Baby cowboy hat

Baby, 6 to 12 months, head 16½ in (42 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 16½ in (42 cm) round and about 5½ in (14 cm) deep, measured along the cloth from the center of the top to where the brim begins, with a brim about 2¼ in (6 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 29¼ in (74 cm) round

To fit a head of 16½ in (42 cm)

Skill

Easy

A spiral with increases, a crease, a braid and a star sewn on

Yarn

Light (3), 3 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

15 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: tan, the hat — **about 125 yd (114 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: red, the braid and the edge — **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

Yarn C: ivory, the star — **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 60 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a stitch marker, a yarn needle, scissors and pins.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Newborn	13½ in (34 cm)	13¼ in (34 cm) round, 4¾ in (12 cm) deep	about 110 yd (101 m)
Baby, 3 to 6 months	15 in (38 cm)	15 in (38 cm) round, 5 in (13 cm) deep	about 135 yd (123 m)
Baby, 6 to 12 months (this file)	**16½ in (42 cm)**	**16½ in (42 cm) round, 5½ in (14 cm) deep**	**about 155 yd (142 m)**
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	18¼ in (46 cm) round, 6 in (15 cm) deep	about 185 yd (169 m)

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Gauge

15 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The gauge is measured on the hat itself, at the two places the rounds name: across the crown, which checks the height of the rounds, and round the outside of the hat with a soft tape, along the round just worked, which checks the stitches and so the size round. If the hat measures more round than its round says, begin again with a smaller hook; if less, with a larger one. If it is right round and the crown measures more than it says, your rounds are taller than the gauge and the hat will come out deeper than stated; if the crown measures less, it will come out shallower.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 22, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 16½ in (42 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 8.

Notes

- On a baby: leave off the braids for a newborn, sew every part on firmly all round, and take the hat off for sleep.
- Measure the head if you can: put a soft tape round its widest part, across the middle of the forehead and just above the ears, and choose the size whose head measurement is nearest. This hat is not meant to grip: each size is as large round as the head it is for, as nearly as whole stitches allow, which is within about ¼ in (0.5 cm) of it, larger or smaller. The table of sizes gives both measures of each.
- The hat begins with a magic ring: wrap the yarn once round two fingers, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and with the hook draw a loop of the working yarn up through the ring. Keep that loop on the hook and make the chain that round 1 begins with; where round 1 names no chain, make 1 chain to hold the loop, and do not count it. Work the stitches of round 1 into the ring, over the tail too, then pull the tail until the ring is closed.
- The right side of the hat faces you in every round; the rounds are never turned.
- The rounds of the hat are worked in a spiral: do not join; put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.
- To change yarn at the start of a round, finish the last stitch of the round before with the new yarn. Where a yarn rests for 4 rounds or fewer before it is used again, carry it up the inside; where it rests for more, or is not used again, cut it, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Front loop only: of the two loops at the top of a stitch work under the one that lies nearer to you as you work.
- The number at the end of each line is the number of stitches it has when it is finished; chains and slip stitches that are not named there are not counted.
- Cotton and an even, firm hand make a hat that keeps its shape. If your cloth is soft, spray starch on the finished hat, left to dry in its shape, makes it firm. This can be left out.
- The first round of the brim goes into the front loops of the round before it, so that the brim begins with a sharp bend; the back loops stay on the inside.
- The hat has no ties and nothing that hangs loose but the two small tassels of the braid at the back; sew the star and the braid on firmly.
- Baby, 6 to 12 months: for a head of 16½ in (42 cm). The finished hat is about 16½ in (42 cm) round and about 5½ in (14 cm) deep, measured along the cloth from the center of the top to where the brim begins, with a brim about 2¼ in (6 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 29¼ in (74 cm) round.

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
FLO: only the loop nearest you. **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 3 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

pt (star point): Chain 4, then work back along the chain: slip stitch in the 2nd chain from the hook, single crochet in the next chain, half double crochet (UK half treble) in the next chain. Skip the next stitch of the round and slip stitch in the stitch after it. One point takes 2 stitches of the round.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, tan; B, red.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(48 sc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 8.** The crown, laid flat, should measure about 4 in (10 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnds 9 to 12** 9 10 11 12	Sc in each st around	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st	(55 sc)
☐ **Rnds 14 to 16** 14 15 16	Sc in each st around	(55 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	(62 sc)
☐ **Rnds 18 to 20** 18 19 20	Sc in each st around	(62 sc)

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Band

☐ **Rnds 21 to 22**	Sc in each st around	(62 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

21 **22**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 22.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 16½ in (42 cm) round.

Brim

☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**Sc in FLO of next 10 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 2 times**, **[**sc in FLO of next 9 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 4 times**	(68 sc)
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 4 times**	(74 sc)
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**Sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 4 times**	(86 sc)
☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**Sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(92 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 4 times**	(98 sc)
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**Sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(104 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 2 times**, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 4 times**	(110 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	With B, sc in each st around	(110 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Star

Yarn C, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(10 sc)

The star begins with a magic ring like the hat; the chain at the start of round 1 does not count as a stitch. Round 2 has no chain of its own at its start: the first point begins from the loop on the hook, the stitch it skips is the one after the joined stitch, and the slip stitch of the last point falls in the joined stitch itself.

☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**Pt over next 2 sts**] 5 times**	(5 pt)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 25 in (64 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Pull the ring at the start of the hat closed once more and weave its tail through the stitches of round 1 on the inside.

2. Number the 62 stitches of round 22, the last round before the brim, in the order in which they were worked, with stitch 1 the first of the round. The middle of the back lies between stitch 62 and stitch 1, and the middle of the front

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between stitch 31 and stitch 32; the middle of one side lies at stitch 16, and the middle of the other side at stitch 47. Put a marker or a pin in each of these four places.

3. The crease runs along the top of the hat from front to back. Count the rounds from the center of the top, and put a pin in round 10 straight above the marked middle of the front and a pin in round 9 straight above the marked middle of the back. Turn the hat inside out, and pinch the top into a fold that runs from one pin over the center of the top to the other and stands up on the inside, about ½ in (1.5 cm) high at the center and lower and lower toward the two pins. Cut a strand of yarn A 25 in (64 cm) long and thread it. From pin to pin run stitches about ¼ in (0.5 cm) long through both layers of the fold, at its foot; fasten the strand at both ends. Turn the hat right side out again and press the crease down with the side of your hand; the top stands up on both sides of it. Take out these two pins.

4. Braid: cut 9 strands of yarn B, each 40 in (102 cm) long, and knot them together about 3 in (7.5 cm) from one end. Braid them in three groups of three strands until the braid is about 20½ in (52 cm) long from that knot, knot the end and trim the strands beyond both knots to about 1 in (2.5 cm). Lay the braid round the outside of the hat just above the brim, over rounds 21 and 22, beginning and ending at the middle of the back, and tie its two ends in a single knot there. Cut 4 strands of yarn B, each 10 in (25 cm) long, and sew the braid down with one strand at each of the four marked places, at the middle of the back through the knot. At each place bring the needle from the inside of the hat out through round 22, leaving an end of 4 in (10 cm) on the inside, up through the middle of the braid, and back to the inside through round 21. Make the same stitch a second time, and tie the two ends of the strand on the inside in a double knot. At the end trim the tassels at the middle of the back to about ½ in (1.5 cm).

5. Star: weave its beginning tail in on its back. Its center goes on round 19, straight above the marked middle of the front, with one point straight up; its two lower points lie on the braid. Pin it, pull its points straight, and sew it down with its long tail, with small stitches over the edge all round.

6. The brim is turned up at the two sides, over the braid. At the middle of each side bend the brim up against the side of the hat, so that its edge lies on round 14 of the hat. Pin it. Cut a strand of yarn A 20 in (51 cm) long for each side, and from the inside of the hat sew the brim to the side of the hat just under the edging, with five stitches one beside another over a width of about 1 in (2.5 cm); take up only the loops on the side of the brim that lies against the hat, so that the stitches do not show. The front and the back of the brim stay down.

Finishing

- Weave in every end on the inside of the hat.

In all: 2 pieces.

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