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DESIGNS
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COCOON AND HAT SET



Materials: You may use any yarn for this project, although DK, Aran, 8ply, worsted weight and light bulky work best. You will need approximately 250 m of either weight for both pieces.

Tools: Hook appropriate to chosen yarn and a wool needle for finishing.

Instructions use UK abbreviations. The table below outlines those used and their US equivalent where applicable.

UK abbreviation	UK term	US equivalent	US abbreviation
ch	chain		
dc	double crochet	single crochet	sc
fptr	front post treble	front post double crochet	fpdc
htr	half treble	half double crochet	hdc
sp	space		
ss	slip stitch	slip stitch	sl st
st	stitch		
tr	treble	double crochet	dc
BLO	back loops only		



fptr: work the treble as usual but insert the hook from front to back **around the stem** of the stitch (right to left) instead of into the top of the stitch.



Working trebles in spaces (sps): Work the treble as usual but insert the hook **between the stitches** instead of into the top of the stitch. You should also include spaces immediately before and after any post stitches.

SIZE CHART FOR HAT

Approx age	Head Circumference	Circle diameter	Length
0-3 months	13-14" (33-36cm)	4.5" (11.5cm)	4-5" (10-13cm)
3-6 months	14-17" (36-43cm)	5" (12.5cm)	5" (13cm)
6-12 months	16-19" (41-48cm)	6" (15cm)	5-6" (13-15cm)
12-18 months	18-20" (46-51cm)	6.5" (16.5cm)	6" (15cm)

All measurements and conversions are approximate - use imperial OR metric not both.
Length is measured from the crown down and allows for the addition of the border.

SIZE CHART FOR COCOON

Approx age	Chest Circumference	Circle diameter	Length (before border)
0-3 months	16" (41cm)	5" (13cm)	14" (35cm)
3-6 months	18" (46cm)	5.5" (14cm)	17" (43cm)
6-12 months	19" (48cm)	6" (15cm)	20" (51cm)
12-18 months	20" (51cm)	6.5" (16.5cm)	23" (59 cm)

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ROSEBUD

Commence with 8ch.

Row 1: Starting in 3rd ch from hook, 3htr into each ch along. The row will begin to curl up on itself to form the rosebud shape.

Fasten off leaving 8" (20cm) tail for stitching. Wind rosebud as tightly as desired and securely stitch the base to maintain shape. Attach as desired. Neaten ends.

LEAVES

Row 1: *3ch, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 3ch, ss) all into 3rd ch from hook, repeat from *.

Cut yarn to around 8" (20cm) and pass both start and end tails through the loop on the hook to fasten off. Pull tightly. Tie around base of rosebud or attach as desired. Neaten ends.

HAT

Crown

Foundation (all sizes): 4ch, ss into 4th ch from hook to form a ring.

Rnd 1: 3ch (always counts as 1tr), 13tr into ring, ss to 3rd of 3ch (14sts).

Note: Working in the spaces between the trebles (see special stitches/methods) will result in a neater, more even increase.

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2ch) into next sp - counts as 1tr in this and subsequent rnds, (2fptr around next tr, 1tr into each of the next 2sps - **always begin in the space that immediately follows the fptr**) 6 times, 2fptr around next tr, 1tr into next sp, ss to 2nd of 2ch (28sts).

Note: You now have 7 sections, each separated by 2 front post trebles. In the rows that follow, the front post trebles will remain lined up while the number of trebles in each section increases.

Rnd 3: (1dc, 2ch) into next sp, (1fptr around each fptr, 1tr into each sp across section as per note above) 6 times, 1fptr around each fptr, 1tr into each sp to end, ss to 2nd of 2ch.

Rep rnd 3, until your circle measures the diameter indicated on the hat size chart, then proceed to brim. Try to get as close to the diameter indicated as possible. In cases where you cannot meet the diameter exactly, the following guidelines should be used:

- If your yarn is very stretchy when worked up, you should take this stretch into account when measuring. Be careful not to overstretch.
- If your yarn has no stretch when worked up, it is better to go slightly over (than under) but no more than ½“(1.25cm).

Brim

Rnd 1: (1dc, 2ch) into current st, *1fptr around each fptr, 1tr into each tr (worked normally into the top of the stitch), repeat from * to end, ss to 2nd of 2ch.

Repeat round 1 until hat measures (from the crown) the length indicated on the hat size chart. Proceed to border.

Border - worked as a dc rib, sideways around the hat

Rnd 1: 6ch, miss first ch from hook, 1dc into each of the next 5ch, ss into next 2sts along the edge of the hat, turn - 5sts.

Rnd 2: Working in BLO, miss 2ss and work 1dc into each of the 5sts, turn - 5sts.

Rnd 3: Working in BLO, 1dc into each of the 5sts - ensure you do not miss the very first st - no turning ch needed, ss into next 2sts along the edge of the hat, turn.

Rep rows 2 and 3 around the edge of the hat ending with a 2 row gap.

Bring together the two open edges and, working in BLO, ss together.

Fasten off and neaten ends.

Decorate with ribbons, bows, pom-poms or embellishments of your choice.

COCOON

Base (cocoon is worked bottom up)

Foundation (all sizes): 4ch, ss into 4th ch from hook to form a ring.

Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 13tr into ring, ss to 3rd of 3ch (14sts).

Note: Working in the spaces between the trebles (see special stitches/methods) will result in a neater, more even increase.

Rnd 2: (1dc, 2ch) into next sp - counts as 1tr in this and subsequent rnds, (2fptr around next tr, 1tr into each of the next 2sps - **always begin in the space that immediately follows the fptr**) 6 times, 2fptr around next tr, 1tr into next sp, ss to 2nd of 2ch (28sts).

Note: You now have 7 sections, each separated by 2 front post trebles. In the rows that follow, the front post trebles will remain lined up while the number of trebles in each section increases.

Rnd 3: (1dc, 2ch) into next sp, (1fptra around each fptra, 1tr into each sp across section as per note above) 6 times, 1fptra around each fptra, 1tr into each sp to end, ss to 2nd of 2ch.

Rep rnd 3, until your circle measures the diameter indicated, on the cocoon size chart, for the appropriate chest size. Try to get as close to the diameter indicated as possible. In cases where you cannot meet the diameter exactly, the following guidelines should be used:

- If your yarn is very stretchy when worked up, you should take this stretch into account when measuring. Be careful not to overstretch.
- If your yarn has no stretch when worked up, it is better to go slightly over (than under).

Proceed to body.

Body

Rnd 1: (1dc, 2ch) into current st, *1fptra around each fptra, 1tr into each tr (worked normally into the top of the stitch), repeat from * to end, ss to 2nd of 2ch.

Repeat round 1 until cocoon measures, (from the base), the desired length (foot to chest) - see table for guideline measurements.

Proceed to border.

Border - worked as a dc rib, sideways around the cocoon.

Rnd 1: 8ch, miss first ch from hook, 1dc into each of the next 7ch, ss into next 2sts along the edge of the cocoon, turn - 7sts.

Rnd 2: Working in BLO, miss 2ss and work 1dc into each of the 7sts, turn - 7sts.

Rnd 3: Working in BLO, 1dc into each of the 7sts - ensure you do not miss the very first st - no turning ch needed, ss into next 2sts along the edge of the cocoon, turn.

Rep rows 2 and 3 around the cocoon ending with a 2 row gap. Bring together the two open edges and, working in BLO, ss together. Fasten off and neaten ends. Decorate with ribbons, bows, pom-poms or embellishments of your choice. See page 2 for rosebuds and leaves used in example picture.