Stars and stripes beanie

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 21¼ in (54 cm) round and about 9 in (23 cm) deep
To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill
Easy
Joined rounds, stripes, a rib, small stars sewn on

Yarn
Light (3), 3 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
15 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: flag blue, the crown	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, the stars and the white stripes	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: bright red, the red stripes and the brim	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 80 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 yarn needle, scissors, pins and 8 stitch markers (for the places of the stars).

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, 3 to 6 months	15 in (38 cm)	14½ in (37 cm) round, 5¾ in (15 cm) deep	about 105 yd (96 m)
Baby, 6 to 12 months	16½ in (42 cm)	16 in (41 cm) round, 6½ in (17 cm) deep	about 120 yd (110 m)
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	17 in (43 cm) round, 7¼ in (18 cm) deep	about 145 yd (133 m)
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	18¼ in (46 cm) round, 7½ in (19 cm) deep	about 155 yd (142 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	20¼ in (51 cm) round, 8¼ in (21 cm) deep	about 180 yd (165 m)

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Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**21¼ in (54 cm) round, 9 in (23 cm) deep**	**about 205 yd (187 m)**
Man	23 in (58 cm)	22½ in (57 cm) round, 9¼ in (23 cm) deep	about 220 yd (201 m)
Man, large	24 in (61 cm)	23½ in (60 cm) round, 9½ in (24 cm) deep	about 225 yd (206 m)

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: 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 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 16, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 21¼ in (54 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 13.

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 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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- The stripes are two rounds each. The first stripe under the blue crown is white, and so is the last one; the red brim is the stripe below it.
- The stars are worked one by one and sewn on when the hat is done. Sew every point down to its tip, the more so on a hat for a baby.

Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.

RS right side, the one that shows.

2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 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**.

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.

pt (star point): Chain 4, then work back along the chain: slip stitch in the 2nd chain from the hook, single crochet in the next chain, half double crochet (UK half treble) in the next chain. Skip the next stitch of the round and slip stitch in the stitch after it. One point takes 2 stitches of the round.

Hat

Yarns in order of use: A, flag blue; B, white; C, bright red.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Crown

☐ **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 next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	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)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(72 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(78 sc)

Stop and measure now, after round 13. The crown, laid flat, should measure about 6½ in (17 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 38 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)

Sides

☐ **Rnds 15 to 16**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

15 **16**

Stop and measure now, after round 16. Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 21¼ in (54 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 17 to 18**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)

17 18

☐ **Rnd 19**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	With C, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnds 23 to 28**	Repeat rnds 19 to 22 in order, over and over. The last rnd, rnd 28, is worked as rnd 20. (80 sc)	

23 24 25 26 27 28

Brim

☐ **Rnd 29**	With C, ch 3, dc in each st around, sl st in first dc to join	(80 dc)
☐ **Rnds 30 to 32**	Ch 3, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 40 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(40 FPdc, 40 BPdc)

30 31 32

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Star: make 8

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(10 sc)

The star begins with a magic ring like the hat; the chain at the start of round 1 does not count as a stitch. Round 2 has no chain of its own at its start: the first point begins from the loop on the hook, the stitch it skips is the one after the joined stitch, and the slip stitch of the last point falls in the joined stitch itself.

☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**Pt over next 2 sts**] 5 times**	(5 pt)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 25 in (64 cm) for sewing.	

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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. Pull the ring of each star closed once more and weave its tail in on the back.

3. Lay the hat flat with the center of the top at the middle of the upper fold and the lower end of the line where the rounds are joined at the middle of the layer underneath. On the layer that faces you the middle of the front is the straight line from the center of the top down to the lower edge, halfway between the two side folds. Mark it with pins. The stitches of the hat slant a little across this line; go by the line. The 8 stars stand in one ring round the blue crown, the middle of each on round 14 (round 1 is the round in the magic ring). Put a marker in the stitch of round 14 that lies on the middle line of the front, and in every 10th stitch of round 14 after it, all the way round: 8 markers. A star is about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) from point to point. Pin a star over each marker, its right side up, its ring over the marked stitch and one point straight up toward the center of the top; take the marker out. Two points then look down and end about ¼ in (0.5 cm) above the first white stripe. Sew each star down all round with its long tail, its points spread and flat: come up through the hat close beside the edge of the star and go down through the edge of the star and the hat, with one stitch through the tip of each point. Fasten off on the inside.

Finishing

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

In all: 9 pieces.

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