# Summer straw look cowboy hat

Man, head 23 in (58 cm) · US terms



Finished size

**About 23 in (58 cm) round and about 8¾ in (22 cm) deep, measured along the cloth from the center of the top to where the brim begins, with a brim about 3¼ in (8 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 42¼ in (107 cm) round**

To fit a head of 23 in (58 cm)

Skill

**Intermediate**

Joined rounds, mesh rounds, an edge worked over a cord

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 (UK double crochet).

## What you need

Yarn A: sand, the hat **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: chestnut brown, the band and the tab **about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 120 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, 49 in (124 cm) of cotton cord about 1/8 in (3 mm) thick, a button about ¾ in (2 cm) across, sewing thread, a sewing needle, spray starch, paper to cover a table and two small towels.

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 |
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| **Teen** | 21 in (53 cm) | 20¾ in (53 cm) round, 8½ in (22 cm) deep | about 260 yd (238 m) |
| **Woman** | 22 in (56 cm) | 21¾ in (55 cm) round, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep | about 285 yd (261 m) |
| **Man (this file)** | **23 in (58 cm)** | **23 in (58 cm) round, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep** | **about 290 yd (265 m)** |
| **Man, large** | 24 in (61 cm) | 24 in (61 cm) round, 9 in (23 cm) deep | about 315 yd (288 m) |


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## 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.

**Check your gauge on the piece.** Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 31, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 23 in (58 cm) round.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 11.

## Notes

- 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. If yours lies halfway between two sizes, take the larger. This hat is not meant to grip: each size comes out about as large round as the head it is for, within about ½ in (1.5 cm) of it, larger or smaller. The table of sizes gives both measures of each.
- 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).
- Front loop only: of the two loops at the top of a stitch work under the one that lies nearer to 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.
- The tab is worked in rows: the chain at the start of a row does not count as a stitch, and the first stitch after the turn goes into the last stitch of the row before.
- Mesh rounds: a round of double crochet with a chain after each, worked over 2 stitches, is followed by a round of single crochet with 1 stitch in each double crochet and 1 in each chain space, under the chain. At the start of a mesh round the first double crochet goes into the place where the round before was joined. The slip stitch that joins a mesh round goes into the top of its first double crochet.
- The first round of the brim goes into the front loops of the round before it, so that the brim begins with a sharp bend; the back loops stay on the inside.


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# Instructions

Man, head 23 in (58 cm). US terms.

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

**FLO**: only the loop nearest you. **sk** skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.

**2 sc in next st**: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.

**[ ] 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

**sc2tog (single crochet 2 together; UK dc2tog):** Pull up a loop in each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops: 1 stitch decreased.

## Hat

**Yarns in order of use: A, sand; B, chestnut brown.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Make a magic ring. | |

### Crown

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| ☐ **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) |

> **Stop and measure now, after round 11.** The crown, laid flat, should measure about 5½ in (14 cm) across.

### Sides

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| ☐ **Rnds 12 to 13**<br>12 13 | Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join | (66 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 14** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (76 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 15** | Ch 3, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 38 times**, sl st in first dc to join | (38 dc, 38 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 16** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (76 sc) |


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| ☐ **Rnd 17** | Ch 3, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 38 times**, sl st in first dc to join | (38 dc, 38 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 18** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (76 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 19** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 20** | Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 21** | Ch 3, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 43 times**, sl st in first dc to join | (43 dc, 43 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 22** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 43 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 23** | Ch 3, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 43 times**, sl st in first dc to join | (43 dc, 43 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 24** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 43 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 25 to 26** | Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |

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## Band

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| ☐ **Rnd 27** | With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 28 to 31** | Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join | (86 sc) |

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

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> **Stop and measure now, after round 31.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 23 in (58 cm) round.

## Brim

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| ☐ **Rnd 32** | With A, ch 1, **[**sc in FLO of next 14 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in FLO of next 13 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (92 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 33** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (98 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 34** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (104 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 35** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (110 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 36** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (116 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 37** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (122 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 38** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (128 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 39** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts**] 4 times**,<br>sl st in first sc to join | (134 sc) |


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| ☐ **Rnd 40** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 22 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 21 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (140 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 41** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 4 times**,<br>sl st in first sc to join | (146 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 42** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 24 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 23 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join | (152 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 43** | Ch 1, **[**sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 13 sts**] 2 times**,<br>**[**sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts**] 4 times**,<br>sl st in first sc to join | (158 sc) |

Round 44 is worked over the cord, which makes the edge firm. Cut the cord 49 in (124 cm) long. Lay it along the tops of round 43, its first end hanging 2 in (5 cm) past the first stitch toward the stitches before it, and work every single crochet into its stitch and over the cord, until 4 stitches of the round are left. Spread the stitches along the cord so that the edge of the brim lies flat, neither tight nor wavy: the 154 stitches should cover about 41 in (104 cm) of it. Cut both ends of the cord so that they just meet. Sew the two ends together with two or three stitches of sewing thread, and work the last 4 stitches over the place where they meet.

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| ☐ **Rnd 44** | Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join | (158 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). | |

## Tab

**Yarn B, chestnut brown.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Ch 6, 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 | (5 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 10** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across<br>2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 | (5 sc) |
| ☐ **Row 11** | Ch 1, turn; sc2tog over next 2 sts, sc in next st, sc2tog over next 2 sts | (3 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a tail of 20 in (51 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.** Number the 86 stitches of round 31, the last round before the brim, in the order in which they were worked, with stitch 1 the first of the round. The middle of the back lies between stitch 86 and stitch 1, and the middle of the front between stitch 43 and stitch 44; the middle of one side lies at stitch 22, and the middle of the other side at stitch 65. Put a marker or a pin in each of these four places.

**3.** The crease runs along the top of the hat from front to back. Count the rounds from the center of the top, and put a pin in round 14 straight above the marked middle of the front and a pin in round 13 straight above the marked middle of the back. Turn the hat inside out, and pinch the top into a fold that runs from one pin over the center of the top to the other and stands up on the inside, about ¾ in (2 cm) high at the center and lower and lower toward the two pins. Cut a strand of yarn A 30 in (76 cm) long and thread it. From pin to pin run stitches about ¼ in (0.5 cm) long through both layers of the fold, at its foot; fasten the strand at both ends. Turn the hat right side out again and press the crease down with the side of your hand; the top stands up on both sides of it. Take out these two pins.

**4.** Tab: weave its beginning tail in on its wrong side. The band is rounds 27 to 31. Lay the tab on the band, its right


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side up and its two long edges along the band, so that it looks like the end of a belt: its last row, the narrow one, points away from the middle of the front, and its beginning edge lies 7 stitches of round 31 to the right of the marked middle of the front, as you look at the front. With its long tail sew it down with small stitches over its edge all round. Sew the button with sewing thread to the middle of the tab, through the tab and the band.

**5.** Weave in every end on the inside of the hat. Then shape the brim. Cover the table with the paper. Spray the brim with starch, as the label of the starch says, and stand the hat on the paper, right way up. Roll each towel into a roll about 2 in (5 cm) thick and about 10 in (25 cm) long. Lay one roll under the brim on each side of the hat, running from front to back, its middle at the marked middle of that side and as near to the edge of the brim as it goes, so that the edge rests on the roll. At the middle of each side the edge of the brim then stands about 2 in (5 cm) above the table; from there bend the brim with your hands so that it comes down in a smooth curve to the middle of the front and to the middle of the back, where its edge rests on the table. Let it dry.

## Finishing

- When the hat is dry, take away the paper, the towels and the markers or pins.

In all: 2 pieces; 3,575 stitches (3,522 in the hat, 53 in the tab).

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