

The Baylie Bear Cowl



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Materials needed:

- U.S. size M/13-9.00 mm crochet hook
- Super bulky weight yarn (90 yards 3/6 months - 105 yards 6/12 months - 130 yards 12/18 months - 180 yards toddler - 220 yards child - 300 yards adult) Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick yarn
- 1 1.5 inch button (12/18 months, toddler, child, adult sizes)
- 1 1 inch button (3/6 months, 6/12 months)

Gauge: 2 stitches = 1 inch

With your crochet hook chain the number of chains needed to obtain the size of cowl you would like to make.

Chain 28 3/6 months
Chain 32 6/12 months
Chain 36 12/18 months
Chain 40 toddler (approx. 2T-4T)
Chain 44 child (approx. 6-10)
Chain 48 adult and teen

Join with a slip stitch to begin crocheting in the round (careful not to twist your stitches).

Round 1: chain 2, (counts as first hdc), hdc in each chain all around, slip stitch into first hdc.

Round 2: chain 2 (counts as first hdc), hdc in each hdc around, slip stitch into first hdc.

Repeat round 2:
2 rounds (3/6 months)
4 rounds (6/12 months)
5 rounds (12/18 months)
6 rounds (toddler)
7 rounds (child)
9 rounds (adult/teen)

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Next you have a small decrease, just follow the decrease for the size cowl you are making:

3/6 months: chain 2(counts as first hdc) **hdc 5, dc dec (repeat from**) all around, slip stitch into the first hdc. (24 sts)

6/12 months: chain 2(counts as first hdc) **hdc 6, dc dec (repeat from**) all around, slip stitch into the first hdc. (28 sts)

12/18 months: chain 2(counts as first hdc) **hdc 7, dc dec (repeat from**) all around, slip stitch into the first hdc. (32 sts)

Toddler: chain 2 (counts as first hdc) **hdc 8, dc dec (repeat from**) all around, slip stitch into the first hdc. (36 sts)

Child: chain 2 (counts as first hdc) **hdc 9, dc dec (repeat from**) all around, slip stitch into the first hdc. (40 sts)

Adult/Teen: chain 2 (counts as first hdc) **hdc 10, dc dec (repeat from**) all around, slip stitch into the first hdc. (44 sts)

Hood

Now you are going to be working your hood on your remaining stitches:

24 sts (3/6 months)

28 sts (6/12 months)

32 sts (12/18 months)

36 sts (toddler)

40 sts (child)

44 sts (adult)

You will now be working back and forth across your stitches (NOT working in the round). This will leave you an open front.

Row 1: chain 2, work a hdc in each hdc to the end, turn (so the inside of the cowl is now facing you).

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Row 2: chain 2, work a hdc in all hdc to the end, turn (so the outside of the cowl is now facing you).

Repeat rows 1 & 2 until your hood piece measures in length:

6.5-7 inches (3/6 months)

8 inches (6/12 months)

9.0 inches (12/18 months)

10.5 inches (toddler)

12.5 inches (child)

14.0 inches (adult/teen)

Note: you can easily adjust the length of the hood by adding or removing rows (for a more snug or loose fit).

Now you want to turn the hooded cowl inside out, fold in half and stitch the top together (I like to use a mattress stitch).

Bear ears: make 2

With the crochet hook M/13-9.00 mm you are going to start with a magic circle (instructions can be found at: www.thevelvetacorn.com) under "SUPPORT".

3/6 months, 6/12 months, 12/18 months

Work a slip stitch, 3 single crochet (sc) inside of the circle, pull tight.

Chain 1, turn, sc 2 in the first sc, 1 in the next, 2 in the last sc.
(5 sc)

Chain 1, turn, **sc 2 in the first sc, 1 in the next, repeat from ** all across. (8 sc)

You should now have a half moon shape. Weave your yarn through the bottom of the ear so that when you pull the yarn your ear will gather slightly. Make your second ear.

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Child, Toddler sizes

Work a slip stitch, 3 single crochet (sc) inside of the circle, pull tight.

Chain 1, turn, sc 2 in the first sc, 1 in the next, 2 in the last sc.
(5 sc)

Chain 1, turn, **sc 2 in the first sc, 1 in the next, repeat from ** all across. (8 sc)

Chain 1, turn, **sc 2 in the first sc, 1 in the next, repeat from ** all across. (12sc)

Adult size

Work adult size the same as child, toddler sizes. Next work one more row as follows:

Chain 1, turn, sc in each sc all across. (12 sts)

You should now have a half moon shape. Weave your yarn through the bottom of the ear so that when you pull the yarn your ear will gather slightly. Make your second ear.

When placing your ears you can put them anywhere you like, of course.

Adult, Teen: I place mine approx. 2 inches from the front of the hood and 5 inches apart.

Child, Toddler, 12-18 months: I place mine approx. 1.5 inches from the front of the hood and 4.5 inches apart.

3/6 months, 6/12 months: I place mine approx. 1 inch from the front of the hood and 3 inches apart.

