Fair Isle style earflap hat

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 21 in (53 cm) round and about 8¾ in (22 cm) deep, the edging included and the earflaps not; the earflaps hang about 3½ in (9 cm) below that edge

To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill

Advanced

Three colors carried in the round, flaps worked in rows

Yarn

Medium (4), 3 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: teal, the hat and the earflaps	**about 135 yd (123 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ivory, the first pattern color, the edging and the ties	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: gold, the second pattern color	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: a soft tape measure, a yarn needle, scissors and 4 stitch markers (for the flaps).

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
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	18½ in (47 cm) round, 7¾ in (20 cm) deep	about 160 yd (146 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm) round, 8¼ in (21 cm) deep	about 175 yd (160 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**21 in (53 cm) round, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep**	**about 195 yd (178 m)**
Man	23 in (58 cm)	22¼ in (57 cm) round, 9½ in (24 cm) deep	about 215 yd (196 m)
Man, large	24 in (61 cm)	23½ in (60 cm) round, 9½ in (24 cm) deep	about 225 yd (205 m)

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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)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

Special stitches

sc2tog (single crochet 2 together): 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 row.

Gauge

13 stitches and 14 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 11.

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 21 in (53 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. 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 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.
- 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.
- 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).

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- Where one round has two yarns, carry the yarn not in use along the top of the round before and work over it, and change yarn in the last yarn over of the stitch before the new color. Pull the carried yarn neither tight nor loose, so that the round keeps its size. The chain at the start of such a round is made in the yarn of its first stitch: finish the joining slip stitch before it with that yarn. A line that names no yarn goes on in the yarn the line before it ended with.
- 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 earflaps are worked in rows: the chain at the start of a row does not count as a stitch, and the first stitch goes into the last stitch of the row before.
- Woman: for a head of 22 in (56 cm). The finished hat is about 21 in (53 cm) round and about 8¾ in (22 cm) deep, the edging included and the earflaps not; the earflaps hang about 3½ in (9 cm) below that edge.

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 and sc is double crochet.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, teal; B, ivory; C, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	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**	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)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 11.** After round 11 the crown, laid flat, should measure about 6¼ in (16 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 32 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnds 13 to 14**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

13 **14**

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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 21 in (53 cm) round.

☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1, **[**with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st**] 34 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	Ch 1, **[**with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 1, **[**with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 1, **[**with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 1, **[**with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 1, **[**with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	Ch 1, **[**with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st**] 34 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 28 to 30**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(68 sc)**

A box for each round, 28 to 30: tick them off as you go.

☐ 28 ☐ 29 ☐ 30

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

Earflap: make 2

Yarn A, teal.

Mark the edge for the flaps. Number the 68 stitches of the last round in the order they were worked; the middle of the back lies between stitch 68 and stitch 1. Leave stitches 1 to 7 for the back, mark the first and the last stitch of one flap, which takes stitches 8 to 21, leave stitches 22 to 47 for the front, mark the first and the last stitch of the other flap, which takes stitches 48 to 61, and leave stitches 62 to 68 for the back.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side of the hat facing you and the crown at the bottom, join yarn A with a slip stitch in the first of the 14 stitches marked for this flap (stitch 8 for the first flap, stitch 48 for the second).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next 13 sts	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(14 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3

☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog over next 2 sts, sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog over next 2 sts, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog over next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog over next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog over next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts	**(4 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 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. Edging, worked once round the whole hat and both flaps: with the right side facing you and the crown at the bottom, join yarn B with a slip stitch in stitch 1, at the middle of the back, and ch 1. Single crochet in each stitch of the back to the flap (7); along the side of the flap to its last row, 1 single crochet in the end of each row (12); across the last row 2 single crochet in the first stitch, 1 in each of the next 2, 2 in the last (6); back along the other side to the hat, 1 in the end of each row (12); 1 in each stitch of the front (26); round the second flap like the first (30); 1 in each stitch that is left of the back (7). Slip stitch in the first single crochet to join: 100 single crochet. Fasten off.

3. Braided ties: for each flap cut 6 strands of yarn B 27 in (69 cm) long. With the hook pull them halfway through the edging at the middle of the flap's lower end, so that 12 ends hang level; part them in 3 groups of 4, braid for about 9 in (23 cm), knot and trim the ends.

Finishing

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

In all: 3 pieces; 1,924 stitches (1,688 in the hat, 118 in each earflap); 10 ends to weave in.

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