Sock monkey hat

Child, head 19½ in (50 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 18½ in (47 cm) round and about 8 in (20 cm) deep
To fit a head of 19½ in (50 cm)

Skill
Easy
Joined rounds, back loops in the tip, small pieces sewn on

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: charcoal tweed, the hat and the ears	**about 115 yd (105 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: red, the tip, the pom-pom, the lips and the edge	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, the mouth piece and the inner ears	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: black, the mouth, the nostrils and, for a child under three, the eyes	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 95 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a stitch marker, a yarn needle, scissors, pins, a little toy stuffing for the mouth piece, 2 black buttons with four holes, ¾ in (2 cm) across, black sewing thread and a sewing needle and a piece of card 2 in (5 cm) wide for the pom-pom.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. Yarns A, B and C: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarn D: the estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Baby, 3 to 6 months	15 in (38 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm) round, 6¼ in (16 cm) deep	about 125 yd (114 m)
Baby, 6 to 12 months	16½ in (42 cm)	15½ in (39 cm) round, 6¾ in (17 cm) deep	about 160 yd (146 m)
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm) round, 7¾ in (20 cm) deep	about 180 yd (165 m)
Child (this file)	**19½ in (50 cm)**	**18½ in (47 cm) round, 8 in (20 cm) deep**	**about 190 yd (174 m)**

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Teen	21 in (53 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm) round, 8¼ in (21 cm) deep	about 200 yd (183 m)
Woman	22 in (56 cm)	21 in (53 cm) round, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep	about 220 yd (201 m)
Man	23 in (58 cm)	22¼ in (57 cm) round, 9½ in (24 cm) deep	about 235 yd (215 m)

Gauge

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

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 18½ in (47 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 7.

Notes

- On a baby: leave off the pom-poms for a small baby, sew every part on firmly all round, and take the hat 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.
- 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 mouth piece, the lips, the ear fronts and the ear backs 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.
- Where a piece worked in a spiral changes yarn at the start of a round, make the last yarn over of the last stitch of the round before with the new yarn; then cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- Back stitch, as it is used for the embroidery: thread the needle and fasten the yarn on the wrong side, behind the place where the line begins. First stitch: come up one stitch length along the line from its beginning and go down at the beginning. Every stitch after it: come up one stitch length farther along the line than the end of the stitch just worked, and go down in the hole at that end, so that the stitches touch.

Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
BLO: only the loop away from you. **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 6 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: B, red; A, charcoal tweed.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Tip

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next 2 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 3 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 5 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(42 sc)

Stop and measure now, after round 7. The tip, laid flat, should measure about 4 in (10 cm) across.

Crown

☐ **Rnd 8**	With A, ch 1, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)

Stop and measure now, after round 10. The crown, laid flat, should measure about 5¾ in (15 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnds 11 to 13**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

11 12 **13**

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> **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 18½ in (47 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 14 to 24** 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)

Band

☐ **Rnds 25 to 26** 25 26	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 27**	With B, ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Mouth piece

Yarn C, cream.

☐ **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)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 35 in (89 cm) for sewing.	

Lips

Yarn B, red.

☐ **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.	

Ear front: make 2

Yarns in order of use: C, cream; A, charcoal tweed.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	With A, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) of yarn A.	

Ear back: make 2

Yarn A, charcoal tweed.

☐ **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)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 35 in (89 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. Small pieces: unless the lines below say otherwise of a piece, pull its ring tight once more and weave in its starting tail on its wrong side before it is sewn on, and sew it on with its own long tail, its right side outward. The center of a round piece is its ring.

3. Mouth piece: it is put together before it goes on the hat. Shape its open edge to an oval about 4¼ in (11 cm) wide and 2¾ in (7 cm) tall. Lips: pull them from side to side to an oval about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) wide and 1¼ in (3 cm) tall; they pucker a little, which makes them full. Lay them on the mouth piece, both right sides up, their center ¼ in (0.5 cm) below the center of the mouth piece, and sew them down all round by the stitches of their last round. Mouth: with a strand of yarn D 40 in (102 cm) long, held double in the needle, work in back stitch a curve like a smile across the lips, about 2½ in (6 cm) wide from end to end: its lowest point lies at the center of the lips, and its two ends lie ½ in (1.5 cm) above the level of that center, in the cream just outside the lips. Make each back stitch about ¼ in (0.5 cm) long. Nostrils: work two straight stitches of yarn D, held double, each about ¼ in (0.5 cm) long, upright, in the cream, 1 in (2.5 cm) above the center of the mouth piece and ½ in (1.5 cm) apart.

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. Sew the mouth piece to the front, the nostrils uppermost, its center on round 21 of the hat at the middle of the front, all round by the stitches of its last round; before the last third is closed, fill it lightly with stuffing, so that it stands out about ¾ in (2 cm).

5. Eyes: with the sewing thread sew a button to the front on each side of the middle, its center on round 14 of the hat, 4 stitches from the middle of the front, through all four holes and the stitch behind it several times, and fasten the thread off on the inside. For a child under three use no buttons: with a strand of yarn D 24 in (61 cm) long for each eye, held double in the needle, work 5 upright straight stitches side by side, close together, in the same place, the middle one ½ in (1.5 cm) long and those beside it a little shorter each time, so that they make a round spot.

6. Ears: weave in the ends of the fronts and the starting tails of the backs. Lay an ear front on an ear back, the wrong sides together, so that the stitches of their last rounds lie one on the other, and sew the two together with whip stitch through the top loops of both, all round (24 stitches), with the long tail of the back; keep what is left of it for sewing the

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ear on. The face with the cream middle is the front of the ear.

7. Lay the hat flat with the line where its rounds are joined at the middle of the back, the center of the top at the middle of the upper fold: the fold on each side is then the side of the hat. An ear stands out at each side, set low, its front toward the front of the hat. Lay 6 stitches of its edge along the fold, the middle of them on round 15 of the hat, counted from the center of the top, and sew them to the hat along the front of the ear and then again along its back.

8. Pom-pom: wrap yarn B 110 times round a piece of card 2 in (5 cm) wide. Slide the wraps off, tie them very tightly round the middle with the middle of a strand 16 in (41 cm) long and leave both ends of this tie hanging long: they sew the pom-pom on, so hold them out of the way of the scissors. Cut the loops at both ends of the bundle, shake the pom-pom out and trim the cut strands, not the two ends of the tie, to a ball about 1¾ in (4 cm) across. Sew it firmly to the center of the red tip with the two ends of the tie, through the hat and back, and fasten them on the inside.

Finishing

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

In all: 7 pieces; 1,848 stitches (1,410 in the hat, 162 in the mouth piece, 36 in the lips, 60 in each ear front, 60 in each ear back).

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