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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft®:** 1 ball each 4600 White **A** and 9925 Really Red **B**

**RED HEART® Buttercup®:** 1 ball 4270 White **C**

**Susan Bates® Crochet Hooks:** 5mm [US H-8], 5.5mm [US I-9] and 8mm [US L-11]

Yarn needle, stitch markers, velcro hook and loop fastener tape, white sewing thread and sewing needle

**GAUGE:** 16 sc = 4" [10 cm]; 12 rows = 4" [10 cm] in single crochet using 5.5mm [US I-9] and **A**. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**



**RED HEART® Soft®**, Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4 oz (113 g), 212 yd (194 m) balls



**RED HEART® Buttercup®**, Art. N396 available in 1.76 oz (50 g), 63 yd (57 m) balls

SHOP KIT

# Baby Santa Hat with Beard

Baby can wear this hat with or without the beard for a festive picture-perfect look. Beard is crocheted separately and attached with hook and loop tape. Make this hat in red and then make it in other colors for a wardrobe of head warmers.

**Hat measures 18 (20)" [44 (51) cm] circumference.**

**Beard measures 8" [20.5 cm] at widest point x 5½" [14 cm] long.**

## NOTES

Santa beard hat is worked from the bottom edge to crown, beginning with a ribbed band. Ribbing is worked in rows with smallest hook by crocheting in back loops only for all stitches and all rows.

Crown of hat is worked in continuous rounds with a larger hook.

Beard is worked separately and is attached with hook and loop fastener tape. Beard size can be adjusted by adding or omitting sts and rows.

## SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

**sc2tog:** [Draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

**Warning:** Please do not leave baby unattended while beard portion is in place as it could slip and cover the mouth and nose.

## HAT

### Ribbed Band

With 5mm [US H-8] hook and **A**, ch 7.

**Row 1:** Working in back loops only, sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across – 6 sts.

**Row 2:** Working in back loops only, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across – 6 sts. Repeat Row 2 until 55 (68) rows have been worked.

**Last Row:** With right sides together, fold band in half to line up sts of first and last rows, ch 1, turn, working through used loops of foundation ch and front loops of last row, sc in each st across to join. Do not fasten off.

## Hat Crown

**Round 1:** Turn Ribbed Band right side out and ready to work along one long edge, change to 5.5mm [US I-9] hook and begin working in round, ch 1, sc 56 (68) sts evenly spaced around, slip st in first sc to join – 56 (68) sts. Fasten off.

**Round 2:** With right side facing, join **B** in any st with slip st, ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in each st around, slip st in first sc to join – 56 (68) sts. Place stitch marker in first st to mark beginning of round.

**Rounds 3-17:** Working through both loops in continuous rounds, sc in each st around.

**Round 18:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 26 (32) sts; repeat from \* once more – 54 (66) sts.

## Shape Crown

### For Small Hat Only

**Rounds 19:** Repeat Round 17.

**Round 20:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts; repeat from \* around – 48 sts.

**Round 21:** Sc in each st around.

**Round 22:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts; repeat from \* around – 42 sts.

**Rounds 23-24:** Sc in each st around for 2 rounds.

**Round 25:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts; repeat from \* around – 36 sts.

**Rounds 26-28:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.

**Round 29:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* around – 30 sts.

**Rounds 30-32:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.

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**Round 33:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts; repeat from \* around – 24 sts.  
**Rounds 34-35:** Sc in each st around for 2 rounds.  
**Round 36:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from \* around – 18 sts.  
**Round 37:** Sc in each st around.  
**Round 38:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next st; repeat from \* around – 12 sts.  
**Rounds 39-41:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.  
**Round 42:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next st; repeat from \*around – 8 sts.  
**Round 43:** Sc in each st around.  
**Round 44:** \*Sc2tog; repeat from \* around.  
 Fasten off, leaving a long end.  
 Using yarn needle, weave end through sts and pull tightly to close hole. Secure end.

#### For Large Hat Only

**Rounds 19-21:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.  
**Round 22:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts; repeat from \* around – 60 sts.  
**Rounds 23-25:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.  
**Round 26:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts; repeat from \* around – 54 sts.  
**Rounds 27-30:** Sc in each st around for 4 rounds.  
**Round 31:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts; repeat from \* around – 48 sts.  
**Rounds 32-37:** Sc in each st around for 6 rounds.  
**Round 38:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts; repeat from \* around – 42 sts.  
**Rounds 39-42:** Sc in each st around for 4 rounds.  
**Round 43:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts; repeat from \* around – 36 sts.  
**Rounds 44-46:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.

**Round 47:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* around – 30 sts.  
**Rounds 48-50:** Sc in each st around for 3 rounds.  
**Round 51:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts; repeat from \* around – 24 sts.  
**Rounds 52-53:** Sc in each st around for 2 rounds.  
**Round 54:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from \* around – 18 sts.  
**Rounds 55-56:** Sc in each st around for 2 rounds.  
**Round 57:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next st; repeat from \*around – 12 sts.  
**Rounds 58-59:** Sc in each st around for 2 rounds.  
**Round 60:** \*Sc2tog, sc in next st; repeat from \*around – 8 sts.  
**Round 61:** Sc in each st around.  
**Round 62:** \*Sc2tog; repeat from \* around.  
 Fasten off, leaving a long end.  
 Using yarn needle, weave end through sts and pull tightly to close hole. Secure end.

## POMPOM

With **A**, cut 18" [46 cm] length of yarn and set aside. Hold hand as if to shake hands, with fingers together and extended.  
 Wrap yarn around extended fingers for 120 wraps.  
 While wraps are still on fingers, fold 18" [46 cm] length of yarn in half and slip under all the wraps. With folded yarn in place, slip wrapped yarn off fingers. Tie yarn length tightly around wraps in a secure knot.

Hold yarn wraps tightly in fist with tie ends dangling from bottom of fist and the looped wraps extending over top of closed fist. Carefully cut loops open to form pompom. Grasp by tie and shake to fluff out. Trim wrap ends evenly. Using tie ends, attach to top of Hat.

## BEARD

Beginning at bottom edge, with 8mm [USL-11] hook and **C**, ch 3.  
**Row 1:** Ch 2 (does NOT count as a hdc here and throughout), 3 hdc in 2nd ch from hook – 3 sts.  
**Row 2:** Ch 2, turn, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next st, 2 hdc in last st – 5 sts.  
**Row 3:** Ch 2, turn, [hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st] 2 times, hdc in last st – 7 sts.  
**Row 4:** Ch 2, turn, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in last 2 sts – 9 sts.  
**Row 5:** Ch 2, turn, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, [hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st] 2 times, hdc in last 2 sts – 12 sts.  
**Row 6:** Ch 2, turn, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in last 2 sts – 16 sts.  
**Row 7:** Ch 2, turn, hdc in each st across.

Shape Moustache and Mouth Opening  
**Row 8:** Ch 2, turn, dc in 6 sts, ch 4, skip next 4 sts, dc in last 6 sts.  
 Fasten off.



## FINISHING

Weave in ends.  
 With sewing thread and needle, sew a 1" [5 cm] piece of hook side of hook and loop fastener on right side on either side edge of Row 8. Sew corresponding loop pieces on wrong side along inside edge of Hat, adjusting placement so Beard fits face comfortably.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B, C** = Color A, B, C; **ch** = chain; **cm** = centimeters; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tog** = together; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; **\* or \*\*** = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.