



Basic Chunky Hat

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size: medium adult (21 inch head circumference)

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Abbreviations

ch: chain

ch tog: chain together

sc: single crochet

st: stitch

Materials

Size K crochet hook

Yarn

This hat can be made using any chunky yarn, or two strands of worsted weight yarn held together. You will need 80 yards of chunky yarn for the main body of the hat, and 60 yards for the brim (if you use two strands of worsted weight yarn, double this amount).

MC- grey (Frog Tree Chunky Alpaca color #10)

SC- pink/grey/black multi (Naturally Merino & Fur color #102) (now discontinued)

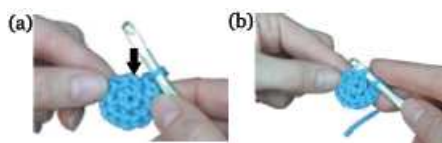
Gauge

5 rows worked in round = 3 inches in diameter

Directions

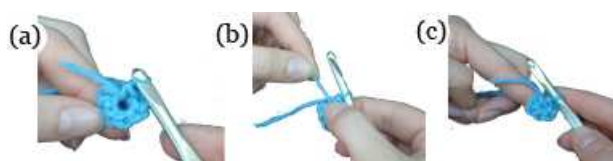
Stitch into the back

All stitches in the round are into the back loop, unless otherwise directed. Look at picture (a), and see how the arrow points to the back loop? You will stitch into this loop, as pictured in (b). Stitching into the back loop creates ridges on the right side of the piece. For rows, you will stitch into the front loop, unless otherwise directed. You can stitch into both loops if you desire, but this will change the look of the final product.



Starting out: the sloppy slip knot

Most pieces in this pattern (as they are based on circles) begin with stitching six times into one loop. We recommend the 'sloppy slip knot' to avoid creating a hole in the center (a). To do this, twist the yarn around the hook to begin, and crochet as directed. Once you have completed your first round, pull on the tail, while holding the loop you have created (b). The loop will end up tighter, as pictured in (c).



The Pattern

Body of Hat

With MC, ch 2

Round 1: sc 6 times in 2nd ch from hook (6)

Round 2: sc twice in each st (12)

Round 3: * sc twice in next st, sc in next st. Repeat from * 5 times (18)

Round 4: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (24)

Round 5: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 3 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (30)

Round 6: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (36)

Round 7: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 5 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (42)

Round 8: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 6 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (48)

Round 9: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 7 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (54)

Round 10: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 8 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (60)

Round 11: * sc twice in next st, sc in each of next 9 sts. Repeat from * 5 times (66)

Round 12: sc in each st (66)

Rounds 13-17: repeat round 12

Do not fasten off. You will continue to work the body of the hat (by adding a brim).

Brim

Round 18: With SC, sc in each st (66)

Rounds 19-24: repeat round 18

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Congrats! You now have an awesome hat!

