Spike stitch beanie

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 21 in (53 cm) round and about 8½ in (22 cm) deep
To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Spike stitches and color changes

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

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

You will need

Yarn A: indigo, the dark stripes and the band	**about 110 yd (101 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: gold, the gold stripes	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). 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. 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)	18½ in (47 cm) round, 7½ in (19 cm) deep	about 115 yd (105 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm) round, 8 in (20 cm) deep	about 130 yd (119 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**21 in (53 cm) round, 8½ in (22 cm) deep**	**about 150 yd (138 m)**
Man	23 in (58 cm)	22¼ in (57 cm) round, 9¼ in (23 cm) deep	about 165 yd (151 m)
Man, large	24 in (61 cm)	23½ in (60 cm) round, 9¼ in (23 cm) deep	about 175 yd (160 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)
BLO	back loop only
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

Special stitches

ssc (spike single crochet): A single crochet worked one round lower than usual, over the round below it. Straight below the next stitch, insert the hook from front to back under both top loops of the stitch of the round before last (so a spike in the third round of the sides goes into a stitch of their first round), pull up a loop as long as the two rounds are high, so that the hat does not pucker, yarn over and pull through both loops. The long loop lies on the front. The next stitch itself is left unworked behind the spike and is used up. It leaves 1 spike single crochet for the next row.

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.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 11.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 15, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 21 in (53 cm) round.

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 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.
- 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).
- 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.

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- 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.
- Woman: for a head of 22 in (56 cm). The finished hat is about 21 in (53 cm) round and about 8½ in (22 cm) deep.

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 sc is double crochet.

Yarns in order of use: A, indigo; B, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, 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**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 6 times**	**(66 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 11. After round 11 the crown, laid flat, should measure about 6¼ in (16 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**Sc in next 32 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(68 sc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnds 13 to 14**	Sc in each st around	**(68 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

☐ 13 ☐ 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	With B, **[**sc in next 3 sts, ssc in next st**] 17 times**	**(51 sc, 17 ssc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 15. After round 15, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 21 in (53 cm) round.

☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in each st around	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	With A, **[**sc in next st, ssc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 17 times**	**(51 sc, 17 ssc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	Sc in each st around	**(68 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 19 to 26** Repeat rnds 15 to 18 in order, over and over. The last rnd, rnd 26, is worked as rnd 18.

A box for each round, 19 to 26: tick them off as you go.

19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Band

☐ **Rnds 27 to 30** **Yarn A.** Sc in BLO of each st around **(68 sc)**

A box for each round, 27 to 30: tick them off as you go.

27 28 29 30

☐ **End** Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. 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: 30 rounds; 4 ends to weave in.

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