

# Crochet Newborn Bear Hat

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## Materials Needed:

Bulky Weight Yarn Size #5- I used Bernat Pipsqueak in baby blue.

Worsted Weight Yarn #4 – Yarn pictured is Caron Simply Soft in off-white.

Size H/5.0mm Crochet Hook (Or hook size needed to achieve correct gauge)

Tapestry Needle

Scissors

## Gauge:

**Bulky Weight Yarn, Size 5:** With “H” hook, about 3 rows of DC and 6 DC stitches across is 2” by 2”

## Abbreviations:

MC: magic circle

Ch: chain

St(s): stitch(es)

SLST: slip stitch

SC: single crochet

DC: double crochet

Fo: finish off

To see stitch explanation, pictures, and how to create magic circle, please see the bottom of the document.

**Skill Level:** Easy-Intermediate, due to the fact that the pipsqueak yarn makes it very difficult to see stitches.

## Sizes:

These sizes are approximate and actual measurements of the child would be best. Newborn measurement and can fit up to 2 months, depending on the child. Hat will come out a little smaller, since it stretches when worn.

Size	Hat Circumference	Hat Length
Newborn	13-14”	5.5”

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### Notes for Hat:

1. Ch 2 at beginning of rounds does not count as a DC. When joining at end of rounds, join to first DC with a slip stitch.
3. This hat is worked in the round, there is no turning.
4. The ( ) at the end of the round/row is the total stitches in that round/row.

### Hat Instructions:

With bulky white yarn and “H” hook, or hook used to get correct gauge.

**Round 1:** MC, Ch 2, 9 DC in ring, join with SLST to first DC. (9)

**Round 2:** Ch 2, 2 DC in each st around, join with SLST to first DC. (18)

**Round 3:** Ch 2, \*2 DC in next st, 1 DC in next st\*, repeat from \* to \* around, join with a SLST to first DC. (27)

**Round 4:** Ch 2, \*2 DC in next st, 1 DC in next 2 sts\*, repeat from \* to \* around, join with a SLST to first DC. (36)

**Round 5-9:** Ch 2, 1 DC in each st around, join with a SLST to first DC. (36) (5 Rows) Fo and weave in ends.

### Bear Ears:

#### Inner Ear:

Using worsted weight yarn and “H” hook (or hook used to achieve gauge), start by making the inner part of the ear. I used Caron Simply Soft in off-white.

**Row 1:** MC, Ch 1, 6 SC into the circle, join with a SLST to first SC. (6)

**Row 2:** Ch 1, 2 SC into each st around, join with a SLST to first SC (12)

**Row 3:** Ch 1, \*2 SC in next st, 1 SC in next st\*, repeat from \* to \* around, join with a SLST to first SC. (18)

Repeat for your second inner ear, weave in ends, then set aside.

#### Outer Ear:

Using same bulky baby blue yarn that you used for the hat and “H” hook. Pattern is the same as the inner ear, except for how to finish. This will give you a slightly larger outer ear, compared to the inner.

**Row 1:** MC, Ch 1, 6 SC into the circle, join with a SLST to first SC. (6)

**Row 2:** Ch 1, 2 SC into each st around, join with a SLST to first SC (12)

**Row 3:** Ch 1, \*2 SC in next st, 1 SC in next st\*, repeat from \* to \* around, join with a SLST to first SC. (18)

Place the inner ear on top of the outer ear, Ch 1, 1 SC in each st around, through both layers. (18). Fo leaving a long tail for sewing, to the hat.



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Using a tapestry needle, sew the ears to the hat from the top of round 2 to the bottom of round 3, of the hat. Weave in all ends.



## Stitch Guide:

**Chain (Ch):** Yarn over and draw the yarn through the loop on the hook.

**Single Crochet (SC):** Insert hook in stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

**Slip Stitch (SLST):** Insert hook in stitch, yarn over and draw yarn through stitch and the loop on your hook, in one motion.

**Double Crochet (DC):** Yarn over, insert hook into stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops), yarn over and draw through the first two loops, yarn over and draw through the remaining two loops.

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### How to Make Magic Circle:

I used worsted weight yarn for example, so you can see what I am doing.

To start the magic circle, hold the end of the yarn tail with your thumb and wrap the yarn around two or three fingers.

Turn your hand over, so you are looking at the back of your fingers. Using your crochet hook, go under the yarn and grab the second piece of yarn, pulling under and through. Chain one, before pulling off your fingers.

Pull magic circle off your fingers and chain one more, so you have two chains. Work your DC into the circle, going over both strands of yarn. When you finish working all of the DC, pull the starting tail yarn till your circle is tight. Slip stitch to the first DC to join.

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