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Tweed Sunburst Beret

A warm crochet beret with a small loop at the crown.

YARN	HOOK	HEAD	TERMS
Worsted / medium	6 mm	56-58 cm	US crochet

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Before you begin

Make a soft beret with a double-crochet centre, half-double-crochet crown and a narrow textured brim. The example fits an adult head of about 56-58 cm / 22-23 in.

Beginning ch 3 or ch 2 counts as the first stitch of the round unless stated otherwise. Check the gauge and fit as you go. Choose one of the two decrease methods; each removes fifteen stitches per round.

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Materials and stitches

About 128-160 m / 140-175 yd of worsted / #4 tweed yarn in goldenrod. The example blend is 97% acrylic and 3% viscose, with 199 m / 218 yd per 100 g. A 6 mm (US J/10) hook, yarn needle, scissors and a stitch marker.

Gauge: rounds 1-4 in dc measure about 11.5 cm / 4.5 in across. After round 10, the crown is about 25.4 cm / 10 in across. The final decrease round is about 19 cm / 7.5 in across. Skill: advanced beginner.

Abbreviations

ch = chain; dc = double crochet; hdc = half double crochet; hdc2tog = half double crochet two together; sc = single crochet; sl st = slip stitch; st = stitch; rnd = round; fpdc / bpdc = front / back post double crochet. 2dc or 2hdc means two stitches in the same stitch. Brackets show the final stitch count.

Hdc2tog: yarn over, insert into the next stitch and draw up a loop; yarn over, insert into the next stitch and draw up a loop. Yarn over and draw through all five loops. Two stitches become one.



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Crown | Increase rounds

Make a magic ring, ch 3; or ch 4, join with a sl st to form a ring, and ch 3. For round 1 work 11 dc into the ring, pull it closed and join. The beginning ch 3 is the first dc. (12 sts)

For rounds 3-10, work the full repeat as many times as it fits, then finish with the partial repeat shown. Join each round with a sl st. The starting chain counts as the first stitch.

Rnd	Instruction	Sts
2	Ch 3, dc in the same stitch; 2 dc in each remaining stitch.	24
3	Ch 3; repeat (2 dc in next st, dc in next st), ending with 2 dc.	36
4	Ch 3; repeat (2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts), ending with 2 dc, 1 dc.	48
5	Ch 3; repeat (2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts), ending with 2 dc, 2 dc singly.	60
6	Ch 2; repeat (2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts), ending with 2 hdc, 3 hdc singly.	72
7	Ch 2; repeat (2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts), ending with 2 hdc, 4 hdc singly.	84
8	Ch 2; repeat (2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 6 sts), ending with 2 hdc, 5 hdc singly.	96
9	Ch 2; repeat (2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 7 sts), ending with 2 hdc, 6 hdc singly.	108
10	Ch 2; repeat (2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 8 sts), ending with 2 hdc, 7 hdc singly.	120

Round 10 is the final increase round for the pictured size. You may stop increasing earlier for a smaller crown, adjusting later rounds to match the intended fit.

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Shape the beret | Rounds 11 to 16

Rounds 11-12: Ch 2, hdc around and join each round. (120 sts)

Decrease from 120 stitches to 60 over four rounds. Use either hdc2tog or skipped-stitch decreases. Count the starting ch 2 as the first worked hdc in the first repeat, rather than adding an extra stitch.

Rnd	Option 1: hdc2tog	Option 2: skip	Sts
13	(6 hdc, hdc2tog) x15	(7 hdc, skip 1) x15	105
14	(5 hdc, hdc2tog) x15	(6 hdc, skip 1) x15	90
15	(4 hdc, hdc2tog) x15	(5 hdc, skip 1) x15	75
16	(3 hdc, hdc2tog) x15	(4 hdc, skip 1) x15	60

For example, start round 13 with ch 2, 5 hdc and hdc2tog for option 1; then work the remaining fourteen full repeats. Join with a sl st. Use the same principle for later rounds.





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Brim | Rounds 17 to 19

Round 17: Ch 2, hdc around; join. (60 sts)

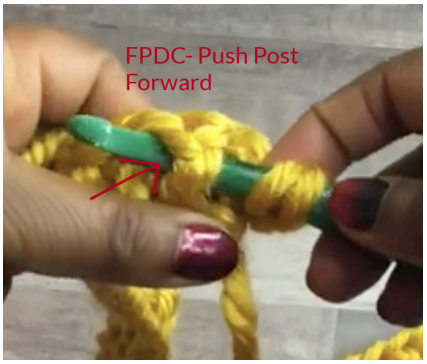
Round 18: Ch 3, dc around; join. (60 sts)

Round 19: Ch 3 and alternate front-post and back-post dc around; join and ch 1. (60 sts)

Front and back post stitches

For fpdc, yarn over and insert the hook from front to back to front around the stitch post, pushing the post forward. Complete a dc around that post. For bpdc, insert from back to front to back around the post, pushing it backward. Complete a dc. Count the starting chain within the total of sixty stitches.







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Finish the edge and crown loop

Round 20: Place a marker in the ch 1. Sc around and join. (60 sts) Use the marker to keep your place if continuing to round 21.

Optional tightening: either work round 21 as one sl st in each stitch around and join, or skip four evenly spaced stitches while working round 20 to reduce that round to 56 stitches. These are alternatives; you do not need both.

Use the magic-ring tail or attach a 30 cm / 12 in piece of yarn at the crown. Ch 6 or 7, fold the chain in half and fasten off, leaving a tail. Sew the looped chain securely to the top of the beret.



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