WOOL AND THE GANG

SUNSEEKER BUCKET HAT

INTERMEDIATE
5MM HOOK

YOUR ADVENTURE
STARTS NOW

IT'S FUN
Making is the new yoga. Free your mind, the rest will follow. Namaste.

WE'LL BE THERE FOR YOU
Find all the video tutorials you need online.

YOU'RE GOING TO FEEL GOOD
Nothing will make you happier than holding your finished project.

RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

1

GET YOUR TOOLS READY.
Everything you need to get making.

2

FAMILIARISE YOURSELF WITH THE TECHNIQUES.
Everything from the stitches used to the
finishing touches for your project.

3

GET TO KNOW YOUR YARN.
Before you start your piece, play around with
your new yarn to get used to it, and to check
your tension.

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WOOL SCHOOL
Pick up your needles & yarn and make the
magic happen! For a little extra help, check
out our Wool School at:
www.woolandthegang.com/t/how-to

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When you're done - let the world know.

LET'S GET MAKING

Tool kit
1 ball of WATG's Shiny Happy Cotton in colour A
1 ball of WATG's Shiny Happy Cotton in colour B
1 ball of WATG's Shiny Happy Cotton in colour C
1 ball of WATG's Shiny Happy Cotton in colour D
1 ball of WATG's Shiny Happy Cotton in colour E
1 5mm crochet hook
1 Sunseeker Bucket Hat pattern
1 sewing needle

Tension
To ensure your crochet project has the same measurements as
the pattern, it is a good idea to make a tension swatch before
you start. A tension swatch is a small sample of crochet where
you count the stitches and rows and check them against the
tension given in the pattern. If you get MORE stitches/rows
than the pattern's tension, it means your crochet is TIGHTER.
If you get FEWER stitches/rows than the pattern, your crochet
is LOOSER. Sometimes, it works to crochet tighter or looser to
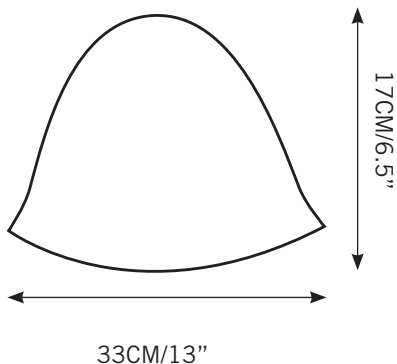compensate.

Single crochet
10cm/4" = 17 stitches
10cm/4" = 20 rows

All techniques can be found at the back of the pattern.

MEASUREMENTS

17CM/6.5"

33CM/13"

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HOW TO CROCHET YOUR SUNSEEKER BUCKET HAT

To make the instructions easier to read, we will now use some simple abbreviations:

SC = single crochet
SC1 = make 1 single crochet stitch
SC2 = make 2 single crochet stitches

1   Using the Shiny Happy Cotton in colour A, create a magic loop and SC6 around it. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round.

2   **Increase round:** Start your round by making 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. SC2 into each of the stitches of your round. (12 stitches.)

Now you will be working in the round in a continuous spiral, unless stated otherwise in the pattern.

3   **Increase round:** Place your yarn marker to show the start of the round, do this at the beginning of each of your rounds. ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC1.★ Repeat the section inside the stars (★) a further 5 times. (18 stitches.)

4   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC2.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (24 stitches.)

5   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC3.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (30

stitches.)

6   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC4.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour A. (36 stitches.)

7   **Increase round:** Change to colour B by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC5.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (42 stitches.)

8   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC6.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (48 stitches.)

9   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC7.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (54 stitches.)

10   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC8.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (60 stitches.)

11   **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC9.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour B. (66 stitches.)

12   **Increase round:** Change to colour C by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★SC2 into the next

stitch, SC10.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (72 stitches.)

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13 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC11.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. (78 stitches.)

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14 Work 6 rounds in single crochet.

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15 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC38.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (80 stitches.)

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16 Work 1 round in single crochet.

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17 **Increase round:** SC19, SC2 into the next stitch, SC39, SC2 into the next stitch, SC20. (82 stitches.)

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18 Work 1 round in single crochet. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour C.

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19 **Increase round:** Change to colour D by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC40.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (84 stitches.)

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20 **Increase round:** SC20, SC2 into the next stitch, SC41, SC2 into the next stitch, SC21. (86 stitches.)

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21 Work 1 round in single crochet.

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22 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC42.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (88 stitches.)

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23 **Increase round:** SC21, SC2 into the next stitch, SC43, SC2 into the next stitch, SC22. (90 stitches.)

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24 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC44.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (92 stitches.)

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25 **Increase round:** SC22, SC2 into the next stitch, SC45, SC2 into the next stitch, SC23. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour D. (94 stitches.)

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26 Change to colour E by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. Work 1 round in single crochet.

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27 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC46.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (96 stitches.)

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28 **Increase round:** SC23, SC2 into the next stitch, SC47, SC2 into the next stitch, SC24. (98 stitches.)

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29 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC48.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour E. (100 stitches.)

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30 **Increase round:** Change to colour B by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. SC24, SC2 into the next stitch, SC49, SC2 into the next stitch, SC25. (102 stitches.)

31 Work 1 round in single crochet. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour B.

32 **Increase round:** Change to colour E by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC50.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (104 stitches.)

33 **Increase round:** SC25, SC2 into the next stitch, SC51, SC2 into the next stitch, SC26. (106 stitches.)

34 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC52.★ Repeat the section inside the stars once more. (108 stitches.)

35 **Increase round:** SC26, SC2 into the next stitch, SC53, SC2 into the next stitch, SC27. (110 stitches.)

36 **Increase round:** ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC10.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 9 times. (120 stitches.)

37 Work 1 round in single crochet. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour E.

38 **Increase round:** Change to colour C by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★SC2 into the next stitch, SC19.★ Repeat the section inside the stars a further 5 times. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round and then cut colour C. (126 stitches.)

39 Change to colour A by working 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. Work 1 round in single crochet. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round.

40 Cut the yarn approx. 15cm/6" from the last stitch. Pull on the loop on the crochet hook until the end pops through – you have now secured the last stitch.
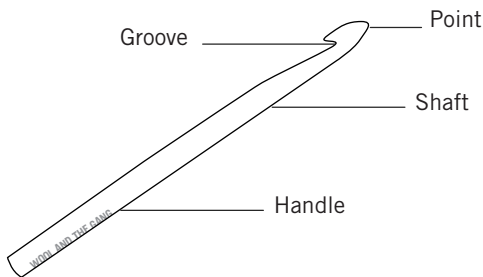
CROCHET TECHNIQUES

> ▶ **Help's only a stitch away.** Watch the video tutorials online at **www.woolandthegang.com/t/how-to**

Crochet hook

The crochet hook is your tool on the path to greatness! Your pattern may refer to different parts of the crochet hook - here is an illustration to help you understand it all a little better.
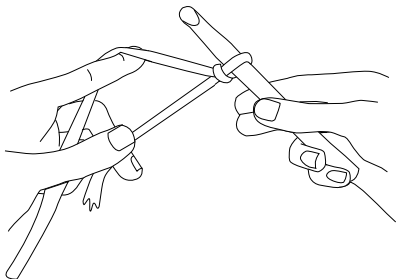

Point

Groove

Shaft

Handle

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Turning chains / ▶ Online video tutorial

When working in crochet, you often need to do a 'turning chain' at the beginning of your row. This creates a stitch that 'lifts' you up to the next level, so you're ready to crochet the next row. The turning chain is made up of chain stitches, and the number of stitches varies between different types of stitches. (Your pattern will tell you how many stitches to use for the stitch you're working in.)

### Chain stitch / ▶ [Online video tutorial](#)

This is the foundation of most crochet work and can also be used as a technique on its own.

1. Make a slipknot and place it on the shaft of your crochet hook. Hold the hook in your right hand and the yarn in your left hand.
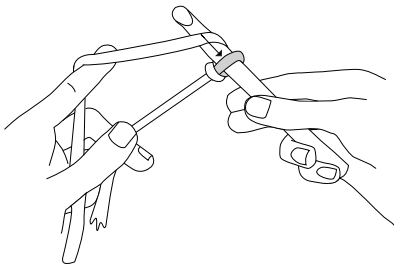

2. Move the point of the crochet hook UNDER the yarn from left to right, then move it OVER the yarn from right to left. The yarn is now looped around your crochet hook.
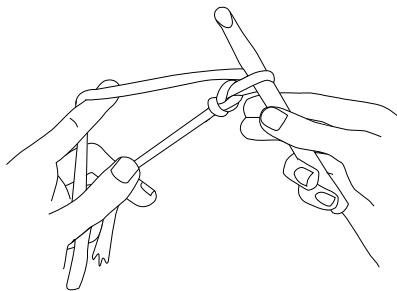
1. Scoop up the yarn with the groove of the hook, and pull it through the loop already on your hook. Slide the new stitch towards the shaft of the hook. You've now made one chain stitch.

Repeat steps 2 and 3 to keep creating new stitches. Take care not to pull your stitches too tightly! When counting your stitches, count each of the loops except the one on your hook.
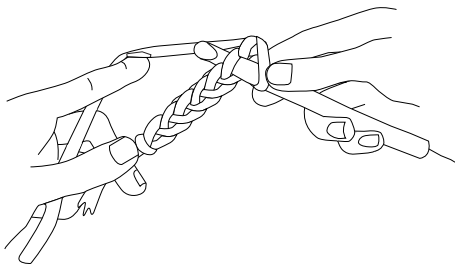

stitch on hook
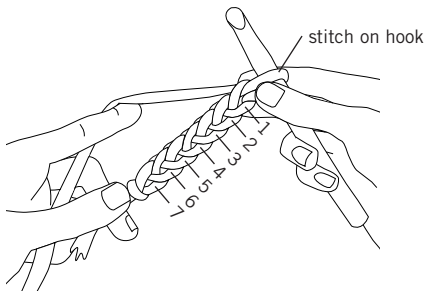
To make a chain stitch in the main body of your piece (for example, to make a turning chain), repeat steps 2 and 3.

**Single crochet** / ▶ <u>Online video tutorial</u>

This stitch is one of the most basic crochet stitches. It uses a turning chain of 1 stitch.
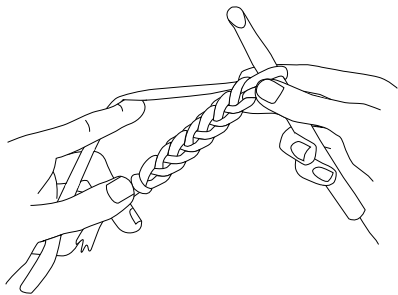

To work into a foundation chain at the beginning of your work, start with your hook in your right hand and the work in the left. Work across your foundation chain from right to left.

1. Insert your crochet hook into the middle of the second stitch from the hook (not counting the stitch on the hook!).
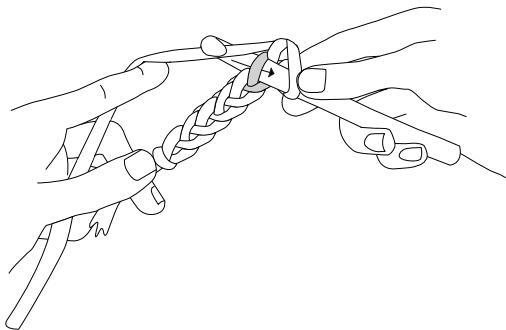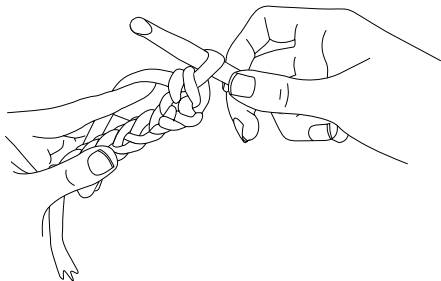
2. Move the hook under and then over the yarn. Scoop the yarn with the groove of your hook, and pull it through the stitch. There are now two loops on your hook.
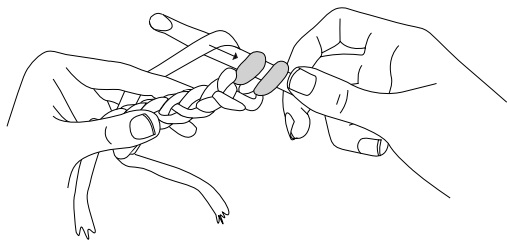
3. Loop the yarn around the hook again, and pull the yarn through BOTH of the loops on your hook. You have now worked one stitch in single crochet, and there's a single stitch on your hook again.

4. To continue working in single crochet, insert the hook into the next stitch of your row and repeat steps 2 and 3.
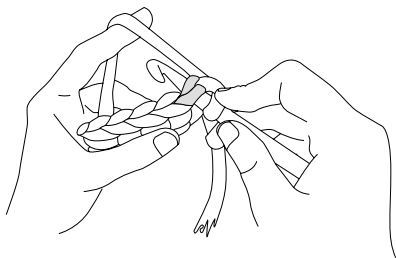
To work into a stitch that was crocheted on the previous row, insert your crochet hook underneath **both strands** of the sideways 'V' at the top of the next stitch, then repeat steps 2 and 3.

Increasing in single crochet
To increase, you simply work into the same stitch more than once. After completing the first stitch, just insert the crochet hook into the same stitch, and make more stitches as needed.

Working with stripes in the round
To avoid an obvious step when changing colour at the beginning of your round, join the previous round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round using the colour you are currently working with. Then make 1 chain stitch using the colour you are changing to, place your marker, and continue to work your round using the new colour.

Slip stitch / ⊙ __Online video tutorial__
Insert your crochet hook into the next stitch. Starting with the hook in front of the yarn, move the hook under and then over the yarn, so the yarn ends up looped around the shaft of the hook. Scoop up the yarn with the groove of your hook and pull it through both the stitch and the loop on your hook. You now have a single loop on your hook. You have worked one slip stitch.

Adding a new ball of yarn / ⊙ __Online video tutorial__
To add a new ball of the same colour, start your stitch in the regular way and work until you have three loops left on your hook. At this point, loop your new yarn around the hook, leaving a long tail of the new yarn, and pull the new yarn through the remaining three loops to finish the stitch.

Yarn markers

Yarn markers are used to mark specific points in your crochet – they are a great way to let you off the hook when it comes to counting stitches as you work! Instead, you just continue working away until you reach your marker.

To make a yarn marker, take a length of yarn about 10cm/4" long. When the pattern tells you to place your marker, lay it across your work directly in front of the stitch on your hook. Continue to work the next step of your pattern over the top of the marker to hold it in place. On the next row, when you reach the marker, simply pull it out from the work and place it on your new row.

FINISHING TECHNIQUES

Hiding your yarn ends

To hide the tail of your yarn, turn your work so the wrong side is facing you. Thread your sewing needle with the yarn end, and sew horizontally across your work, inserting needle and yarn underneath the back two strands of your crocheted stitches. Work like this for a few stitches, then move down a row and work back in the opposite direction. Finally, cut the yarn close to the fabric.
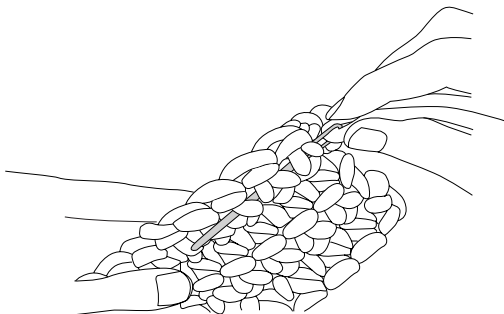
MAKING MEMOIRS

STARTED ON ....

FINISHED ON ....

WHERE I MADE IT

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MADE FOR

☐ Me   ☐ ....

COLOUR COMBO ....

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THIS PROJECT WAS

( ) easy peasy   ( ) nice   ( ) challenging   ( ) hardcore

I FEEL   ☺   ☺   ☹   ☹

OTHER THOUGHTS ....

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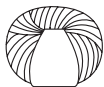|			
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YOUR PROJECT DESERVES
SOME SEXY YARN

CRAZY SEXY WOOL

100% Peruvian Wool

HEAL THE WOOL

100% Recycled Wool

LIL' HEAL THE WOOL

100% Recycled Wool

JERSEY BE GOOD

98% Cotton

2% Elastane

MIXTAPE YARN

80% Cotton

20% Polyester

BILLIE JEAN

100% Upcycled Denim

TAKE CARE MOHAIR

78% Kid Mohair

13% Wool / 9% Polyamide

FEELING GOOD

70% Baby Alpaca

7% Merino / 23% Nylon

SHINY HAPPY COTTON

100% Peruvian

Pima Cotton

SUGAR BABY ALPACA

100% Baby Alpaca

TINA TAPE YARN

100% Tencel®

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