Diamond stitch beanie

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 21 in (53 cm) round and about 9¾ in (25 cm) deep; "round" is the brim, and the body above it is about 22¼ in (57 cm) round before the raised lines draw it in

To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

Joined rounds, long post stitches that lean, bobbles, a ribbed brim

Yarn

Medium (4)

Hook

5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge

13 stitches and 10 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn: any one color (heathered denim in the picture), medium (4) **about 215 yd (197 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 110 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: a soft tape measure, a yarn needle and scissors.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	18½ in (47 cm) round, 8 in (20 cm) deep	about 150 yd (137 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm) round, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep	about 170 yd (155 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**21 in (53 cm) round, 9¾ in (25 cm) deep**	**about 215 yd (197 m)**
Man	23 in (58 cm)	22¼ in (57 cm) round, 9¾ in (25 cm) deep	about 220 yd (201 m)
Man, large	24 in (61 cm)	23½ in (60 cm) round, 10 in (25 cm) deep	about 245 yd (224 m)

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Gauge

13 stitches and 10 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 9, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 22¼ in (57 cm) round.

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 depths given are worked out from the rounds: to 4 in (10 cm) go 14 rounds of single crochet or 10 rounds of half double crochet or 7 rounds of double crochet or 7 rounds of post stitches. Post stitches often come out a little shorter than that, and then the hat is a little shallower than stated.

Instructions

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ch chain, **hdc** half double crochet (UK htr), **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **st** stitch.

2 hdc in next st: **both in one stitch**. Hdc in next 2 sts: one in each.

Do not turn: the outside faces you all the time. The ch 2 is not a stitch. The first hdc goes **where the slip stitch went**.
Working in the round

[ ] 8 times: 8 times in all. (24 hdc): the round now has 24; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**

Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Special stitches

FPdc (front post double crochet; UK FPtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from front to back and to the front again around the post of the stitch named, and finish as a double crochet. The post stands out toward you.

BPdc (back post double crochet; UK BPtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from back to front and to the back again around the post of the stitch named, and finish as a double crochet. The post stands away from you.

dc2tog (double crochet 2 together; UK tr2tog): [Yarn over, pull up a loop in the next stitch, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] twice, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops: 1 stitch decreased.

bob (bobble): In the place named work 5 unfinished double crochet (UK treble): [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 5 times (6 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. Push the bobble out to the right side, the side that faces you. In the next round the stitch over the bobble goes under the two top loops of that last pull-through.

rtf (forward-leaning raised treble): A front post treble crochet (UK front post double treble) around a raised stitch of the round before last. Find the place straight below the next stitch, two rounds down, and count 2 stitches back from it, against the way you work: there the raised stitch stands; yarn over twice, insert the hook from front to back and to the front again around the post of that stitch, draw up a loop about 1 in (2.5 cm) long so that the stitch can lie flat, [yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 3 times. It takes the place of the next stitch of the round, which is left unworked behind it and is used up.

rtb (back-leaning raised treble): A front post treble crochet (UK front post double treble) around a raised stitch of the round before last. Find the place straight below the next stitch, two rounds down, and count 2 stitches on from it, the way you work: there the raised stitch stands; yarn over twice, insert the hook from front to back and to the front again around the post of that stitch, draw up a loop about 1 in (2.5 cm) long so that the stitch can lie flat, [yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 3 times. It takes the place of the next stitch of the round, which is left unworked behind it and is used up.

rt2 (two raised trebles worked together): Two lines meet. First leg: yarn over twice, insert the hook from front to back and to the front again around the post of the raised stitch that stands two rounds down and 2 stitches back from the place straight below the next stitch, draw up a loop about 1 in (2.5 cm) long, [yarn over, pull through 2 loops] twice (2 loops on the hook). Second leg: the same around the post of the raised stitch that stands two rounds down and 2 stitches on from that place (3 loops on the hook). Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. The two legs count as one stitch. It takes the place of the next stitch of the round, which is left unworked behind it and is used up.

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☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring. *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.*	

Crown

☐ **Round 1**	Ch 2, 8 hdc in the ring, pull the tail to close it, sl st in first hdc to join	(8 hdc)
☐ **Round 2**	Ch 2, 2 hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(16 hdc)
☐ **Round 3**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(24 hdc)
☐ **Round 4**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(32 hdc)
☐ **Round 5**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(40 hdc)
☐ **Round 6**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(48 hdc)
☐ **Round 7**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(56 hdc)
☐ **Round 8**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 6 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(64 hdc)
☐ **Round 9**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 7 sts**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 9.** The crown, laid flat, should measure about 7¼ in (18 cm) across. Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 22¼ in (57 cm) round. Larger? Begin again with a smaller hook. Smaller? A larger hook.

Diamonds

☐ **Round 10**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, FPdc around next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(63 sc, 9 FPdc)
☐ **Round 11**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)
☐ **Round 12**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 3 sts, rtf in next st, sc in next 3 sts, rtb in next st**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc, 9 rtf, 9 rtb)
☐ **Round 13**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)
☐ **Round 14**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts, rt2 in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc, 9 bob, 9 rt2)
☐ **Round 15**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)
☐ **Round 16**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 3 sts, rtb in next st, sc in next 3 sts, rtf in next st**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc, 9 rtb, 9 rtf)
☐ **Round 17**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)
☐ **Round 18**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, rt2 in next st, sc in next 3 sts, bob in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc, 9 rt2, 9 bob)
☐ **Round 19**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)
☐ **Round 20**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 3 sts, rtf in next st, sc in next 3 sts, rtb in next st**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc, 9 rtf, 9 rtb)
☐ **Round 21**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)

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☐ **Round 22**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts, rt2 in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 9 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc, 9 bob, 9 rt2)

Brim

☐ **Round 23**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 16 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(68 dc)
☐ **Rounds 24 to 25** 24 25	Ch 3, **[**FPdc around each of next 2 sts, BPdc around each of next 2 sts**] 17 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(34 FPdc, 34 BPdc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Finishing

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

In all: 25 rounds; 2 ends to weave in.

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.

Notes

- 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. The raised lines draw the body in, so "round" is measured at the brim, which is about ½ to 1½ in (1 to 4 cm) smaller than the head. The list below gives the measures of each size.
- The right side of the hat faces you in every round; the rounds are never turned.
- The chain that begins a round is not a stitch. The first stitch goes in the same place as the slip stitch.
- A post stitch goes around the post of the stitch straight below it in the round before, whatever kind of stitch that is; the line says whether it is a front post or a back post stitch.
- 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.
- What the note above says of a post stitch is so for the FPdc and the BPdc. The raised trebles (rtf, rtb and rt2) reach two rounds down: the round just below them is plain half double crochet, and the raised stitch they go around stands in the round before that.
- Every second round of the diamonds is worked in single crochet with the raised stitches in it; the rounds between are half double crochet, one in the top of every stitch, the raised ones and the bobbles too. The raised lines begin with the FPdc of the first round of the diamonds, lean away from each other, meet in an rt2, and lean apart again from it: the next rtf and the next rtb then both go around that rt2, around its two legs at once.
- Forward and back are told by the way you work, so they are right for either hand. Near the join, count straight on across it: the raised stitch 2 stitches back or 2 stitches on may stand on the other side of the join, in the same round two rounds down.
- A bobble is worked with the right side facing you. Make the single crochet on both sides of it firm, so that it stays round.
- In the first round of the ribbing: where the stitch below is two double crochet worked together, the hook goes around both of its legs at once, as if they were one post. A dc2tog counts as 1 dc.

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