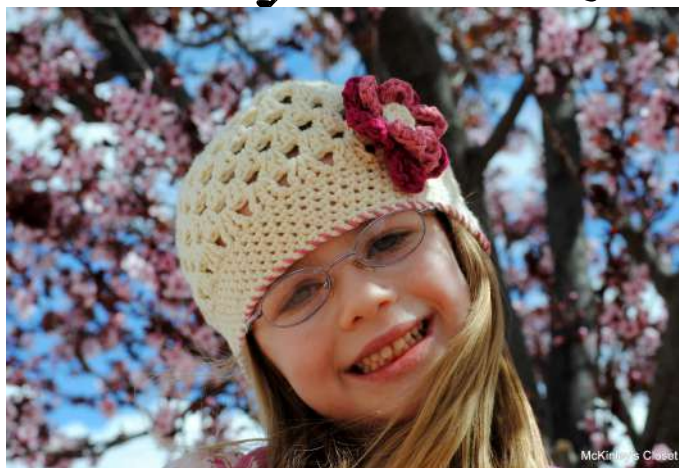


McKinley's Perfect Springtime Hat



Sizes:

Newborn Size(measures 16 inches around)

Toddler Size (measures 19 inches around)

Supplies:

Size G (4.25MM) crochet hook

100 grams worsted weight yarn (I use 100% cotton yarn)

Tapestry needle

Notes:

- In this pattern, unless noted otherwise, the ch2 at the beginning of the round DOES NOT count as the first stitch.
- This pattern is made using 100% cotton yarn, cotton yarn may stretch over time, so it is made a bit tighter to compensate for that.
- The crochet stitches are worked under both top threads.
- To make the flower, I got the free flower pattern here:
<http://littlebirdiesecrets.blogspot.com/2009/03/how-to-crochet-flower-video-tutorial.html>

Gauge: 4 stitches and 5 rows= 1 inch in single crochet

Abbreviations:

Chain (ch), Slip Stitch (sl st), Single Crochet (sc), Half Double Crochet (hdc), Double Crochet (dc), stitch (st), stitches (sts).

Newborn Size:

Foundation: ch4, join with sl st in first st to make a ring.

Round 1: ch2, 9 hdc in ring, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (9 sts)

Round 2: ch2, 2 hdc in each stitch around, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (18 sts)

Round 3: ch2, *2 hdc in first st, 1hdc in next st* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space with a sl st. (27 sts)

Round 4: ch2, *2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in next 2 sts* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space with a sl st. (36 sts)

Round 5: ch2, *2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in next 3 sts* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space with a sl st. (45 sts)

(for the remaining rounds, ch2 DOES count as a stitch)

Round 6: ch2, 2 dc in next st, *skip 2 sts, 3 dc in next st* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space with a sl st.

Round 7: ch2, skip next 2sts, *3 dc in space between the shell, skip 2 sts* repeat from * around, when you get to the end, do 2 dc in space and then connect it to the ch2 at the beginning of the round with a sl st. (by doing this, the ch 2 and the 2 dc become a shell with 3 stitches.)

Rounds 8 and 10: repeat round 6

Rounds 9 and 11: repeat round 7

Round 12-14: ch1, sc around, join to first st with a sl st.

Try not to crochet the sc rounds too tightly as it will not have enough give around the head.

To finish: Cut yarn and fasten off. Weave in the ends with a tapestry needle.

To make Edge: cut a length of a contrasting color yarn 3 times the size of the hat. Thread the yarn into a tapestry needle, start by going through a stitch leaving about a 4 inch tail. Weave through each stitch until you reach the end of the round. Fasten off the ends using a square knot and then weave in the ends. ***see pictures at the end of tutorial.

Toddler Size:

Foundation: ch4, join with sl st in first st to make a ring.

Round 1: ch2, 9 hdc in ring, join to join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (9 sts)

Round 2: ch2, 2 hdc in each stitch around, join to join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (18 sts)

Round 3: ch2, *2 hdc in first st, 1hdc in next st* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (27 sts)

Round 4: ch2, *2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in next 2 sts* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (36 sts)

Round 5: ch2, *2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in next 3 sts* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (45 sts)

Round 6: ch 2, *2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in next 4 sts* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (54 sts)

Round 7: ch 2, *2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in next 5 sts* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space at beginning of round with a sl st. (63 sts)

(for the remaining rounds, ch2 DOES count as a stitch)

Round 8: ch2, 2 dc in next st, *skip 2 sts, 3 dc in next st* repeat from * around, join to ch2 space with a sl st.

Round 9: ch2, skip next 2sts, *3 dc in space between the shell, skip 2 sts* repeat from * around, when you get to the end, do 2 dc in space and then connect it to the ch2 at the beginning of the round with a sl st. (by doing this, the ch 2 and the 2 dc become a shell with 3 stitches.)

Rounds 10 and 12: repeat round 8

Rounds 11 and 13: repeat round 9

Round 14-20: ch1, sc around, join to first st with a sl st.

Try not to crochet the sc rounds too tightly as it will not have enough give around the head.

To finish: Cut yarn and fasten off. Weave in the ends with a tapestry needle.

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