





EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® With Love®: 1 skein each 1805 Bluebell A, 1101 Eggshell B, and 1201 Daffodil C

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9]

Yarn needle, stitch marker, two 3/4" (19m) 2-hole buttons (for hat), two 1" (25.5 mm) 2-hole buttons (for diaper cover), fabric sealant (optional)

GAUGE: 13 sts = 4" (10 cm); 7 rows = 4" (10 cm) in half double crochet. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® With Love®, Art. E400 available in solid color

7oz (198g), 370 yd (338m) and multicolor 5oz (141g), 230 yd (211m) skeins

Cutie Blue Bird Hat & Diaper Cover

Crochet this cute set and baby will have the perfect outfit for his or her next photo op. This sweet bluebird of happiness will warm your heart! Hat directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium, Large, and X-Large are in parentheses.

Diaper cover directions are for size 3 months. Changes for sizes 6 months, 9 months, and 12 months are in parentheses.

Hat measures: 15½ (17, 18½, 20)" [39.5 (43, 47, 51) cm] circumference at brim. **Diaper cover measures:** 12 (13, 14, 15)" [30.5 (33, 35.5, 38) cm] circumference at waist x 11 (12, 13, 14)" [28 (30.5, 33, 35.5) cm] long.

Special Technique

Adjustable-ring method = Wrap yarn in a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Join with sc = Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

Notes

- 1. Hat is made in joined rounds with earflaps worked back and forth in rows.
- 2. Diaper cover is worked back and forth in rows.
- 3. Feathers, eyes, and nose are made separately and attached to hat.
- 4. Chain 1 at the beginning of a round or row does not count as a stitch.

HAT

With A, make an adjustable ring, ch 1.

Round 1 (right side): Work 10 hdc in ring; join with slip st in first st—10 hdc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 2: Ch 1, 2 hdc in each st around; join with slip st in first st—20 hdc.

Round 3: Ch 1, hdc in first st, 2 hdc in next st, [hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st] 9 times; join with slip st in first st—30 hdc.

Round 4: Ch 1, hdc in first 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, [hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st] 9 times; join with slip st in first st—40 hdc.

Round 5: Ch 1, hdc in first 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st, [hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st] 9 times; join with slip st in first st—50 hdc.

Sizes 6 months, 9 months, and 12 months only:

Round 6: Ch 1, hdc in first 9 (4, 4) sts, 2 hdc in next st, [hdc in next 9 (4, 4) sts, 2 hdc in next st] 4 (9, 9) times; join with slip st in first st—55 (60, 60) hdc.

Sizes 3 months, 6 months, and 9 months only:

Rounds 6 (7, 7)–13 (14, 15): Ch 1, hdc in each st around; join with slip st in first st.

Do not fasten off.

Size 12 months only:

Round 7: Ch 1, hdc in first 11 sts, 2 hdc in next st, [hdc in next 11 sts, 2 hdc in next st] 4 times; join with slip st in first st—65 hdc.

Rounds 8–16: Ch 1, hdc in each st around; join with slip st in first st.

Do not fasten off.

All sizes:

Right Earflap

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Row 1 (right side): Ch 2 (counts as first hdc here and throughout), skip next st, hdc in next 7 (9, 9, 9) sts, skip next st, hdc in last st; leave remaining sts unworked, turn— 9 (11, 11, 11) hdc.

Row 2: Ch 2, skip first st, hdc in next 5 (7, 7, 7) sts, skip next st, hdc in the last st, turn—7 (9, 9, 9) hdc.

Row 3: Ch 2, skip first st, hdc in next 3 (5, 5, 5) sts, skip next st, hdc in the last st, turn—5 (7, 7, 7) hdc.

Row 4: Ch 2, skip first st, hdc in next 1 (3, 3, 3) st(s), skip next st, hdc in the last st, turn—3 (5, 5, 5) hdc.

Fasten off size 3 months only.

Sizes 6 months, 9 months, and 12 months only:

Row 5: Ch 2, skip first st, hdc in next st, skip next st, hdc in the last st—3 hdc. Fasten off.

All sizes:

With right side of right earflap facing and back seam to the right, count to the left from earflap and place marker on 20th (22nd, 24th, 26th) st.

Left Earflap

With right side facing, join **A** with slip st in marked st and work same as right earflap.

Edging

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing, join A with sc in any st at center back between earflaps, *sc in each st to next earflap; working in ends of rows of first side, 2 sc in each row, hdc in first 2 sts of Row 4 (5, 5, 5), ch 16 (21, 26, 26), slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (chin strap made), hdc in last st; working in ends of rows of other

side, 2 sc in each row; repeat from * once, sc in each remaining st; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Feathers (make 3)

With A and leaving a 4" (10 cm) tail, ch 6. Row 1: Slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in each st across. Fasten off leaving a 4" (10 cm) tail for attaching.

Thread tails of each feather around stitches of Round 1 at top of hat, evenly spaced apart. Knot tightly on wrong side.

Eyes (make 2)

With **B**, make an adjustable ring, ch 1.

Round 1: Work 12 dc in ring; join with slip st in first st—12 dc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 2: Ch 1, 2 dc in each st around; join with slip st in first st—24 dc. Fasten off leaving long tail for sewing.

Using photograph as a guide, place eyes on front of hat between ear flaps and above last 2 rounds. With end tail, sew in place. With a strand of **B**, sew smaller buttons on eyes.

Beak

With **C** and leaving a long tail for sewing, make an adjustable ring, ch 3.

Round 1: Work 3 dc in ring, ch 3, slip st in ring. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring. Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Using photograph as a guide, center nose under eyes and sew in place.

FINISHING

Optional: Apply fabric sealant to knots securing buttons and feathers to reduce the risk of detachment.

Weave in ends.

DIAPER COVER

With A, ch 9 (11, 13, 13).

Row 1 (right side): Hdc in second ch from hook and each st, turn—8 (10, 12, 12) hdc. Row 2–9 (11, 13, 15): Ch 1, hdc in each st across, turn.

Row 10 (12, 14, 16): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 6 (8, 10, 10) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—10 (12, 14, 14) hdc.

Row 11 (13, 15, 17): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 8 (10, 12, 12) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—12 (14, 16, 16) hdc.

Row 12 (14, 16, 18): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 10 (12, 14, 14) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—14 (16, 18, 18) hdc.

Row 13 (15, 17, 19): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 12 (14, 16, 16) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—16 (18, 20, 20) hdc.

Row 14 (16, 18, 20): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 14 (16, 18, 18) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—18 (20, 22, 22) hdc.

Row 15 (17, 19, 21): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 16 (18, 20, 20) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—20 (22, 24, 24) hdc.

Row 16 (18, 20, 22): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 18 (20, 22, 22) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—22 (24, 26, 26) hdc.

Row 17 (19, 21, 23): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 20 (22, 24, 24) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—24 (26, 28, 28) hdc.

Row 18 (20, 22, 24): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 22 (24, 26, 26) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—26 (28, 30, 30) hdc.

Row 19 (21, 23, 25): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 24 (26, 28, 28) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—28 (30, 32, 32) hdc.

Row 20 (22, 24, 26): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 26 (28, 30, 30) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—30 (32, 34, 34) hdc.

Row 21 (23, 25, 27): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 28 (30, 32, 32) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—32 (34, 36, 36) hdc.

Row 22 (24, 26, 28): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 30 (32, 34, 34) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—34 (36, 38, 38) hdc.

Row 23 (25, 27, 29): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 32 (34, 36, 36) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—36 (38, 40, 40) hdc.

Row 24 (26, 28, 30): Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 34 (36, 38, 38) sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—38 (40, 42, 42) hdc.

Size 3 months only:

Row 25: Ch 1, dc in each st across. Do not turn or fasten off.

Size 6 months only:

Row 27: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 38 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—42 hdc.

Row 28: Ch 1, dc in each st across. Do not turn or fasten off.

Size 9 months only:

Row 29: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 40 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—44 hdc.

Row 30: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 42 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—46 hdc.

Row 31: Ch 1, dc in each st across. Do not turn or fasten off.

Size 12 months only:

Row 31: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 40 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—44 hdc.

Row 32: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 42 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—46 hdc.

Row 33: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—48 hdc.

Row 34: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 46 sts, 2 hdc in last st, turn—50 hdc.

Row 35: Ch 1, dc in each st across. Do not turn or fasten off.

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All sizes: Edging

Round 1: Working in ends of rows down first side, 2 sc in each row; working across opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each ch across; working in ends of rows up other side, 2 sc in each row, sc in each st across; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

FINISHING

On right side of diaper cover, place large buttons on Row 3 or 4 approximately 3 stitches from outer edge. With a strand of **A**, sew in place. Using spaces between stitches as buttonholes, fold ends of last rows over first rows and button in place.

Optional: Apply fabric sealant to knots securing buttons to reduce the risk of detachment.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

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

