







Hugs & Kisses Bucket Sun Hat

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Average Female Adult

Hook: 4 mm / US G

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Project Concept



I really love when texture plays with light to showcase the stitchwork. While you can change the Hugs and Kisses Banding in this hat to various colours, I think the solids really can give a flare without being so obvious.

Our testers Nancy (peach), Diane (purple) and Donna (blue variegated) did up their hats during testing. They checked the gauge and followed the design with their input for corrections. I thought their versions were just as nice and included them with your inspiration.

Yarn

Bernat Softee Cotton, 120g / 4.2 oz, 232 meters / 254 yards

A - Warm Red, 2 Balls

GAUGE 14 sc, and 15 rows double stranded 4" [10 cm] Double Stranded

Abbreviations

- Approx = Approximately
- Beg = Beginning
- Ch = Chain(s)
- Dc = Double crochet
- Hdc = Half double crochet
- Pc = Popcorn stitch. Work 3 dc into the next st, drop the loop from the hook, insert your hook from front to back under the top 2 loops of the first double crochet of the group, ch1 to close.
- Rem = Remaining
- Rep = Repeat
- Rnd(s) = Round(s)
- RS = Right side
- Sc = Single crochet
- Sc2tog = Single crochet 2 together
- SI st = Slip stitch

- Sk = Skip
- X-st: Skip next st, dc into next st, cross back and dc into skipped st.
- Yoh = Yarn over hook



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Instructions

Notes:

- This hat is double stranded for the body and then triple stranded for the brim. I recommend using 2 balls from the centre pull at the same time for the double stranding. When needing to triple strand, grab the outside strand of just one of the balls and you will have the third strand.
- Ch 2 counts as a hdc at beg of rnd.
- Ch 3 counts as a dc at beg of rnd.

With A, ch 2.

1st rnd: RS. 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join with sl st to first sc. 5 sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. Join with sl st to first sc. 10 sc.

3rd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. Join with sl st to first sc. 20 sc.

4th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in next st, ch 1. *1 dc in next 2 sts, ch 1. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 20 dc and 10 ch 1 sps.

5th rnd: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st and ch 1 sp around. Join with sl st to beg sc. 30 sc.

6th rnd: Ch 3, 4 dc in same beg st, sk next 2 sts. *5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts. Rep from * around. Join with sc to top of ch 3. 50 sts.

7th rnd: Ch 1, *1 sc around sp between the two 5 dc groups, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, 1 sc in next st, ch2, sk to next sp between two 5 dc groups,. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to beg sc. 20 sc and 20 ch 2 sps.

8th rnd: SI st to next ch 2 sp. Ch 3, 2 dc in same ch sp. *3 dc in next ch 2 sp. Rep from * around. Join with sc to top of ch 3. 60 dc.

9th rnd: Ch 1, *1 sc around sp between the two 3 dc groups, ch 1, sk next st, 1 sc in next, ch1, sk to next sp between two 3 dc groups, . Rep from * around. Join with sl st to beg sc. 40 sc and 40 ch 1 sps.

10th rnd: Ch 1. 1 sc in same beg st, 1 sc in next 6 sts, sk next st. *1 sc in next 7 sts, sk next st. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to beg sc. 70 sc.

Tip: The Hugs and Stitches Combination requires the multiples be in sets of 6. In the next round, we will be adding in 2 extra stitches.

11th rnd: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in next 34 sts, 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in last 34 sts. Join with sl st to beg sc. 72 sc.

12th rnd: Ch 3, 1 dc in each st around. Join with sl st to top of beg ch 3. 72 dc.

13th rnd: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st around. Join with sl st to beg sc. 72 sc.

Tip: When doing the first criss cross, you need to cross back to the last st before the round, don't go into the space where the slip stitch joins as you will create an extra stitch.

14th rnd: Ch 3, working behind ch-3, cross back and dc in previous st, *sk next st, dc, cross back and dc in skipped st. Rep from * around. SI st to top of beg ch 3. 72 dc.

15th rnd: Same as 13th rnd, 72 sc.

16th rnd: Ch 2, pc in next st, hdc in next st. *1 hdc in next st, 1 pc in next st, 1 hdc in next st. Rep from * around. SI st to top of beg ch 2. 48 hdc and 24 pc. 72 sts total.

17th rnd: Same as 13th rnd. 72 sc. Note: remember to sk ch1 sts from Rnd 16, those were placed to "lock" popcorn st.

18th rnd: Same as 14th rnd. 72 dc.

Tip: Return back to 70 sts, we will decrease by 2 stitches in the next round.

19th rnd: Ch 1, sc2tog, 1 sc in next 34 sts, sc2tog, 1 sc in last 34 sts. Join with sl st to beg sc. 70 sc.

20th rnd: Same as 12th rnd. 70 dc.

Tip: Triple stranding is required from this point. Grab a second yarn tail from just one ball. Create a slip knot and put onto the hook as you begin this round. There should be three strands in use going forward.

21st rnd: Triple strand, using front loops only for this rnd. Ch 2, 1 hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next.

*1 hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of beg ch 2. 84 hdc.

22nd rnd: Ch 2, 1 hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next. *1 hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of beg ch 2. 98 hdc.

23rd and 24th rnds: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to top of beg ch 2. 98 hdc. Fasten off at the end of 24th rnd.