

Rosy Baby Cap

Preemie and Newborn Baby Cap and Rose Pattern

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Notes

Delightful! This is a basic infant cap in five sizes (but due to differences in crochet tightness and yarns, do measure your child's head and compare the measurement to your finished cap as it progresses!) and the cap and rose which can be sewn to it require only basic crochet stitches. **Materials: use a size G hook for the Newborn Size, and go for both a smaller hook (size F) as well as a finer yarn (baby or lightweight or sock yarn) for the Preemie Size.** The rose measures approximately 2.5" inches across and the preemie cap is for a head circumference of approximately 11" ; the Newborn size cap, worked with a size G hook and similar light weight yarn, will measure approximately 12-14" in circumference, with the stretchiness of the cap depending upon the yarn you choose.

Generally, it's a good idea to sew down your "tails" or thread ends with a bit of sewing thread; but if you plan to sew your flowers onto another project like a sweater or hat, you can pull the yarn ends through the weave of the project and tie knots with the actual yarn ends of the flowers.

Abbreviations: (with some reminders on the less frequently used stitches)

Ch Chain

Dc Double Crochet

Lsc Long Single Crochet (single crochet with long post anchored in a previous round

Prev Previous

Rnd Round

Sc Single Crochet

Sl St Slip Stitch

Sp Space

St Stitch

Baby Cap



Preemie Size Rosy Baby Cap

Materials: For this tiny and stretchy little cap, use that **fine textured sock yarn** which has a strand of elastic twisted together with the acrylic OR a nice soft baby (lightweight) yarn of your choice. I like Hobby Lobby's "I Love This Yarn" brand in the sport weight (a light weight). It has lots of spring you're your hat will be stretchy. You'll want to use a **size G aluminum crochet hook**. This preemie hat is intended for a 11" head circumference, corresponding to an approximately 4-5 lb. baby.

Instructions:

Ch 1, tighten chain to a knot, ch 2; join to first ch to form small ring.

Rnd 1: ch 2, work (2 sc, ch 2) 4 times in ring, leaving off last ch; join to 2nd ch of rnd: 4 groups of 2 sc sep by ch-2.

Rnd 2: ch 1, lean slightly backward in your work to work 2 sc in the last ch-1 sp of prev rnd--*these 2 sc will be worked completely around the ch-2 which preceded them, hiding the initial ch-2 completely and making a neat beginning for the round*, *(ch 1, 2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp,) , repeat from * 2 times. As you reach your beg point, work ch 1, then 2 sc in same sp as beg 2 sc of this rnd, leave off last ch-1 and join to top of beg ch-2: 8 groups of 2sc sep by ch-1, arranged in a square.

Rnd 3: *In this round you are starting to reshape from a square into a round shape by working only one 2 sc group in each corner sp, and working 2 2sc groups sep by a ch-1 in each sp between corners.* ch 1, work 2 sc in last ch-1 sp of prev rnd, working your sc's completely on top of the ch-2 that preceded them as before, *[ch 1, (2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in center (next) ch-1 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in corner (next) ch-1 sp], repeat from *, ch 1, (2 sc, ch-1, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, omit last ch-1 and join to beg ch-2: 12 2 sc groups sep by 12 ch-1 spaces.

Rnd 4: ch 1, 2 sc in last sp worked, *(ch 1, 2 sc in next sp), repeat from * around, join: 12 2-sc groups sep by 12 ch-1 spaces (with the last ch-1 eliminated).

Rnd 5-16: repeat rnd 4.

Rnd 17: ch 2, (count beg ch-2 as a sc), sc in every sc and every sp around, decreasing 5 stitches from the beg of rnd and 5 stitches before the end of the rnd.

You now have 34 stitches.

Rnd 18: repeat rnd 17: 32 stitches

If desired, you can add a round of sc, with no decreases.

Rnd 19: Optional decorative shell stitch with long single crochet: This works for a round of stitches which are multiples of 4. *[Skip 1 sc, work 5 dc in next sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (*or just sc*) in next sc], repeat around, working 1sc in beg point if you are using 1sc's. Tie off and weave ends through work. Finish with a flower from the end of this booklet, if desired.

Here's a short video illustrating a long single crochet stitch:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/susanlinnstudio/VideoLongSingleCrochet?authkey=Gv1sRgCPqYgJOW29GavQE#5524280800651846450>

Newborn Size Rosy Baby Cap

This is a project which is worked in **light weight yarns or traditional baby yarns**. For summer coolness, you could work these patterns in some of the wonderful light weight cottons under the "I love this Cotton" brand name. For this newborn size, use a **Size K aluminum hook** . The only differences between this pattern and the preemie before it is that it is worked in a typical larger

hook for speed, there's an extra round , and there are ch-2 spaces between the groups of sc instead of ch-1 spaces. This gives even greater stretch for fast-growing little noggins!

Instructions:

Ch 1, tighten chain to a knot, ch 2; join to first ch to form small ring.

Rnd 1: ch 2, work (2 sc, ch 2) 4 times in ring, leaving off last ch; join to 2nd ch of rnd: 4 groups of 2 sc sep by ch-2.

Rnd 2: ch 2, lean slightly backward in your work to work 2 sc in the last ch-2 sp of prev rnd--*these 2 sc will be worked completely around the ch-2 which preceded them, hiding the initial ch-2 completely and making a neat beginning for the round*, *(ch 1, 2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp) , repeat from * 2 times. As you reach your beg point, work ch 1, then 2 sc in same sp as beg 2 sc of this rnd, leave off last ch-1 and join to top of beg ch-2: 8 groups of 2sc sep by ch-1, arranged in a square.

Rnd 3: *In this round your are starting to reshape from a square into a round shape by working only one 2 sc group in each corner sp, and working 2 2sc groups sep by a ch-1 in each sp between corners.* ch 1, work 2 sc in last ch-1 sp of prev rnd, working your sc's completely on top of the ch-2 that preceded them as before, *[ch 1, (2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in center (next) ch-1 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in corner (next) ch-1 sp], repeat from *, ch 1, (2 sc, ch-1, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, omit last ch-1 and join to beg ch-2: 12 2 sc groups sep by 12 ch-1 spaces.

Rnd 4: ch 1, 2 sc in last sp worked, *(ch 2, 2 sc in next sp), repeat from * around, join: 12 2-sc groups sep by 12 ch-2 spaces.

Rnd 5-17: repeat rnd 4.

Rnd 18: ch 2, (count beg ch-2 as a sc), sc in every sc and every sp around, decreasing 5 stitches from the beg of rnd and 5 stitches before the end of the rnd.

Rnd 19: repeat rnd 17.

If desired, you can add a round of sc, with no decreases.

Rnd 20: Optional decorative shell stitch with long single crochet: This works for a round of stitches which are multiples of 4. *[Skip 1 sc, work 5 dc in next sc, skip 1 sc, lsc (*or just sc*) in next sc], repeat around, working lsc in beg point if you are using lsc's. Tie off and weave ends through work. Finish with a flower from the end of this booklet, if desired.

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Rose



Rose Instructions: *This rose is based upon a circular shape, and you will be “working in the round”. You start with a disc of dc, then make the center petal built vertically upon that disc; you then add a row of sc to the original flat disc, then make a second petal round, again built vertically upon that second row of the disc; and continue on, working to build your circle out, then up, then out, then up!*

Materials for Rose: Lightweight or Medium Weight yarns and a size G hook .

First Form the Rose’s Center:

Ch 1, tighten chain to form a tight knot to prevent raveling; Ch 2, join to 2nd ch from hook to form a small ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, dc 9 times in ring, join.

Rnd 2: *(This is the center petal shape vertically, since it will be crocheted in only from rnd 1)* ch 2, working in work *(decr dc in next 3 dc, --in other dc’s together- see photo below right), 5



*which stands up the front loops front loops only, words, work 3 dc in next dc) , repeat once from *, dc, do not join.*



Rnd 3: *(This is a round which “grows” the base disc on which the petals are formed)* ch 1, reach back to work in back loops only of



same dc’s from rnd 1- see photos below: work *(sc in dc, 2 sc

in next dc) repeat from * around, join to the back loop of the first sc: 13 stitches (*if you have one more or one less, just plow ahead, it's not going to matter!*)

Rnd 4: (*This is the second ruffly petal*) ch 2, then working in front loops only of sc's from prev rnd, work *(2 dc in sc, 3 dc in next sc) , repeat from *around, join to second ch of this rnd.

Rnd 5: (*Next round of base disc*) ch 2, reach back to work in back loops only of sc's from rnd 3, work *(sc in sc, 2 sc in next sc) , repeat from * around, join to the back loop of the first sc.

Rnd 6: (*Third ruffly petal*) ch 2, then working in front loops only of sc's from prev rnd, work *(2 dc in sc, 3 dc in next sc) , repeat from * around, join to front loop of first dc.

Repeat rnds 5 and 6, join and tie off. Weave end through work.

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