



Preemie Cap

Lion Brand® Microspun

GAUGE

24 sts + 28 rnds = 4 inches [10 cm] in St st (k every rnd). When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

HAT

Cast on 48 (60, 72, 84) sts. Distribute sts evenly on 4 needles and join for working in the rnd, being careful not to twist. Work in St st until piece measures 4½ (5, 5½, 6) inches [11.5 (12.5, 14, 15) cm] from beginning.

Shape Crown

Rnd 1 *K 4, k2tog; repeat from * – 40 (50, 60, 70) sts.

Rnds 2, 4, 6, and 8 Knit.

Rnd 3 *K 3, k2tog; repeat from * – 32 (40, 48, 56) sts.

Rnd 5 *K 2, k2tog; repeat from * – 24 (30, 36, 42) sts.

Rnd 7 *K 1, k2tog; repeat from * – 16 (20, 24, 28) sts.

Rnd 9 K2tog around – 8 (10, 12, 14) sts.

Rnd 10 K2tog around – 4 (5, 6, 7) sts.

Cut yarn, leaving a 6" [15 cm] tail. Thread tail through remaining sts, and fasten off securely. Weave in ends.

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Newborn Crochet Hat

By: [Lorene Eppolite for AllFreeCrochet](#)

This super simple Newborn Crochet Hat will fit most premies and newborns. It is created using basic double crochet and single crochet and works up quickly using just one skein of Lion Brand's Modern Baby yarn in red. This particular crocheted baby hat was created for the American Heart Association's Little Hats, Big Hearts initiative to raise awareness of heart disease. This hat features an optional fold up brim that is especially helpful for [premature babies](#), as it can be turned down to help cover their eyes if they are in an incubator under bilirubin lights. The finished hat also has a good amount of stretch so the fold up brim can be left down and the hat will stretch to fit a larger baby.



MATERIALS:

- Modern Baby by Lion Brand in Red: approx 86 yards (you can make two hats with every skein)
- 6.0 mm (J) crochet hook, or hook needed to obtain gauge
- needle to weave in ends

SIZE:

11" circumference 4-3/4" tall without brim
5-3/4" tall with fold up brim (1")

GAUGE:

3 rounds = 3 1/4"

STITCH GUIDE

ch(s): chain(s)
sc: single crochet
dc: double crochet
st(s): stitch(es)

NOTES

Ch3 counts as first dc in first 10 rounds.

Slip stitch into the top of the Ch - 3 to join each round, unless otherwise noted.

PATTERN:

Round 1: Create a magic circle. Ch3 and 11dc in the magic circle OR ch4 and 11dc in the 3rd ch from hook. <12>

Round 2: Ch3 and 1dc in the first st. 2dc in every st around. <24>

Round 3: Ch3. 2dc in the next st. *1dc in the next st. 2dc in the next st. Repeat from * around. <36> Circle should measure 3 1/4"

Rounds 4-10: Ch3. 1dc in every st around. <36>

Round 11: Ch1 and 1sc in first st. * 1sc in each of the next 8sts. 2sc in the next st. repeat from * around. Slip stitch into the top of the first sc to join. <40>

Rounds 12-?: Ch1 and 1sc in the first st. 1sc in every st around. <40> IF you prefer hat to not have a fold up brim, stop after round 12, fasten off and weave in ends.

Fasten off and weave in ends. Be sure the magic circle is cinched up tightly and secured. Fold bottom, sc portion, of hat up.