Fishing hat with a fish and fly loops

Man, head 23 in (58 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 23½ in (60 cm) round and about 7¼ in (18 cm) deep, measured along the cloth from the center of the top to where the brim begins, with a brim about 3¼ in (8 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 38¾ in (98 cm) round

To fit a head of 23 in (58 cm)

Skill

Easy

Joined rounds with increases, a strip and a small fish sewn on

Yarn

Medium (4), 3 colors

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 A: sand, the hat and the fly band	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: olive, the band and the edge	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: rust, the fish	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 140 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, 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
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	21 in (53 cm) round, 6¾ in (17 cm) deep	about 240 yd (219 m)
Woman	22 in (56 cm)	22¼ in (57 cm) round, 6¾ in (17 cm) deep	about 245 yd (224 m)
Man (this file)	**23 in (58 cm)**	**23½ in (60 cm) round, 7¼ in (18 cm) deep**	**about 275 yd (251 m)**
Man, large	24 in (61 cm)	24½ in (62 cm) round, 7½ in (19 cm) deep	about 305 yd (279 m)

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Gauge

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

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 12, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 23½ in (60 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 7.

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. This hat is not meant to grip: each size comes out about as large round as the head it is for, within about ¾ in (2 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 chain that begins a round is not a stitch. The first stitch goes in the same place as the 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).
- Back loop only: of the two loops at the top of a stitch work under the one that lies farther from you as you work.
- 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.
- The fly band and the tail fin are 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.
- Every second round of the brim goes into the back loops of the round before it; the front loops that stay free lie in rings on the top of the brim like lines of stitching and make it firm.
- 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.

Instructions

Man, head 23 in (58 cm). US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.

BLO: only the loop away from you. **FLO**: only the loop nearest you. **RS** right side, the one that shows.

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

[ ] 8 times: work what is inside 8 times in all.

(8 hdc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

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Special stitches

tr (treble crochet): Yarn over twice, insert the hook in the place named, pull up a loop, [yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 3 times.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, sand; B, olive.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

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

> **Stop and measure now, after round 7.** The crown, laid flat, should measure about 5½ in (14 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 9 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 2 times**, **[**hdc in next 8 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(62 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, sl st in first hdc to join	(69 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(69 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 9 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 6 times**, hdc in next 8 sts, 2 hdc in next st, sl st in first hdc to join	(76 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(76 hdc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 12.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 23½ in (60 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 13 to 15** 13 14 15	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(76 hdc)

Band

☐ **Rnd 16**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(76 sc)
☐ **Rnds 17 to 19** 17 18 19	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(76 sc)

Brim

☐ **Rnd 20**	With A, ch 1, **[**sc in FLO of next 7 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 6 times**, **[**sc in FLO of next 6 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(86 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(86 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 4 sts**] 6 times**, **[**sc in BLO of next 3 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 4 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(96 sc)
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(96 sc)
☐ **Rnd 24**	Ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next 9 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st**] 6 times**, **[**sc in BLO of next 8 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(106 sc)
☐ **Rnd 25**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(106 sc)
☐ **Rnd 26**	Ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next 5 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 5 sts**] 6 times**, **[**sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 5 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(116 sc)
☐ **Rnd 27**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(116 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	Ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next 11 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st**] 6 times**, **[**sc in BLO of next 10 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(126 sc)
☐ **Rnd 29**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(126 sc)

Edge

☐ **Rnd 30**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(126 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Fly band

Yarn A, sand.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 77, 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	(76 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(76 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30 cm) for sewing.	

Fish

Yarn C, rust.

The second row goes on from the first without turning: the fish is worked down one side of its beginning chain and back up the other side of it, one stitch in the other side of each chain, beginning in the chain beside the one that took 3 single crochet. Its last stitch goes into the same chain as the first stitch of row 1. The end with 3 single crochet in one chain is the nose.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 11, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, tr in next 4 chs, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, 3 sc in last ch	(4 sc, 2 hdc, 2 dc, 4 tr)
☐ **Row 2**	Do not turn; working along the other side of the foundation ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, tr in next 4 chs, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch	(2 hdc, 2 dc, 4 tr, 1 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 30 in (76 cm) for sewing.	

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Tail fin

Yarn C, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 2, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook	(1 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in next st	(2 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in next st, sc in next st	(3 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(4 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 20 in (51 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 76 stitches of round 19, 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 76 and stitch 1, and the middle of the front between stitch 38 and stitch 39; the middle of one side lies between stitch 19 and stitch 20, and the middle of the other side between stitch 57 and stitch 58. Put a marker or a pin in each of these four places.

3. Fish: weave in the beginning tails of the fish and of the tail fin on their wrong sides. The middle of the fish goes on round 11 of the hat, straight above a place of round 19 that lies 2 stitches from the middle of the front toward the side marked between stitch 57 and stitch 58. The fish lies level, right side up, its nose toward that marked side and its tail end toward the other marked side; with its tail fin it then lies in the middle of the front. Lay the tail fin behind it, right side up, its point, where its rows began, just under the end of the fish that is opposite the nose, where its long tail hangs, and its last row, the wide one, away from the fish. Pin both. Sew the tail fin down round its edge with its long tail, then the fish with its own, with small stitches over the edge. Eye and gill: with one strand of yarn A 20 in (51 cm) long. The eye is one French knot on the fish, about ¾ in (2 cm) from the nose and just above the line of its beginning chain: come up on the right side, wrap the strand twice round the needle close to the fish, go down again one stitch leg beside the place where you came up, and draw the yarn through the wraps while you hold them. The gill is one straight upright stitch, about ¾ in (2 cm) long, its middle on the line of the beginning chain, about 1¼ in (3 cm) from the nose; work a second one on top of it. Fasten the strand on the inside of the hat.

4. Fly band: weave in its beginning tail on its wrong side. The band is rounds 16 to 19. Lay the fly band round the hat, right side up, its beginning chain toward the brim, over the middle of the band, on rounds 17 and 18, its two ends meeting at the marked middle of the back; pin it, flat and not stretched. With its long tail sew its two ends together and to the band behind them. Cut two strands of yarn B, each 50 in (127 cm) long. With them, one after the other, each fastened on the inside where it begins and where it ends, sew the fly band down in the 18 places that lie straight above the gaps between these stitches of round 19: stitches 4 and 5, stitches 8 and 9, and so on, every 4th gap, to stitches 72 and 73. In each place work two upright straight stitches, one on top of the other, over the fly band, from just below its lower edge to just above its upper edge. On the inside run the strand along the band from one place to the next, not tight. Between the places the fly band is not sewn down: these 19 loops hold flies.

Finishing

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

In all: 4 pieces.

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