Smiley face beanie

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 20¾ in (53 cm) round and about 9¼ in (23 cm) deep
To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill
Easy
Joined rounds, a post stitch rib, small pieces sewn on

Yarn
Light (3), 3 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
15 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: sunshine yellow, the hat	**about 165 yd (151 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: black, the eyes, the smiles, the wink and the brim	**about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: bright coral, the cheeks	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 90 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

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, scissors and pins.

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
Baby	15 in (38 cm)	13¾ in (35 cm) round, 6½ in (17 cm) deep	about 120 yd (110 m)
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	17 in (43 cm) round, 8¼ in (21 cm) deep	about 180 yd (165 m)
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	18¾ in (48 cm) round, 8¼ in (21 cm) deep	about 190 yd (174 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	20¼ in (51 cm) round, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep	about 220 yd (201 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**20¾ in (53 cm) round, 9¼ in (23 cm) deep**	**about 230 yd (210 m)**

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Man	23 in (58 cm)	21¾ in (55 cm) round, 9¾ in (25 cm) deep	about 255 yd (233 m)

Gauge

15 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in half 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 12 rounds of half double crochet or 8 rounds of double crochet or 8 rounds of post stitches. Post stitches often come out a little shorter than that, and then the hat is a little shallower than stated.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 13, 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.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 9.

Notes

- On a baby: sew every part on firmly all round, and take the beanie off for sleep.
- 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 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 chain that begins a round is not a stitch. The first stitch goes in the same place as the slip stitch.
- A post stitch goes around the post of the stitch straight below it in the round before, whatever kind of stitch that is; the line says whether it is a front post or a back post 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 eyes and the cheeks are begun with a magic ring like the hat and worked in a spiral: no chain at the start of a round and no slip stitch at its end; put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round. The right side faces you.
- 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 eyes, the smiles, the wink and the cheeks are single crochet, counted at 15 stitches and 16 rounds or rows to 4 in (10 cm).

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 hdc in next st: both in one stitch. **hdc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 8 times: work what is inside 8 times in all.
(8 hdc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

FPdc (front post double crochet; UK FPtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from front to back and to the front again around the post of the stitch named, and finish as a double crochet. The post stands out toward you.

BPdc (back post double crochet; UK BPtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from back to front and to the back again around the post of the stitch named, and finish as a double crochet. The post stands away from you.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, sunshine yellow; B, black.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, 8 hdc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first hdc to join	(8 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, 2 hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(16 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(24 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(32 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(40 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(48 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(56 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 6 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(64 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 2, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 7 sts**] 8 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(72 hdc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 9.** The crown, laid flat, should measure about 6 in (15 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 11 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	(78 hdc)

Sides

☐ **Rnds 11 to 13**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(78 hdc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

11 | 12 | **13**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 13.** 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 14 to 23**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(78 hdc)

14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23

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Brim

☐ **Rnd 24**	With B, ch 3, dc in each st around, sl st in first dc to join	(78 dc)
☐ **Rnds 25 to 26**	Ch 3, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 39 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(39 FPdc, 39 BPdc)
	25 26	
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Eye: make 3

Yarn B, black.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 20 in (51 cm) for sewing.	

Smile: make 2

Yarn B, black.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 26, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(25 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 40 in (102 cm) for sewing.	

Wink

Yarn B, black.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 8, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(7 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 15 in (38 cm) for sewing.	

Cheek: make 4

Yarn C, bright coral.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 15 in (38 cm) for sewing.	

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. Round pieces (the eyes and the cheeks): before a piece is sewn on, pull its ring tight once more and weave in its starting tail on its wrong side. Sew it on with its own long tail, its right side outward.

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3. Strips (the smiles and the wink): the side that faced you in row 1 is the right side. Weave in the beginning tail of each on its wrong side; the long tail sews the strip on.

4. The middle of the front is opposite the line where the rounds of the hat are joined; fold the hat in half there to find it. Mark with pins the straight line that runs from there up to the center of the top. Where a place is given by a round and a number of stitches from the middle of the front, count the rounds from the center of the top and the stitches along that round from the marked line; left and right are meant as you look at the front. The smiling face is sewn to the front and the winking face to the back, so that the hat can be turned round. (For a hat with one face make 2 eyes, or 1 eye and the wink, 1 smile and 2 cheeks, and leave the back plain.) The face on the back is placed in the same way: its middle is a straight line from the lower end of the line where the rounds are joined up to the center of the top, and for it left and right are meant as you look at the back.

5. Eyes: shape each eye to an upright oval about 1¼ in (3 cm) wide and 1¾ in (4.5 cm) tall. On the front sew one on each side of the middle, its center on round 12 of the hat, 5 stitches from the middle. On the back sew the third eye to the left of the middle, at the same height and distance.

6. Wink: it takes the place of the eye to the right of the middle on the back. The beginning chain is its lower edge. Pin it like a little arch: halfway along it on round 12, 5 stitches from the middle of the back, and its two ends on round 13, each about ¾ in (2 cm) to the side of that place. Sew it down along both long edges and both ends.

7. Smiles (one for each face): the beginning chain is the upper edge. Pin the strip, halfway along it, on round 21 of the hat at the middle of the face and its two ends on round 16, 10 stitches from the middle on each side. Between them let the strip run in one even curve, so that 5 stitches from the middle it lies on round 20. The strip is as long as that curve: it needs no stretching. Sew it down along both long edges and both ends.

8. Cheeks: sew one at each end of each smile, its center on round 16 of the hat, 13 stitches from the middle of the face, by the stitches of its last round.

Finishing

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

In all: 11 pieces.

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