Men's ribbed watch cap

Man, head 23 in (58 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 20½ in (52 cm) round and about 10 in (25 cm) deep with a brim of about 2¼ in (6 cm) turned up (about 12¼ in (31 cm) long before it is turned up)

To fit a head of 23 in (58 cm)

Skill

Beginner

Single crochet in rows, one seam

Yarn

Medium (4)

Hook

5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet in back loops, worked in rows.

You will need

Yarn: heathered navy, medium (4) **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). 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
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	18¼ in (46 cm) round, 9¼ in (23 cm) deep	about 200 yd (183 m)
Woman	22 in (56 cm)	19½ in (50 cm) round, 9½ in (24 cm) deep	about 225 yd (206 m)
Man (this file)	**23 in (58 cm)**	**20½ in (52 cm) round, 10 in (25 cm) deep**	**about 250 yd (229 m)**
Man, large	24 in (61 cm)	21¾ in (55 cm) round, 10¼ in (26 cm) deep	about 275 yd (251 m)

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only
st	stitch
RS	right side

Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet in back loops, worked in rows.

The gauge is measured on the panel itself, laid flat and not stretched, after the tenth row: along a row, which checks the stitches, and then across the rows, in the place that line names, which sets the size round. Below, "round" is measured across the rows in the same way, not stretched.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 10, lay the panel flat without stretching it and measure it along a row: it should be about 12¼ in (31 cm) long.

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. The ribs stretch, so each size is made smaller round than the head it is for, measured flat and not stretched. 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 chain at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. After the turn the first stitch of the row goes into the stitch nearest the hook, which is the last stitch of the row before, and the last goes into the first stitch of the row before, so that every row has the same number of stitches; the chains skipped at the start of row 1 do not count either.
- 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, on the right side and on the wrong side alike.
- 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.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together and sew them over and over, the needle always going in from the same side, through one stitch of each edge at a time.
- Man: for a head of 23 in (58 cm). The finished hat is about 20½ in (52 cm) round and about 10 in (25 cm) deep with a brim of about 2¼ in (6 cm) turned up (about 12¼ in (31 cm) long before it is turned up).

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.

Instructions

Chosen: Man, head 23 in (58 cm). The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 41.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(40 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 10: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 **10**

Stop and measure now, after row 10. After row 10, lay the panel flat without stretching it and measure it along a row: it should be about 12¼ in (31 cm) long. Then measure across the rows: the 10 rows, not stretched, should measure about 2 7/8 in (7.3 cm) from the outer side of row 1 to the outer side of row 10. This sets the size round: if they measure more, begin again with a smaller hook; if less, with a larger one. If the 10 rows measure right and the row is longer or shorter than it should be, keep the hook: the hat only comes out that much deeper or shallower.

☐ **Rows 11 to 72**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(40 sc)**

A box for each row, 11 to 72: tick them off as you go.

11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39
40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68
69 70 71 72

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 40 in (102 cm) for the seam.	

Assembly

1. Seam: fold the panel in half with the right side out, so that the last row lies against the beginning chain. The edge where the long tail hangs is the lower edge. With that tail whip stitch the first 7 stitches from the lower edge, one stitch of the last row to one chain: this part is turned up later, so its seam is sewn from the side that will be hidden. Then turn the panel so that the right side is in and whip stitch the rest in the same way, up to the top. Fasten off and turn the hat right side out.

2. Top: the top is the edge where the tail of the beginning chain hangs and where the seam ended. Cut a strand of yarn 55 in (140 cm) long and thread it in the needle. Run it in and out through the edge all the way round, taking one stitch in the end of every second row. Pull it up tight so that the top closes, run it round once more through the same places, pull again, and fasten it firmly on the inside.

3. Brim: turn the lower edge up to the outside by about 2¼ in (6 cm).

Finishing

- Weave in every end on the inside of the hat, except an end that lies in the part that is turned up: weave that one in on the right side, which the turned-up brim hides.

In all: 72 rows; 2,880 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

Found a mistake in this pattern? Tell us at flossfield.com, under Make a request.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.