Baby sun hat

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



Finished size
About 16¾ in (43 cm) round and about 5½ in (14 cm) deep, with a brim about 2¼ in (6 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 27½ in (70 cm) round
To fit a head of 16½ in (42 cm)

Skill
Easy
A spiral with increases, a bow

Yarn
Light (3), 2 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

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

You will need

Yarn A: white, the hat — **about 120 yd (110 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: watermelon, the bow and the edge — **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7). Also: a soft tape measure, a stitch marker, a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. 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)	13¾ in (35 cm) round, 4½ in (11 cm) deep	about 100 yd (91 m)
Baby, 3 to 6 months	15 in (38 cm)	15¼ in (39 cm) round, 5 in (13 cm) deep	about 120 yd (110 m)
Baby, 6 to 12 months (this file)	**16½ in (42 cm)**	**16¾ in (43 cm) round, 5½ in (14 cm) deep**	**about 145 yd (133 m)**
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	18¼ in (46 cm) round, 6 in (15 cm) deep	about 170 yd (155 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

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.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 10.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 14, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 16¾ in (43 cm) round.

Before you start

- 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 made as large round as the head it is for, or a little larger, by no more than about ¼ in (0.5 cm), as nearly as whole stitches allow (in the rounded centimeters below that can show as 1 cm).
- The pattern is written in United States terms; the United Kingdom term stands beside each stitch in the list of abbreviations.
- 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).
- 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.

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- The bow is worked in rows: the chain at the start of a row does not count as a stitch, and the first stitch after the turn goes into the last stitch of the row before.
- Baby, 6 to 12 months: for a head of 16½ in (42 cm). The finished hat is about 16¾ in (43 cm) round and about 5½ in (14 cm) deep, with a brim about 2¼ in (6 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 27½ in (70 cm) round.

Instructions

Chosen: Baby, 6 to 12 months, head 16½ in (42 cm). Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, white; B, watermelon.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(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)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 10.** After round 10 the crown, laid flat, should measure about 5 in (13 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**Sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	**(63 sc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnds 12 to 14**	Sc in each st around	**(63 sc)**

A box for each round, 12 to 14: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

12 13 **14**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 14.** After round 14, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 16¾ in (43 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 15 to 22**	Sc in each st around	**(63 sc)**

A box for each round, 15 to 22: tick them off as you go.

15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

Brim

☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 7 times**, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(71 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 24**	Sc in each st around	**(71 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 7 times**, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(79 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	Sc in each st around	**(79 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 7 times**, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(87 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	Sc in each st around	**(87 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 7 times**, sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(95 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	With B, sc in each st around	**(95 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 7 times**, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(103 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Bow

Yarn B, watermelon.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 13, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 6: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 40 in (102 cm).	

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. Bow: weave the beginning tail of the strip in along its edge first, on the back. With the needle run the long tail along the edge of the strip, through the edge stitches, to the middle of one long side. Fold the strip into pleats across its middle and wrap the tail tightly round the pinch about 10 times to make the knot; fasten it at the back. With what is left of the tail sew the bow to the middle of the front, opposite the place where the last round of the hat begins, just above the brim, through the knot.

Finishing

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

In all: 2 pieces; 1,925 stitches (1,853 in the hat, 72 in the bow); 6 ends to weave in.

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