Lacy V-stitch ponytail hat

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 20¾ in (53 cm) round and about 8 in (20 cm) deep, measured from the edge of the opening; the opening is about 2 in (5 cm) across

To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill

Easy

V-stitches in joined rounds

Yarn

Light (3)

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

15 stitches and 8 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn: lilac, light (3) **about 125 yd (114 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7). Also: a soft tape measure, a yarn needle and scissors.

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, 6¾ in (17 cm) deep	about 95 yd (87 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	20 in (51 cm) round, 7¼ in (18 cm) deep	about 110 yd (101 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**20¾ in (53 cm) round, 8 in (20 cm) deep**	**about 125 yd (114 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)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip
rnd	round
RS	right side

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 depths below are worked out from the rounds: to 4 in (10 cm) go 16 rounds of single crochet or 8 rounds of double crochet.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 4.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 8, 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 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 United Kingdom term stands beside each stitch in the list of abbreviations.
- The hat begins with a ring of chains that stays open at the crown: leave a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain. Round 1 is worked into the ring, over the chains, not into each chain.
- 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. Where a round skips a stitch before it works any, the first stitch skipped is the one that was joined.
- Where a round begins with slip stitches and then a chain, the slip stitches lead to the chain space: the first of them goes into the stitch or the space just after the stitch that was joined, and the chain is made from there.
- 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.
- Woman: for a head of 22 in (56 cm). The finished hat is about 20¾ in (53 cm) round and about 8 in (20 cm) deep, measured from the edge of the opening; the opening is about 2 in (5 cm) across.

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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 and dc is treble.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 24, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3, 36 dc in ring, sl st in first dc to join	**(36 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(48 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 3, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(60 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	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 4. After round 4 the crown, laid flat, should measure about 6 in (15 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(78 dc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 3, **[**sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 26 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(52 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnds 7 to 8**	Sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3, (dc, ch 1, dc) in same sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 25 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(52 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each round, 7 to 8: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

☐ 7 ☐ **8**

Stop and measure now, after round 8. After round 8, 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 9 to 13**	Sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3, (dc, ch 1, dc) in same sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 25 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(52 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each round, 9 to 13: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13

☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 26 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(78 sc)**

Band

☐ **Rnds 15 to 19**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(78 sc)**

A box for each round, 15 to 19: tick them off as you go.

☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19

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

Finishing

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

In all: 19 rounds; 1,178 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

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