Mesh beach hat

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 22½ in (57 cm) round and about 7¼ in (18 cm) deep, with a brim about 4 in (10 cm) wide to the tips of its scallops; the edge of the brim, under the scallops, is about 41½ in (105 cm) round

To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill

Easy

Double crochet in joined rounds, a mesh, shells

Yarn

Light (3), 2 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: turquoise, the hat **about 200 yd (183 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: white, the lines and the scallops **about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. 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. 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
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm) round, 6¾ in (17 cm) deep	about 190 yd (174 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	21¼ in (54 cm) round, 7¼ in (18 cm) deep	about 230 yd (210 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**22½ in (57 cm) round, 7¼ in (18 cm) deep**	**about 240 yd (219 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
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

Special stitches

mesh (mesh stitch): Double crochet (UK treble) in the first of the two places named, chain 1, and leave the second of them unworked. One mesh takes 2 places and leaves 2: the top of its double crochet and its chain. In the next round the double crochet of a mesh goes into the top of the double crochet below and the chain below is the place that is left, so that the holes stand one above the other; a round of single crochet takes both places, with 1 stitch in the top of the double crochet and 1 in the hole under the chain. At the start of a round the first double crochet goes into the place where the round was joined. A slip stitch that joins in the first mesh goes into the top of its double crochet. It leaves 2 places for the next round.

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

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 9, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 22½ in (57 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 7.

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. This hat is not meant to grip: each size is made as large round as the head it is for, or a little larger, by no more than about ½ in (1.5 cm), as nearly as whole stitches allow (in the rounded centimeters that can show as 1 cm).
- The pattern is written in United States terms, the directions of the special stitches too; 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.

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- 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).
- 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.
- Yarn B is not carried up, so that no strand of it is seen behind the holes: cut it at the end of each of its rounds, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and join it anew for the next. Yarn A may be carried up behind the one round of yarn B.
- A round of mesh is as high as a round of double crochet, and is counted so in the depth.
- The brim is increased in every round, so that it stands out wide and slopes a little. If its edge ripples, go on with a hook one size smaller.

Instructions

Chosen: Woman, head 22 in (56 cm). Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. 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.

Yarns in order of use: A, turquoise; B, white.

☐ **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)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 3, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 5 sts**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(84 dc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 7. The crown, laid flat, should measure about 7 in (18 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 8**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 9. Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 22½ in (57 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 10 to 11**	Ch 3, **[**mesh over next 2 sts**] 42 times**, sl st in first mesh to join	**(42 meshs)**

A box for each round, 10 to 11: tick them off as you go.

10 11

☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 13**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 15 to 16**	Ch 3, **[**mesh over next 2 sts**] 42 times**, sl st in first mesh to join	**(42 meshs)**

A box for each round, 15 to 16: tick them off as you go.

15 16

☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(84 sc)**

Brim

☐ **Rnd 19**	With A, ch 3, **[**dc in next 8 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 7 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(94 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 9 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 8 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(104 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 10 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 9 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(114 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 10 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(124 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 12 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(134 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 13 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 12 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(144 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	Ch 3, **[**dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	**(156 dc)**

Edging

☐ **Rnd 26**	With B, ch 1, **[**sl st in next st, sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts**] 26 times**, sl st in first sl st to join	**(130 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Finishing

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

In all: 26 rounds.

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