Chemo cap with a flower

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 20¾ in (53 cm) round and about 8½ in (22 cm) deep, measured to the tips of the shells
To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill
Easy
Joined rounds, a shell edge, a flower sewn on

Yarn
Light (3), 4 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
15 stitches and 8 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: rose, the cap	**about 130 yd (119 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: blush, the petals and the edging	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: ivory, the center	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: eucalyptus, the leaves	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7). 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. 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)	19¼ in (49 cm) round, 8 in (20 cm) deep	about 135 yd (125 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**20¾ in (53 cm) round, 8½ in (22 cm) deep**	**about 155 yd (143 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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
st	stitch
sk	skip
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

Gauge

15 stitches and 8 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in 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 pattern also stops you to measure after round 6.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 10, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 20¾ 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 smaller round than the head it is for, so that it stays on; by how much differs from size to size, because the stitches come in whole repeats. The list below gives both measures of each size.
- 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.
- 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. In the edging round that begins with a chain and then a slip stitch, that first slip stitch goes into the joined stitch itself.
- 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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- 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.
- Choose a soft yarn that can be washed and has no loose fibers; try it against the inside of the wrist.
- Woman: for a head of 22 in (56 cm). The finished hat is about 20¾ in (53 cm) round and about 8½ in (22 cm) deep, measured to the tips of the shells.

Instructions

Chosen: Woman, head 22 in (56 cm). Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. 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.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, rose; B, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3, 12 dc in MR, sl st in first dc to join	**(12 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 3, 2 dc in each st around, sl st in first dc to join	**(24 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 3, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(36 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(48 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 3, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(60 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 4 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(72 dc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 6. After round 6 the crown, laid flat, should measure about 6 in (15 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(78 dc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnds 8 to 10**	Ch 3, dc in each st around, sl st in first dc to join	**(78 dc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 10: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

8 9 **10**

Stop and measure now, after round 10. After round 10, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 20¾ in (53 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 11 to 16**	Ch 3, dc in each st around, sl st in first dc to join	**(78 dc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 16: tick them off as you go.

11 12 13 14 15 16

Edging

☐ **Rnd 17**	With B, ch 1, **[**sl st in next st, sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts**] 13 times**, sl st in first sl st to join	**(65 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Flower

Yarns in order of use: C, ivory; B, blush.

Rounds 1 and 2 are joined, and the chain at the start of each does not count as a stitch. Finish the joining slip stitch of round 2 with yarn B and cut yarn C, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). Round 3 has no chain at its start: pull the loop on the hook up a little. Its first petal goes in the stitch after the joined one, and its last slip stitch falls in the joined stitch itself.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 8 sc in MR, sl st in first sc to join	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	With B, **[**(hdc, 3 dc, hdc) in next st, sl st in next st**] 8 times**	**(16 hdc, 24 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Leaf: make 2

Yarn D, eucalyptus.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, 3 sc in last ch	**(4 sc, 2 hdc, 2 dc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Do not turn; working along the other side of the foundation ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch	**(2 hdc, 2 dc, 1 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 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. The flower goes on the front, a little to one side: the line where the rounds are joined is the middle of the back, and the middle of the front is opposite it. Put the middle of the flower about 2 in (5 cm) to one side of the middle of the front, whichever side you like, and about 2¾ in (7 cm) above the shell edging. Weave the beginning tail of each leaf in on its back. Pin the flower in its place, tuck the end of each leaf where its sewing tail hangs under it, one leaf on each side of the flower and slanting down, and sew the leaves to the hat. Then sew the flower down through its middle and round the base of its petals.

Finishing

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

In all: 4 pieces; 1,187 stitches (1,097 in the hat, 64 in the flower, 13 in each leaf); 14 ends to weave in.

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