Juliet cap in lace

Adult, head 22½ in (57 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 18¾ in (48 cm) round and about 4 in (10 cm) deep, measured along the cloth from the center of the top, the picots not counted
To fit a head of 22½ in (57 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
A net of chain loops and bobbles in joined rounds

Yarn
Fine (2), 2 colors

Hook
3.75 mm (US F-5)

Gauge
18 stitches and 10 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: ivory, the cap **about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: old gold, the picot edge **about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 20 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 350 yd (320 m).

Hook: 3.75 mm (US F-5), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a yarn needle, scissors, 2 small hair combs or 4 hairpins to hold the cap and an upside-down bowl about 7 in (18 cm) across, to dry the cap on.

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)	17¾ in (45 cm) round, 3½ in (9 cm) deep	about 65 yd (59 m)
Adult (this file)	**22½ in (57 cm)**	**18¾ in (48 cm) round, 4 in (10 cm) deep**	**about 75 yd (69 m)**

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Gauge

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

The gauge is measured on the cap itself, at the two places the rounds name: across the crown, which checks the height of the rounds, and round the outside of the cap with a soft tape, along the round just worked, which checks the stitches and so the size round. If the cap 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 cap 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 20 rounds of single crochet or 10 rounds of double crochet.

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 cap along that round, without pulling it in: the cap should measure about 18¾ in (48 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 5.

Notes

- This cap does not go round the head: it covers the crown and the back of it, like a skull cap, and its edge is smaller round than the head. Put a soft tape round the widest part of the head, across the middle of the forehead and just above the ears, and choose the size whose head measurement is nearest. The list below gives the head and the cap of each size.
- The cap 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 cap 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).
- 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.
- A round of net is counted as high as a round of double crochet (UK treble), 10 rounds to 4 in (10 cm).
- From round 3 to the last round of the net, a round begins in a chain space: when the round before is joined, the hook stands at the top of its first bobble. The slip stitch at the start of the round goes into the chain space just after that bobble, under the chain; the chain 3 is made from there and is not counted, and the first bobble of the round goes into that same space.
- A net bobble or a single crochet (UK double crochet) that is worked in a chain space goes under the chain, round all of it, not into one of its links. Slide each net bobble to the middle of its chain before you go on; where two bobbles share one chain, slide them apart.
- In the first round of the band the single crochet "in next st" goes into the top of the bobble.

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **sp** space, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
ch-2 sp: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 12 times: work what is inside 12 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(12 dc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

pcs (picot single crochet): Single crochet in the place named, chain 3, then slip stitch in that same single crochet: insert the hook under the front one of its two top loops and, with the same movement, under the strand at the left side of its post, yarn over and pull through all loops on the hook. The 3 chains stand out from the edge as a small knob.

nb (net bobble): Work 4 unfinished double crochet (UK treble) in the one place named: [yarn over, insert the hook in that place, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 4 times, always in the same place (5 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 5 loops. Push the bobble out to the right side, the side that faces you. A net bobble is counted as 1 stitch; its top is the last loop you made.

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

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3, 12 dc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first dc to join	(12 dc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 3, **[**nb in next st, ch 2**] 12 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(12 nb, 12 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, nb in same sp, ch 3, **[**nb in next ch-2 sp, ch 3**] 11 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(12 nb, 12 ch-3 sps)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, nb in same sp, ch 4, **[**nb in next ch-3 sp, ch 4**] 11 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(12 nb, 12 ch-4 sps)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sl st in next ch-4 sp, ch 3, nb in same sp, ch 5, **[**nb in next ch-4 sp, ch 5**] 11 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(12 nb, 12 ch-5 sps)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 5.** The crown, laid flat, should measure about 4 in (10 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 6**	Sl st in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, (nb, ch 3, nb) in same sp, ch 3, **[**(nb, ch 3, nb) in next ch-5 sp, ch 3**] 11 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(24 nb, 24 ch-3 sps)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, nb in same sp, ch 4, **[**nb in next ch-3 sp, ch 4**] 23 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(24 nb, 24 ch-4 sps)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sl st in next ch-4 sp, ch 3, nb in same sp, ch 4, **[**nb in next ch-4 sp, ch 4**] 23 times**, sl st in first nb to join	(24 nb, 24 ch-4 sps)

Band

☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next ch-4 sp, sc in next st, 3 sc in next ch-4 sp**] 12 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(84 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(84 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(84 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	With B, ch 1, **[**sc in next 3 sts, pcs in next st**] 21 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(63 sc, 21 pcs)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Assembly

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

2. Shaping, which is done last of all, when the ends are woven in as the line after this one says: wet the cap, press the water out in a towel and lay it over the upside-down bowl, the right side outward and the center of the top on the middle of the bowl. Pull each chain loop open with a finger, so that the net lies in diamonds, push every bobble outward, and let the cap dry on the bowl. To wear it, set it on the crown and the back of the head and hold its band at both sides with the combs or the pins.

Finishing

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

In all: 12 rounds.

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