lists, you may opt to make use of the humble paper clip. To keep track of rows, think about slipping a paper clip through the end stitch of every 5th (or 10th) row. This way, you can count the paper clips as you go to see how far along you are. When you're finished with the project, simply remove the paper clips.

With a little thought at the beginning of your project, you can easily track your progress as you crochet away on your next beloved yarn-creation. Don't let the seemingly endless rows and constant interruptions get you down!

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The Fur~Babies Momma

My name is Paula Gaumer Tooke. I picked up my crochet hooks; again, when it dawned on me I had 5 babies coming within 6 months of retiring in 2006.

I had taught Middle School (*I can hear your groans of sympathy all the way to my home in Western New York*) for 34 years. Crocheting was a hit or miss during those years. But from May, when I retired, until November, when the last baby was due, we sold our house, moved from Indiana to Western New York and into our new home in July, and the crochet hooks were burning up the yarn. No matter where I went, the hooks and yarn were always by my side or in my hands.

This was when I discovered I liked to play with yarn and design my own patterns, or adapt ones that weren't "quite right" for me. This also led me to starting a Blog as a place to save, display and sell patterns.

Come visit the Fur~Babies and I in our little corner of the web: <http://furbabiesmomma.blogspot.com/>

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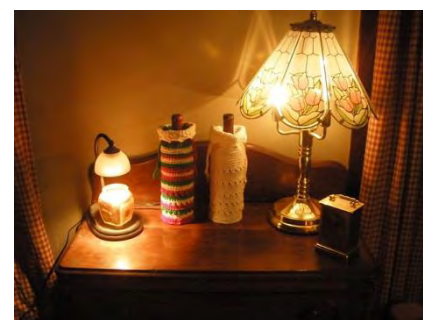
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Before joining your blocks, lay them on the floor to see what they are going to look like. Once you get a pleasing pattern, you are ready to join.

These blocks are placed on a diagonal because that is the way the columns will be joined.:

- a. **COLUMN B** dark red withh be koined to **COLUMN A** light blue.
- b. **COLUMN C** navy blue will be joined to **COLUMN B** beige
- c. **COLUMN D** blue will be joined to **COLUMN C** dark green



1. I am getting ready to join the green and blue squares at the bottom of COLUMN A
2. I have picked up the back loop of the corner stitch AND the loop underneath it. (You can see the loop underneath the back loop to the right of the hook.)



3. I have drawn my yellow yarn through a back loop (and the loop behind it) of a middle stitch on the green square with the matching stitch from the blue square (explained in #2 above.)

4. This is showing a single crochet decrease on the blue square.
5. If you need to do the decrease or an increase when joining, it will be unnoticeable.



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6. I am now ready to end the joining. The last stitch includes the back loop (closest to the hook end) of a stitch and the loop below the back loop.

7. Now, pick up the matching back loop and under back loop on the green square.
8. Next, pull the yarn through.



9. You are now ready to connect all of the blocks in COLUMN A. Follow the same steps as listed above.
10. Once COLUMN A squares are joined, Join all of the squares of COLUMN B.
11. When COLUMN B is finished, place the TOP square of COLUMN B (my top square is red) next to the 2nd square of COLUMN A (light blue in the example).
12. Look at the picture to the left and see if your squares match the picture.



➔ Now you are going to make your 1st join at the bottom of the purse.



13. This is the how the bottom squares (blue, solid pink and pink variegated which is above the solid pink in COLUMN B) look when you finish joining COLUMN A with COLUMN B.
14. NOTICE: There is a major gap between the pink and blue squares? No problem!
15. Continue joining these two squares. When finished, you will have the bottom of the blue square sewn to the right side of the pink square. (See example at beginning of pattern for the squares I am talking about.

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➔ **Now you are back at the top of COLUMN A and COLUMN B.**

16. This is what the top of COLUMN A and COLUMN B look like after they are joined.
17. I don't like the space between the red and green.
18. The needle shows which stitches I am going to join to strengthen this join.



19. The needle, in #18 above, shows where I am going to pull thread through from the back. This will give this joining strength and stability.
20. The long, horizontal piece of yarn shows where I made the stitch.

21. After pulling the stitch tight, you can see the difference between the space in #17 above and the space now.
22. This joint will be stronger and more stable than the loose join I had to start with.



23. Next, join the squares that make up COLUMN C.
24. When you have COLUMN C complete, join the top square (navy blue in my example at the beginning of this pattern) with the 2nd square (beige in my example) of COLUMN B.

➔ **Now you are going to make your 2nd join at the bottom of the purse.**



25. When you get to the bottom of COLUMN C,
 - a. You will have COLUMN A (blue square) and COLUMN B (solid pink square) joined.
 - b. Now, you will continue joining the two columns by joining the right side of the green square (COLUMN C) with the bottom of the pink square (COLUMN B)

26. This is what the top of the bag will look like when you start #27 below.
- The bottom squares from all of the columns will feel like they are bunched up, but that is normal.
 - The green from **COLUMN A** looks like it is above the pink from **COLUMN B**
 - REMEMBER: the grey square is the top of **COLUMN D** (in the picture above, it looks blue) and the pink is right below it.



27. Repeat #21 – 22 with **COLUMN C** and **COLUMN D**. → *DO NOT FASTEN OFF* ← until I tell you to fasten off.
- This is ALWAYS the place where, invariably, I mess up
 - I am going to list the way the squares should match up to help you, if you are confused.

<u>COLUMN A</u>	<u>COLUMN D</u>
1. Green (1 st or top square)	1. Pink (2 nd square in column, right under the grey)
2. Light blue	2. Darker blue
3. Green	3. Variegated pink



28. STOP & CHECK. I have used safety pins to join my bottom squares together to make sure they will join correctly and make a square

➔ Now you are connecting the variegated pink to the rest of the squares to make a bottom.

Variegated pink Blue (**COLUMN A**)
 Variegated pink Light green (**COLUMN C**)

➔ FINISH OFF ←

29. I stuck a pair of scissors through the middle hole that I had in my bag from joining the 4 squares.
30. Take a needle and yarn and whip stitch this bottom hole together.
- After doing this the bottom of the tote will be stronger and more stable for carrying heavy items.



Which side should be the front and which the back from the next 4 choices?



31. Navy & Scarlet Top



32. Silver Blue & Navy Top



33. Kelly Green & Silver Grey



34. Scarlet & Kelly Green

➔ Time to finish the top and add the shoulder straps.

35. Decide what sides you want as your front and back. I chose picture 31 and 33.

➔ I will do some stitches here for strength and stability. I want my tote to be able to carry anything I put in it without coming apart.

36. Join your yarn anywhere on the outside. (I chose the side of the grey square in picture 33.)

- a. Ch 1, sc in same sp
- b. Sc in each stitch around.
 - 1) When you come to a place where two squares join (see picture to the left) do a single crochet decrease
 - 2) This decrease will strengthen the top of the bag by pulling the (here red & green) squares closer together.



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- c. When you get to the middle sc of the green square
 - 1) Ch 90, sl st to the square where the strap will join.
 - 2) Sc in each st back to the beginning and single crochet decrease to join to the top of the bag.
 - 3) Continue doing sc's until you reach the place where you joined the handle.
 - 4) FASTEN OFF.
- d. Join your yarn in the space directly on the other side of the handle.
- e. Repeat steps 1) -> 4).



➔ Adding more rows to the top of the bag and shoulder strap. Again, this is for strength and stability. One sc handle isn't strong enough for the bag.

37. Join yarn in any stitch, sc around until you come to a shoulder strap, do a sc dec between the last sc on the top and the 1st sc of the shoulder strap. Repeat step 3) and 4) above when you end up at a strap.

38. Decide how many rows you want to put on, Repeat step 37 above until the top of the bag and the shoulder strap look the way you want them (I used red between the straps and green on the outside of both straps.) FASTEN OFF and you are done.



STRAPS FOR BLUE AND RED BAG (make 2)

This bag has two straps attached with buttons. I made my straps out of four different colors, but they could be solid.

Row 1: Make a chain that measures 1 – 1 ½" in length, sc in the 2nd st from the hook and each hook across. (Make sure you end up with an even number of ch sts.)

NOTE:

1. *My pattern, I did a ch 8.*
2. *I sc in the 2nd st and each st across, for 7 sc.*
3. *Now, I am ready for Row 2.*
4. *I have written my pattern for a ch 8. I will place, in parenthesis, the numbers for a ch 10, 12, 14, or 16)*
5. *Change you colors, if you chose to, when you feel "the urge "to change.*

Row 2: Ch 2, dc in the next 2 [3, 4, 5, or 6] sts, ch 1, sk 1, dc in the remaining sts, ch 2, turn.

Rows 3: Dc in the next st and each st across, ch 2, turn.



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Rows 4 – 5: Repeat Row 3

Rows 6 - 9: Repeat Rows 2 - 5

Rows 10 – 13: Repeat Rows 2 - 5

Rows 14 – 17: Repeat Rows 2 - 5

Rows 18 – 21: Repeat Rows 2 - 5

For the next 12”, Repeat Row 3.

When the 12” are complete, Repeat Rows 2 – 5, five more times.

Finish with Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across. Fasten off and weave in ends.

FINISHING

1. Sew a button on the four corners where you will be attaching your “straps.” (You may choose inside or outside for your buttons.)
2. Your straps will button onto the bag . . . due to the ch 1, sk 1, you will have multiple strap lengths available.



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Simply Adorable Cowl

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Materials:

One skein worsted weight yarn

Crochet hook size P

Terms:

Ch: chain

St: stitch

Sc: single crochet

Hdc: half double crochet

Instructions:

Ch60

Row 1: hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each across [59hdc]

Row 2-15: ch1, turn, hdc in each st across [59hdc] Fold in half with last row touching the foundation chain and sc together. Finish off and weave in ends.



Knitting Rays of Hope

Knitting Rays of Hope was created as a way for us to give back to the community in a meaningful way. We came up with the idea for Knitting Rays of Hope when Pali went to a chemo treatment with her sister-in-law, and realized that the hospital had very little chemo caps to offer patients. Since we had recently learned, how to create scarves, we thought that creating hats wouldn't be too difficult; it was a way in which we could let chemo warriors know that we were thinking of them and truly cared about their fight. In early spring of 2012, we started as a small group of friends who work together and knitted hats during our on breaks and lunch hour.

We started donating hats to local hospitals by donating boxes ?? and driving to drop them off. We were just a small group but we were able to donate 70 hats on our first trip. While visiting one of the hospitals, a nurse approached us about possibly creating hats for the babies in the NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) as well. She told us that there was a big need for hats for the babies, so naturally we decided that we would expand and begin to create hats for the babies in the NICU as well. As our skill level increased in the art of creating hats, we decided to try to be a bit more creative and make character hats by learning to crochet embellishments. We were able to learn to crochet by watching many Youtube videos that demonstrated the shape that we needed to make. We would look online at other creations and decide what



character we were going to make and then research the crochet techniques that we needed. Some of the character hats that we have created have been: Cookie Monster, Elmo, Hello Kitty, Minion, Mike Wazskowski, Lightning McQueen, and Sock Monkeys.

We recently decided to accept special requests from people around the world for people who are facing a devastating illness. We originally were reaching out to those who were fighting cancer but we soon realized through requests how many others were in need of hats due to other illnesses and diseases, so we decided that they would be included for donations. For the individual requests, we strive to create a hat that the individual will cherish and will bring them a smile during a difficult and trying time.



Making hats for sick children, babies in the NICU and Chemo Warriors is very rewarding. To date, Knitting Rays of Hope has delivered a total of 865 hats. Because of the Internet, we are able to connect with people from across the country and world. These connections have led us to make hats for children fighting horrifying diseases all over the world.

We also have more knitters joining us from various states and countries to help our cause. We could not be more excited about the direction that Knitting Rays of Hope is headed. We hope that in the near future we will be able to become a nonprofit organization and to have more helpers contributing to our cause and spreading hope. We are always looking for more help, if you are interested in joining our organization please visit us at: www.knittinggraysofhope.wordpress.com.



Snood Hat Crochet Pattern

By Luba Davies



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Snood-hat

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Crochet pattern by Luba Davies
Written in American crochet terms

Accessory-transformer

DIFFICULTY: EASY

Stitch Used (US terms):

Chain (ch)
Slip stitch (sl st)
Single crochet (sc)
Double crochet (dc)
Front post double crochet (fpdc)
Back post double crochet (bpdc)

Finished Measurements:

Child size – 18.5-19.5 inches (47-50cm)
in diameter and 10 inches (25 cm) from top
to bottom edges

Lady size – 20-22 inches (51-56cm)
in diameter and 12 inches (30 cm) from top
to bottom edges

Yarn Used:

Stylecraft Special DK 100gr = 285 m
Color (A) – Graphite
Color (B) – Bright Green

Crochet hook:

Child size – 2.75 mm
Lady size – 3.5 mm



NOTES

This snood-hat is universal accessory-transformer, will fit on your neck as snood or as hat on your head. Also perfect for those who like stick hair in a ponytail.

This pattern is written for DK yarn.

Work in rounds as one piece.

Work begins from the bottom of main part and continue up.

Then you work on the opposite side of foundation chain to make elastic cuff.

This technique allows cuff of hat be looser and hat will fit more comfortably.

HAT

Using yarn (A), ch104 join with sl st to form a ring. Make sure foundation ch is njt twist.

Work in rounds as one piece

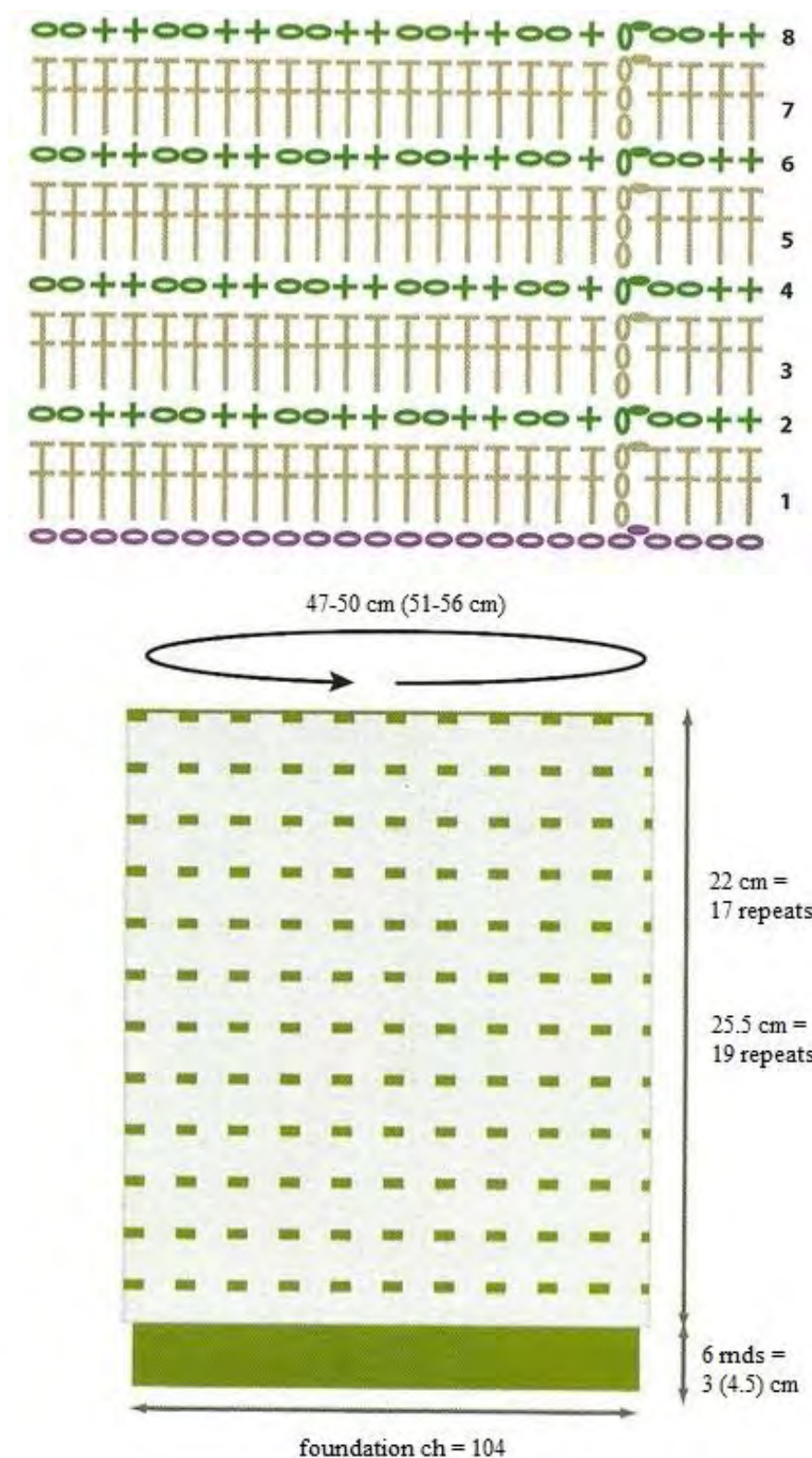
Rnd1: ch3 to count as 1st dc, dc in each st around. Join with sl st.

Yarn (B)

Rnd2: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in next st, ch2, skip next 2 sts, [sc into next 2 sts, ch2, skip next 2 sts] – repeat around. Join rnd with sl st.

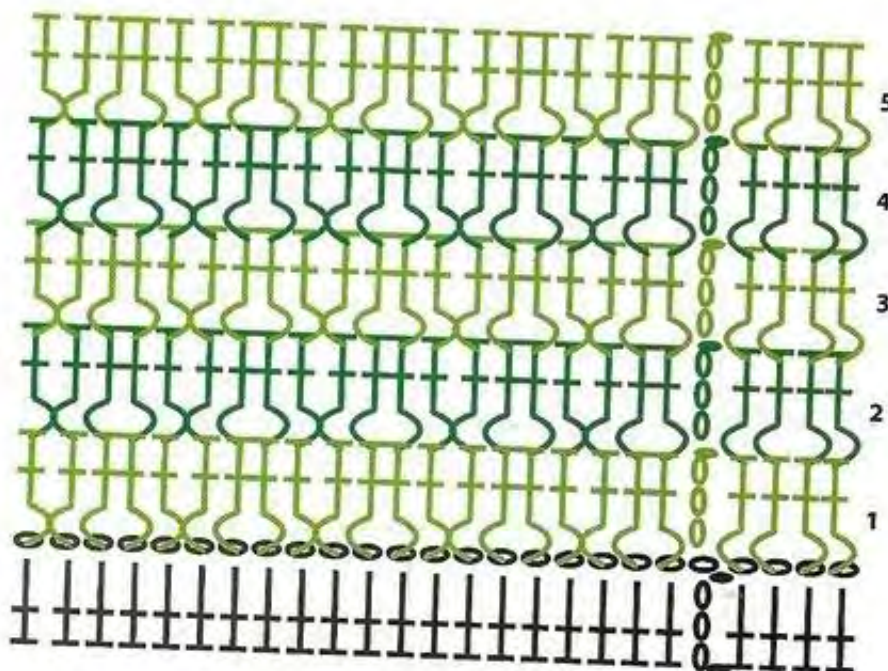
Continue repeat rounds 1 and 2 (1 motif) until reach total length of hat 22 (25.5) cm.

Fasten off.



CUFF

Now work on the opposite side of foundation chain to make cuff. Yarn (B).



Rnd1: ch3 to count as 1st fpdc, fpdc around next st, [bpdc around next 2 sts, fpdc around next 2 sts] – repeat around. Join rnd with sl st.

Rnd2-6: ch3 to count as 1st fpdc, fpdc around fpdc, [bpdc around each bpdc, fpdc around each fpdc] – repeat around. Join rnd with sl st.

Fasten off.

CORD

Yarn (B), ch174

Row1: ch1 to count as 1st sc, sc in next st, [ch2, skip next 2 st, sc in next 2 sts] – repeat to the end. Fasten off.

Pull cord in spaces of last round on top of hat.



THE END OF PATTERN

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Textured Brimmed Beanie

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Reading this Pattern:

- * This pattern is worked in rounds.
- * The number in () at the end of each round is the total number of stitches for that round!
- * Do Not ch. or slst unless suggested.
- * When a Number is Before the stitch command you will work in the Same stitch. Ex.- 2sc
- * When a Number is After the stitch command, you will work that number in the Following stitches. Ex.-sc2.

Stitches and Abbreviations **Used in this Pattern**

Stitch	Abbreviation
Slip stitch	slst
Single crochet	sc
Half double crochet	hdc
Chain Stitch	ch
Rounds	rnds
Stitch(es)	st.(s)
Double Crochet	dc
Single 2 Together	sc2tog.

Materials:

- *Hook: H & I
- * Yarn: Lion Brand -Jiffy (5 weight) in: **Color A:** Country Green, **Color B:** Dark Grey Heather (I purchase mine from Hobby Lobby)
- ***Color A**-main color
- ***Color B**-accent color
- * 1 Large Eyed Threading Needle

Gauge: 3sc = 1in., 3 rows sc = 1in.

Finished Sizes: One Size (fits Child/Adult)

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Crown (using H hook)

Ch-5, slst to join forming a ring.

8 hdc in ring, slst. -(9)

Rnd 1.) 2 hdc in each around. - (18 hdc)

Rnd 2.) hdc, 2 hdc in next. - (27 hdc)

Rnd 3.) hdc in next 2, 2 hdc in next. -(36 hdc)

Rnd 4.) hdc in next 3, 2 hdc in next. -(45 hdc)

Rnd 5.) hdc in next 4, 2 hdc in next. -(54 hdc)



Sides

1.) slst to next, ch-1, single crochet around. -

(54) slip stitch to join with ch-1, turn.

2.) ch-1, *(sc, hdc, dc) in same, sk-1. Repeat from* around. Slst to beg. sc

3.) Slst in next hdc, slst in next dc, turn, ch-1 (counts as sc), sc in same, 2sc in each dc around, slst to beginning ch-1.

4.) turn, repeat all of step 3.

5.) Repeat all of step 4.

6.) Continue repeating steps 3 & 4 till piece measures 5 in. long when laid flat. Ending w. step 3.

7.) Join Color B to work last row of step 4. Fasten off Color A.

8.) *ch-1, Do Not Turn, work sc in each of the previous sc, slst to join with beg. ch-1. Repeat * for 4 rows of sc. This will create a band. Slst in next. Fasten off Color B.

Brim (using I hook)

1.) Using your last slst as the center back, count 13 st.s tl both the left & right of this slst. Place a marker in both sts.

2.) Join Color A with slst in marked st, slst in each sc across the front to the other marked st. -(29)

3) ch-1, turn, working over slst, sc11, 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc, 2sc, sc11. -(33sc)

4.) ch -1, turn, slst in each sc across. -(33slst)

5.) ch-1, turn, working over slst sc2tog, sc14, 2sc, sc14, sc2tog. -(32sts)

6.) ch-1, turn, slst across. -(32slst)

7.) ch-1, turn, sc13, 2sc, sc4, 2sc, sc13. -(34sc)

8.) *ch-1, turn, slst across.

9.) ch-1, turn, working over st, sc2tog, sc across, sc2tog*.

10.) repeat *in row 8 to *in row 9 (4) more times.

Fasten Off!

***Note: Brim can easily be adjusted for desired length by adding or subtracting rows!

Finish

Join Color B to center back, ch-1, sc around, pulling snug at brim corners. (this will help keep the curvature of the brim.) slst to join with beg. ch-1.

Fasten Off!

Weave in all loose tails.

Optional: Add a button/buckle for a boy-ish look or add a flower to glam it up girl style!



Waves Cowl - by Corinne Freeman

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- Yarn Recommended – DK weight yarn.
- Gauge is approximately 14 sc equals 3 inches and 6 rows equals 4 inches.
- Crochet Hook = 5.5 mm
- Finished measurements are 33" circumference x 9.5" deep
- TRTR = Triple Treble

Notes: Be careful not to twist base of cowl. Chain 4 at start of each pattern row equals first trtr.



Wave Cowl Pattern

Special stitches used: Triple Treble stitch (trtr): wrap yarn around hook 3 times insert hook into stitch and wrap yarn and pull through 4 times.

Chain 86

Turn and sc across 85 sc and join to the beg sc to form circle (be sure not to twist). Special notes: (I do this join here as I find it helps to ensure there is no twisting of the original chain). Shells are 5 trtr stitches.

Round 1: Chain 4 (counts as first trtr, and do another 4 trtr into same stitch (creates shell). Over the next 14 stitches *skip 1st stitch, and then do trtr stitch (7 times)*. Skip 1 more stitch and in the next 2 stitches do 5 trtr stitches to create double

shell stitch. Cont. from * around and end with last 5 trtr and connect using a slip stitch (do not turn).

Round 2: chain 2 and sc around join with slip stitch.

Repeat round 1 and 2 for 6 times, sewn in ends and steam block for proper drape.

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How to chain: (ch)



Each pattern will start with a specific chain amount. Sometimes the chain amount will be 2 and sometimes it may be 250 (blanket or scarf are examples). It's really easy--but practice and make it consistent.

*Tip: work chains LOOSELY, and not too tight.

How to Slip Stitch: (sl st)

Slip stitch is a common stitch used within many patterns.

It's commonly used to join a ring (hats are a great example), or used as a stitch without height.



Push hook through stitch as directed in pattern. Here, instructions would read: 'Ch4, sl st in the first chain to form a ring.'

So, ch4 and then push your hook through the first chain that you created and pull the yarn back through. You will have 2 stitches on the hook. Take the 2nd stitch you just created and pull it through the first. Sl st complete.

How to single crochet: (sc)

The single crochet stitch is very basic and very common. It is important that you learn to make this stitch consistent: not too tight and not too loose. If you make it tight, your hands will hurt. If you make it too loose, it will look sloppy and it will be hard to match your gauge and look of a pattern.



Push your hook through the stitch and yarn over. Pull the yarn back through, you will have 2 loops on the hook now. Yarn over and pull through both loops. SC complete.

How to half double crochet: (hdc)



Yarn over, push you hook through the stitch, yarn over again. Pull the yarn through the stitch and you will have 3 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. Hdc complete.

How to double crochet: (dc)

The double crochet stitch is one of the main stitches. It is a great way to add length to a project, and is a more 'open' stitch and not tight as compared to a single crochet stitch.



Yarn over, push your hook through the stitch. Yarn over and pull back through the stitch (3 loops on hook). Yarn over, pull yarn through the first TWO stitches only and you will have 2 loops on hook remaining. Now, yarn over and pull through the last two loops. DC complete.

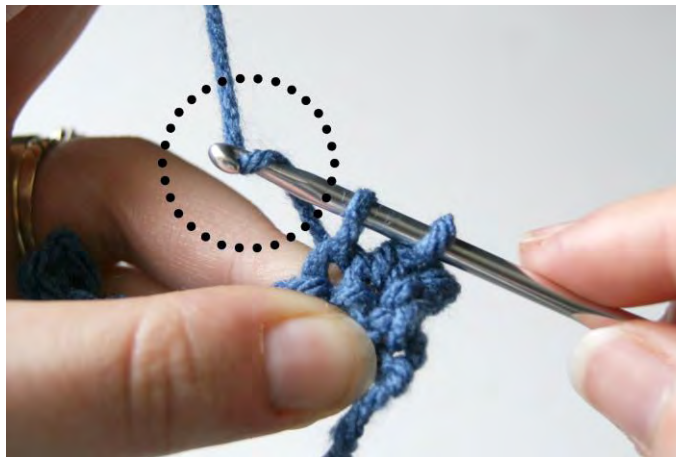
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