Donut beret

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 21 in (53 cm) round and about 8¼ in (21 cm) deep from the center of the top to the edge of the band, measured along the cloth; the crown spreads to about 9¾ in (25 cm) across

To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill

Easy

Increases and decreases in joined rounds, a second layer sewn on, straight stitches

Yarn

Medium (4), 6 colors

Hook

5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: biscuit, the beret	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: candy pink, the icing	**about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cocoa, the middle of the beret	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: white, some sprinkles	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: butter, some sprinkles	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: clear blue, some sprinkles	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a yarn needle, scissors, a little toy stuffing for the icing 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. Yarns A, B and C: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarns D, E and F: the estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	18½ in (47 cm) round, 7¾ in (20 cm) deep	about 210 yd (192 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm) round, 8 in (20 cm) deep	about 245 yd (224 m)

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Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**21 in (53 cm) round, 8¼ in (21 cm) deep**	**about 255 yd (233 m)**

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

Special stitches

sc2tog (single crochet 2 together; UK dc2tog): Pull up a loop in each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops: 1 stitch decreased. It leaves 1 single crochet for the next round.

Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The gauge is measured on the beret itself, at the two places the rounds name: across the crown, which checks the height of the rounds, and round the outside of the beret with a soft tape, along the round just worked, which checks the stitches and so the size round. If the beret 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 beret 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 29, put a soft tape round the outside of the beret along that round, without pulling it in: the beret should measure about 21 in (53 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 17.

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. Each size is made about 1 in (2.5 cm) smaller round than the head it is for, as nearly as whole repeats of its stitches allow, so that it stays on.
- The pattern is written in United States terms, the directions of the special stitches too; the United Kingdom term stands beside each stitch in the list of abbreviations.
- The beret 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 beret faces you in every round; the rounds are never turned.
- A joined round begins with a chain that does not count as a stitch and ends with a slip stitch in its first stitch. Unless the line says otherwise, the first stitch of the next round goes into the same place as that slip stitch.

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- To change yarn at the start of a round, finish the joining slip 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.
- The icing is worked in joined rounds like the beret, its right side toward you, and begins with a ring of chains: see that the chain is not twisted. Round 1 is worked into each chain, one stitch in each, the first of them into the chain that was joined.

Instructions

Chosen: Woman, head 22 in (56 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Beret

Yarns in order of use: C, cocoa; A, biscuit.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring with yarn C.	
Crown		
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	With C, ch 1, 6 sc in MR, sl st in first sc to join	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	With A, ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(78 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 13 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(90 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(96 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(102 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 17. The crown, laid flat, should measure about 9¾ in (25 cm) across.

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Edge

☐ **Rnds 18 to 20**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 18 to 20: tick them off as you go.

18 19 20

Underside

☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 6 times**, **[**sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(94 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(85 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(76 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**

Band

☐ **Rnds 25 to 29**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**

A box for each round, 25 to 29: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

25 26 27 28 **29**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 29.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the beret along that round, without pulling it in: the beret should measure about 21 in (53 cm) round.

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Icing

Yarn B, candy pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 30, leaving a tail of 32 in (81 cm) before the first chain, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around, sl st in first sc to join	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(42 sc)**
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☐ **Rnds 11 to 12** Ch 1,

> **[**sc in next st, hdc in next st, dc in next 4 sts, hdc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next 2 sts, hdc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**,

sl st in first sc to join **(24 sc, 24 hdc, 36 dc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 12: tick them off as you go.

11 12

☐ **End** Fasten off, leaving a tail of 90 in (229 cm) for sewing.

Assembly

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

2. Sprinkles, worked on the icing before it is sewn on, its right side toward you. Each is one straight stitch, worked over a second time in the same two places, so that it is two strands thick. Number the stitches of a round from its joined stitch, which is stitch 1, in the direction in which they were worked. Work on round 3, 7 sprinkles, the first over stitch 2 and then one over every 6th stitch after it, the last over stitch 38; on round 5, 9 sprinkles, the first over stitch 5 and then one over every 6th stitch after it, the last over stitch 53; on round 7, 11 sprinkles, the first over stitch 1 and then one over every 6th stitch after it, the last over stitch 61; on round 9, 13 sprinkles, the first over stitch 4 and then one over every 6th stitch after it, the last over stitch 76. That is 40 sprinkles. Each begins at the foot of its stitch and runs outward, away from the hole, over that round and the next, to the top of the round after its own. In the order of the rounds they lie three ways in turn, two sprinkles of each way: straight outward, about ½ in (1.5 cm) long; slanting, so that the outer end lies 2 stitches farther on in the direction in which the round was worked, about ¾ in (2 cm) long; slanting the other way, the outer end 2 stitches back, as long as the last kind. The two ends are what counts; the lengths follow from them. Take the yarns in turn too: one sprinkle of D, one of E, one of F, then again from the beginning, going on from round to round. Begin each yarn with a tail of 6 in (15 cm) on the wrong side of the icing and leave another of 6 in (15 cm) there when its last sprinkle is done; on the wrong side run each yarn from sprinkle to sprinkle through the backs of the stitches.

3. Ends of the icing: before the icing is sewn on, weave the two tails of D, the two of E and the two of F in on the wrong side of the icing, each back and forth through the backs of about 8 stitches of it, so that none shows on the right side, and cut them short. They cannot be reached when the icing is sewn down. The two long tails of yarn B, at the beginning chain and at the last round, stay: they sew the icing on.

4. Icing: lay the icing on the beret, its right side up, so that its hole lies round the brown middle of the beret and the two joining lines lie one over the other. With its beginning tail sew the beginning chain of the icing to round 5 of the beret, the last brown round, over and over, all round: the 30 chains to the 30 stitches of that round, one chain to the top of each stitch.

5. Pin the edge of the icing to the crown all round: the places of the edge that lie farthest in, which are the single crochet between the waves, go on round 14 of the beret, and the waves reach out beyond it. The icing is larger than the cloth under it, so it stands up as a ring. With its long tail sew the edge down, the needle going each time under the top of a stitch of the last round of the icing and through the beret; when about 3 in (8 cm) are still open, pad the ring between the icing and the beret lightly and evenly with toy stuffing, so that the icing is rounded and still soft, and sew the rest closed. No stuffing lies under the brown middle. Fasten both sewing tails on the inside of the beret.

Finishing

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

In all: 2 pieces; 2,625 stitches (1,887 in the beret, 738 in the icing).

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