Newborn top knot hat

Newborn, head 13½ in (34 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 12½ in (32 cm) round and about 5 in (13 cm) deep, measured along the cloth, when the edge is folded up into its roll, from the foot of the point to the lower edge of the finished hat, the fold at the bottom of the roll; the point is about 8½ in (22 cm) long before it is knotted

To fit a head of 13½ in (34 cm)

Skill

Easy

Single crochet in a spiral, a knot to tie

Yarn

Light (3), 2 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

15 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: blush, the hat **about 85 yd (78 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: white, the pin stripes **about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a stitch marker, 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
Preemie	12 in (30 cm)	11 in (28 cm) round, 4¼ in (11 cm) deep	about 85 yd (78 m)
Newborn (this file)	**13½ in (34 cm)**	**12½ in (32 cm) round, 5 in (13 cm) deep**	**about 100 yd (91 m)**
Baby, 3 to 6 months	15 in (38 cm)	13¾ in (35 cm) round, 5¾ in (15 cm) deep	about 120 yd (110 m)
Baby, 6 to 12 months	16½ in (42 cm)	15½ in (39 cm) round, 6½ in (17 cm) deep	about 140 yd (128 m)

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Abbreviations

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

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

Gauge

15 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The gauge is measured on the hat itself, at the two places the rounds name: along the point, from its tip to the edge of a round, 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 point is longer than its round says, your rounds are taller than the gauge and the hat will come out deeper than stated; if the point is shorter, it will come out shallower.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 45, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 12½ in (32 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 34.

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 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.
- The rounds of the hat are worked in a spiral: do not join; put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.
- To change yarn at the start of a round, finish the last 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.
- The hat begins at the tip of the narrow tube that is tied in a knot at the end. The tube is called the point; it is not stuffed.
- A stripe is one round of the spiral, so it begins and ends with a step one round high. That is as it should be; the step is at the middle of the back.

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Instructions

Chosen: Newborn, head 13½ in (34 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 sc is double crochet.

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

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Point

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	5 sc in MR	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 3 to 34**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 3 to 34: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 **34**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 34.** The point, laid flat, should measure about 8½ in (22 cm) from its tip straight to the edge of that round.

Crown

☐ **Rnd 35**	**[**Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	**(15 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 36**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 5 times**	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 37**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	**(25 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 38**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 5 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 39**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	**(35 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 40**	With B, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 5 times**	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 41**	With A, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	**(45 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 42**	Sc in next 22 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 21 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(47 sc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnd 43**	Sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 44**	With B, sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 45**	With A, sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 45.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 12½ in (32 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 46 to 47**	Sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**

A box for each round, 46 to 47: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **Rnd 48**	With B, sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 49**	With A, sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 50 to 51**	Sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**

A box for each round, 50 to 51: tick them off as you go.

50 51

☐ **Rnd 52**	With B, sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 53**	With A, sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 54**	Sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**

Edge

☐ **Rnds 55 to 58**	Sc in each st around	**(47 sc)**

A box for each round, 55 to 58: tick them off as you go.

55 56 57 58

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 36 in (91 cm) for the roll.

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. Roll: fold the last 2 rounds (rounds 57 and 58) up to the outside, all round. Then fold the edge up to the outside once more by the same amount, along the line between rounds 54 and 55. Rounds 55 to 58 are now a soft roll of two layers that lies up over rounds 53 and 54 of the hat: rounds 55 and 56 are its outside, with the wrong side of their stitches showing, and rounds 57 and 58 are hidden behind them. With the cloth of the hat itself the edge is three layers thick, and it needs no other fold. The fold at the bottom of the roll, between rounds 54 and 55, is the lower edge of the finished hat; the fold at its top is between rounds 56 and 57. Bring the long tail out at the top of the roll and with it sew the top of the roll to round 53 on the outside of the hat, one small stitch at about every third stitch of the round, loosely enough that the edge still stretches. Hide the rest of the tail in the roll.

3. Knot: with the hat standing on its lower edge, bend the point into a ring just above the crown, pass its tip once through the ring and draw it slowly, until a soft, round knot sits on the crown and about 1½ in (4 cm) of the tip stands out of it. Smooth the point as you draw so that it is not twisted. Cut a strand of yarn A 12 in (30 cm) long, and with it sew from side to side through the knot and through round 35, the first round of the crown, 4 times, so that the knot cannot come undone; hide its ends in the knot.

Finishing

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

In all: 58 rounds; 1,344 stitches.

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