



Crochet & Knit Newborn Caps

Hat circumference = 11¼ (11)”.

Directions are for 3-Light Yarn; changes for 4-Medium Yarn are in parentheses.

3-Light (4-Medium) Yarn: 1 Ounce for each cap.

Crochet Hook: 4mm [US G-6] (5mm [US H-8]).

Double Point Knitting Needles: 3.5 and 4mm [US 4 & 6] (4 and 5mm [US 6 & 8]).

3 Stitch markers; yarn needle.

CROCHETED CAP

GAUGES: 17 sts = 4”; 10 rows = 3” (13 sts = 4”; 6 rows = 2½”) in pat. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauges.**

Rnd 1: Ch 2; 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with a sl st in first sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, 3 (2) dc in first sc, [4 (3) dc in next sc] 5 times; join with a sl st in top of ch-3 – 24 (18) sts.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join – 48 (36) sts.

Rnd 4: Ch 3, skip first sc, dc in each sc around; join in top of ch-3.

Rnd 5: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join.

Rnds 6-17 (6-11): Rep Rnds 4 and 5 six (three) more times.

Rnd 18 (12): Rep Rnd 4.

Rnds 19 and 20 (13): Ch 2, dc around the post of the next st from the front, * dc around the post of the next st from the back, dc around the post of the next st from the front; rep from * around; join with a sl st to top of ch-2. Fasten off at end of last rnd. Weave in ends.

KNIT CAP

GAUGES: 22 sts = 4”; 30 rows = 4” (17 sts = 4”; 23 rows = 4”) in St st. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauges.**

With smaller needles, cast on 60 (48) sts – 20 (16) sts on each of 3 needles. Join, being careful that sts are not twisted.

Ribbing Rnd: * K2, P2; rep from * around. Rep Ribbing Rnd until 2½” from beg. Change to larger needles and work in St st (K every rnd) until 5” from beg.

Shape Top: Place a marker between the 10th and 11th (8th and 9th) sts on each needle.

Next Rnd: [K2tog, K to marker, K2tog, K to end of needle] 3 times – 18 (14) sts on each needle.

Next Rnd: [K2tog, K to marker, K2tog, K to end of needle] 3 times – 16 (12) sts on each needle.

Next Rnd: Knit.

Rep last 3 rnds 2 (1) more times, then rep the first 2 rnds again – 4 sts on each needle. Cut yarn leaving an 8” end. With yarn needle, weave end through remaining sts, draw up tightly and fasten securely. Fold ribbing in half to the right side.

ABBREVIATIONS: **beg** = beginning; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **K** = knit; **mm** = millimeters; **P** = purl; **rep** = repeat; **rnd** = round; **sc** = single crochet; **sl** = slip stitch; **St st** = Stockinette stitch; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tog** = together; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.