

HOT CAKES Crochet Hats



To Fit: Adult

Approximate Finished Circumference: 20"

Materials:

Hot Cakes: 1—200g cake, shown in color 1 Autumn Mix (makes 2 hats)

Gauge: 16 HDCs and 10 rows = 4"

Hook/Notions: Crochet Hook Size 8 H (5mm)

TOP DOWN PUFF HAT

Puff Stitch:

*YO and insert hook into the next st.

YO and draw the yarn through the st, bringing the loop up to the height of the previous st.*

Repeat from * - * 4 times. There will be 11 loops on your hook.

YO and draw the yarn through all 11 loops.

***Hint:** Draw the loops up very loosely. This makes it much easier to go through 11 loops at the end.*

Begin hat at the crown as follows: CH 4. Slip st into the first CH to make a ring.

Round 1: CH 2 (counts as a HDC here and throughout), work 7 HDCs and slip st into the top of the turning CH. [8 HDCs]

Round 2: CH 2, 1 HDC into the same space. 2 HDCs in each st around. Slip st into the top of the turning CH. [16 HDCs]

Round 3: CH 2, 1 HDC into the same space *1 HDC in next st, 2 HDCs in next st. Repeat from * 7 times. Slip st into the top of the turning CH. [24 HDCs]

Round 4: CH 2, 1 HDC in the same space; *1 HDC in next 2 sts, 2 HDCs in the next st. Repeat from * 7 times. Slip st into the top of the turning CH. [32 HDCs]

Round 5: CH 2, 1 HDC in the same space; *1 HDC in next 3 sts, 2 HDCs in the next st. Repeat from * 7 times. Slip st into the top of the turning CH. [40 HDCs]

Continue in this manner, having 1 more single HDC after each increase (2 HDCs in the same st) until you have 64 HDCs. At this point you will have worked 6 single HDCs after each increase.

Work 6 rounds of HDC on the 64 sts, joining at the end of each round as you did before.

Begin 6 rows of puff st as follows:

Row 1: CH 2 (counts as a HDC) to begin the round. *Puff st in next st, 3 HDCs. Repeat from *

Row 2: CH 2, 2 HDCs. *Puff st in next st, 3 HDCs. Repeat from *. Note that the puff st is made in the middle of the 3 HDCs in the preceding row.

Repeat these 2 rounds twice. Work 2 rounds of SC. Fasten off.

ABBREVIATIONS: CH = chain; DC = double crochet; HDC = half double crochet; SC = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); YO = yarn over

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PEBBLE HAT

This is a very simple pattern - Pebble Stitch - Alternate single and double crochets. Work a SC over the DC in the row below and a DC over a SC in the row below. It is worked as a spiral - It's not necessary to end with a slip st join at the end of each round. Just keep going round and round. Keep moving a pin up every few rows as you go to denote where you began the initial round. This tells you where to begin the decrease rows at the top of the hat.

CH 67. Join with a slip st into the first CH.

Round 1: CH 1 (counts as a SC), *DC in the next CH, SC in the next CH. Repeat to the end

All other rounds: DC over the SC; SC over the DC. Note that the inside of the hat faces you as you go round and round.

When hat measures 5", it's time to work the first decrease round. To keep the pattern correct, it is necessary to work double decreases as follows:

Double Decrease

YO the hook, insert hook into the st, and bring up a loop, YO and pull through 2, YO insert hook into the next st and bring up a loop, YO and pull through 2 through 2 (3 loops on the hook) YO and pull through all 3 loops. (2 sts have been decreased.)

1st Decrease Round: Beginning with the first DC, work a double decrease *9 sts in pattern and a double decrease, 7 sts in pattern and a double decrease Repeat from * once and 9 sts in pattern and a double decrease, 7 sts in pattern. 12 sts are decreased. Work 1 round without decreasing.

2nd Decrease Round: Beginning with the first DC, work a double decrease, * 7 sts in pattern, double decrease, 5 sts in pattern, double decrease. Repeat from * once and 7 sts in pattern and a double decrease, 5 sts in pattern. Work 1 round without decreasing.

3rd Decrease Round: Beginning with the first DC, work a double decrease. *5 sts in pattern, double decrease, 3 sts in pattern, double decrease. Repeat from * once and 5 sts in pattern and a double decrease, 3 sts in pattern. Work 1 round without decreasing

4th Decrease Round. Beginning with the first DC, work a double decrease. *3 sts in pattern, double decrease, 1 st in pattern, double decrease. Repeat from * once and 3 sts in pattern and a double decrease, 1 st in pattern. Work 1 round without decreasing.

SC Decrease

Insert hook into next st, YO and pull up a loop; insert hook into next st and pull up a loop; YO and draw yarn through all 3 loops.

Finish off by working SC decreases around until you have closed up the hole. Fasten off and bury this end into the top and the beginning strand of yarn into the bottom of the hat. This is the wrong side. Turn the hat inside out and note that this side is more attractive!

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