

Crown Hat

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This hat sort of looks like a crown and would look great in any color for either boys or girls. It can be made in an evening so it is a quick gift idea. If you need to make the hat bigger or smaller just change the size of the hook and perhaps even the thickness of the yarn used. This is also the first time I am featuring a stitch that I did not make up. This is a well known stitch but some of you may not have tried it before.

Materials Needed:

1-3.5 oz ball Wintuk 4 100% Monsanto Worsted Weight Acrylic yarn. Dk. Federal blue #0073 Size I or 9 5½mm aluminum crochet hook Yarn Needle Two pieces Cardboard 2½"x5" for making pom-pom.

Yarn Thickness 3mm Gauge: 3dc=1" Finished Size: =Fits child ages 3 to 6 Skill Level: Easy

Stitches used.

Front post Dc. (fpdc) Work a dc by wrapping hook around post of next dc from right to left on front of work.

Back post dc. (bpdc) Work a dc by wrapping hook around post of next dc from right to left on back of work.

Instructions

RND 1: Ch3. Work 12 dc in 3rd ch from hook. Slst to first dc to join.

RND 2: Ch3. Work a Fpdc and a dc in each dc around. This will produce 24 sts around.

RND 3: Ch3, dc in same st as slst. Fpdc on fpdc. *2dc in next dc. Fpdc on fpdc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. **RND 4:** Ch3. Dc bet dc. Dc in next dc. *Fpdc on fpdc. Dc in next dc. Dc bet dc. Dc in next dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 5-17: Ch3. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. *Fpdc on fpdc. Dc in each of the next 3 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

Cuff

RND 18: Ch3. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. *Bpdc on fpdc. Dc in each of the next 3 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 19 & 20: Ch3. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. *Bpdc on bpdc. Dc in each of the next 3 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. Ch1, turn. Yes you will turn and work the other way for the last round.



RND 21: Sc in each st around. Fasten off and weave ends into back of work.

Pom-Pom

Place two pieces of cardboard together and wrap yarn around cardboard pieces going around the narrow sides 200 times. Cut yarn. Cut a piece of yarn about 14" long and pass through the pieces of cardboard and tie in a tight knot on one side. As tight as you can. Slip the cardboard out of wrapped yarn and trim pom pom to desired size and shape. You may need to retie the yarn to make it even tighter. Sew pom-pom to top of hat. Weave ends into inside of hat.

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