



Everyday People

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It's not fancy. Or complicated. But it's a darn good hat. The smooth stitch pattern and classic shape is great for guys or gals.

Materials

- About 240 (255, 270) total yards of a lighter dk, or sport weight yarn (CYCA #2 or #3). I used 1 skein of Your Mom Knits Octosport in color "Alligator Pear" (270yds/100g per skein). This beautiful, 100% superwash wool yarn is hand dyed and has a very smooth, soft, and squishy texture. If you are substituting yarn, choose a yarn that gives you a little bit of drape when crocheted with gauge given for this pattern. Alternate suggestion: 2 skeins of Knitpicks Stroll Sport (75% merino wool, 25% nylon; 137yds/50g per skein).
- Size G/6 (4.0mm) crochet hook (or whatever size will give you the correct gauge- see below)
- Size E/4 (3.5mm) crochet hook (This hook should be two sizes smaller than the other hook and is used only for the ribbing).
- Yarn needle
- Removable stitch marker

Size

Adult sizes S (M, L). This hat measures about 21 (22, 23)" in circumference through body of hat, 18 (19, 19.75)" in circumference at ribbing (which will stretch at least 3"), and 9.25 (9.5, 9.75)" tall. Sample was made in size M (22" around body of hat) and is modeled on a head that measures 22" in circumference.

Gauge

16 sts and 15 rounds of esc = 4" (worked in the round). An easier way to check your gauge is: Work through round 7 of hat pattern. Your circle should measure 4.25" in diameter.

Abbreviations and terms used in this pattern

esc = extended single crochet. Insert hook into next st, yo and pull up loop, yo and pull through just one loop, yo and pull through two loops.

FpDc = front post Double crochet. This stitch is just like a regular double crochet stitch except that instead of inserting your hook under the top two loops of the next stitch, you will insert your hook around the post of the next stitch. (See photo.) In other words, you will yarn over, poke the end of your hook (from the front side of your work through to the back) into the space just before the post of the next stitch, you will then poke the end of your hook (from the back of your work to the front) into the space just after the post of the same stitch, yarn over, bring the loop back through (around the back of the post) to the front, yarn over and pull through two loops, yarn over and pull through last two loops. This technique, alternated with esc, is what creates the ribbing edge of hat.



ch(s) = chain(s)

Sc = single crochet. Insert hook into next st, yo and pull up loop, yo and pull through two loops.

sl st = slip stitch. Insert hook into next st, yo and pull through to front of work and through loop on hook.

st(s) = stitch(es)

yo = yarn over

Magic Ring:

This hat begins with an adjustable loop or "magic ring". If you are not familiar with this technique, I highly recommend typing "magic ring crochet" into your preferred search engine, to learn how to do it. However, if you prefer not to use the magic ring method, you can chain 2 stitches, and then work into the second chain from the hook as directed. For example, if the pattern reads: "make a magic ring, esc 8 times into ring..." you could instead: "ch 2, esc 8 times into the second ch from the hook".

Directions

Hat is worked top down, in the round without joining.

Round 1: Using larger hook, make a magic ring, ch 1, esc 8 times into ring. Pull on beginning yarn tail to tighten ring. Do not join. Use a stitch marker to keep track of the first stitch of each round -8 sts.

Round 2: 2 esc into each st -16 sts.



Round 3: [1 esc into the next st, 2 esc into the next st] 8 times -24 sts.

Round 4: [1 esc into the next st, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into the next st] 8 times -32 sts.

Round 5: [1 esc into each of the next 3 sts, 2 esc into the next st] 8 times -40 sts.

Round 6: [1 esc into each of the next 2 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 2 sts] 8 times -48 stitches.

Round 7: [1 esc into each of the next 4 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into the next st] 8 times -56 stitches. Remember to check your gauge!

Round 8: [2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 6 sts] 8 times -64 sts.

Round 9: [1 esc into each of the next 5 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 10 sts] 4 times -68 sts.

Round 10: [1 esc into each of the next 10 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 6 sts] 4 times -72 sts.

Round 11: [1 esc into each of the next 14 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 3 sts] 4 times -76 sts.

Round 12: [2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 18 sts] 4 times -80

sts.

Round 13: [1 esc into each of the next 9 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 10 sts] 4 times -84 sts.

Work the following round for sizes M and L only:

Round 14: [1 esc into each of the next 4 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 16 sts] 4 times -88 sts.

Work the following round for size L only:

Round 15: [1 esc into each of the next 17 sts, 2 esc into the next st, 1 esc into each of the next 4 sts] 4 times -92 sts.

For all sizes:

Rounds 14-28 (15-29, 16-30): 1 esc into each stitch for the next 15 rounds -84 (88, 92) sts.

Change to smaller hook.

Round 29 (30, 31): Using smaller hook, 1 esc into each st -84 (88, 92) sts.

Round 30 (31, 32): [fpDc around the next st, 1 esc into the next st] 42 (44, 46) times.

Please note: pay close attention here. The esc stitches will be made really close to the post stitches. It is easy to put your hook into the wrong stitch when you are first learning how to create this ribbing so be sure to count your stitches at the end of the round.

Rounds 31-34 (32-35, 33-36): Repeat round 30 (31, 32) four more times.

Round 35 (36, 37): [fpDc around the next st, 1 esc into the next st] 41 (43, 45) times.

There should be two more stitches left in round. 1 fpDc around the next st, 1 sc into the next st, sl st into the first st of round to fasten off.

Weave in ends using yarn needle. Block if desired.