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CROCHET SKILL LEVEL INTERMEDIATE

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## What you will need:

RED HEART ${ }^{\oplus}$ Soft Baby Steps ${ }^{\circledR}$ : 2 balls 9505 Aqua

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook: 5.5 mm [l-9 US]

Yarn needle, Five 12 mm buttons
GAUGE: 2 shells $=4^{\prime \prime}(10 \mathrm{~cm}) ; 8$ rows $=4^{\prime \prime}(10 \mathrm{~cm})$ in shell pattern. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

## RED HEART ${ }^{\text {® }}$ Soft

 Baby Steps ${ }^{\circledR}$, Art. E 746 available in solid color $50 z$ (142 g), 256 yd (234 m); multicolor $40 z(113 \mathrm{~g}), 204 \mathrm{yd}$ ( 187 m ) and smart print $30 \mathrm{z}(85 \mathrm{~g}$ ) $153 \mathrm{yd}(140 \mathrm{~m})$ balls

## Button-Up Baby Cocoon and Hat

Be ready to take your precious bundle home from the hospital in this cozy cocoon and hat. Buttoned front makes it easy to wrap up even a sleeping baby.

## Cocoon measures 22" (56 cm)

 circumference and 18 " ( 45.5 cm ) long.
## Hat measures 15 " ( 38 cm ) circumference (just before Lg-shell round)

## Special Stitches

shell $=(\mathrm{Dc},[\mathrm{ch} 1, \mathrm{dc}] 3$ times) in indicated stitch.
Lg-shell (Large shell) $=(\mathrm{Dc}$, [ch 1, dc] 4 times) in indicated stitch.
Ltr (Linked treble crochet) = Insert hook in upper horizontal bar of previous Ltr (or tr), yarn over and pull up a loop (2 loops on hook), insert hook in next horizontal bar of same Ltr (or tr), yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop (4 loops on hook), [yarn over, draw through 2 loops on hook] 3 times. Ltr-shell (Linked treble crochet shell) $=(\mathrm{Tr}, 4$ Ltr, ch 2, tr, 4 Ltr) in indicated stitch.
extsc (extended single crochet) = Insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through 1 loop on hook, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook. Bpextsc (Back post extended single crochet) = Insert hook from back to front and to back again around post of indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through 1 loop on hook, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook. extsc2tog (extended single crochet 2 together) = Insert hook in front loop of next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice. sc2tog (single crochet 2 together) $=[$ Insert hook in next stitch and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

## Notes

1. Cocoon is worked from the bottom up. The bottom is worked in joined rounds. The remainder of the Cocoon is worked back and forth in rows in a shell pattern.
2. Hat is worked from the top down.

## COCOON

Notes: Bottom of cocoon is worked with right side facing at all times. Do not turn rounds. Beginning at bottom.
Round 1 (right side): Ch 4 (beginning ch counts as first dc), 11 dc in 4th ch from hook; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—12 dc. Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), dc in same st as join, 2 dc in each dc around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-24 dc.
Round 3: Ch 3, dc in same st as join, dc in next dc, [2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc] 11 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-36 dc.
Round 4: Ch 3, dc in same st as join, dc in next 2 dc , [2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc] 11 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-48 dc.
Round 5: Ch 3, dc in same st as join, dc in next 3 dc, [2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc] 11 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-60 dc.
Round 6: Ch 3, dc in same st as join, dc in next 9 dc , [2 dc in next dc, dc in next 9 dc] 5 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-66 dc.

## Begin Shell Pattern

Note: Remainder of cocoon is worked back and forth in rows.
Row 1 (right side): Ch 1, sc in same st as join, [skip next 2 dc, shell in next dc, skip next 2 dc, sc in next dc] 10 times, skip next 2 dc , shell

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in next dc, skip next 2 dc , sc in same st as first sc (same st as join), do not join, turn-11 shells.
Row 2: Ch 3, (dc, ch 1, dc) in first sc (half shell made), skip next ch- 1 space (first ch-1 space of shell), sc in next ch-1 space (center ch-1 space of shell), [shell in next sc, skip next ch-1 space, sc in next ch-1 space] 10 times, (dc, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ ) in last sc (half shell made), turn-10 shells and one half-shell at each end.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first dc, [shell in next sc, skip next ch-1 space, sc in next ch-1 space] 10 times, shell in next sc, sc in top of turning ch, turn.
Rows 4-31: Repeat last 2 rows 14 times At the end of Row 31, do not fasten off and do not turn.

## Buttonhole Band

Row 1 (right side): Working in ends of rows down side edge, ch 1 , sc in side of last sc made (at the end of Row 31, [2 sc in the next ch-3 turning space, sc in side of next sc] 15 times, turn-46 sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, skip first sc, sc in next 44 sc, turn; leave last sc unworked-44 sc.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, [skip 3 sc, Ltrshell in next sc, skip next 3 sc , sc in next sc] 5 times, sc in next 2 sc , slip st in side of last sc of Row 1 , sc in join of last round of bottom of cocoon. Do not fasten off and do not turn.
Note: The ch-2 spaces of the Ltr-shells serve as buttonholes.

## Buttonband and Top Edge (right side):

Working in ends of rows up opposite side edge, work 2 sc over each dc and sc in side of each sc at ends of rows to top edge; working in sts across top edge, sc in first sc (same sc as last sc made), skipping all of the dc sts, *2 sc in each of next 3 ch-1 spaces, sc in next
sc; repeat from * across top edge. Do not asten off and do not turn.

Buttonhole Band Edging (right side): Working across buttonband, sc in end of Row 1 of buttonhole band, sc in end of Row 2 , sc in first 2 sc of Row 3, [working in back loops only, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next ch-2 space, sc in next 5 sts, sc in next sc] 5 times, sc in next sc, slip st in next st. Fasten off.

## FINISHING COCOON

Weave in ends. Sew one button to buttonband opposite ch-2 space of each Ltr-shell.

## HAT

Beginning at top of hat, ch 3.
Round 1 (right side): Work 8 extsc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch does not count as a st); join with slip st in first extsc-8 extsc.
Round 2: Ch 2 (does not count as a st here and throughout), 2 extsc in each st around; join with slip st in first extsc-16 extsc. Round 3: Ch 2, extsc in same st as join, 2 extsc in next st, [extsc in next st, 2 extsc in next st] 7 times; join with slip st in first extsc-24 extsc.
Round 4: Ch 2, extsc in same st as join, extsc in next st, 2 extsc in next st, [extsc in next 2 sts, 2 extsc in next st] 7 times; join with slip st in first extsc-32 extsc.
Round 5: Ch 2, extsc in same st as join, extsc in next 2 sts, 2 extsc in next st, [extsc in next 3 sts, 2 extsc in next st] 7 times; join with slip st in first extsc-40 extsc.
Round 6: Ch 2, extsc in same st as join, extsc in next 3 sts, 2 extsc in next st, [extsc in next 4 sts, 2 extsc in next st] 7 times; join with slip st in first extsc-48 extsc.
Round 7: Ch 2, extsc in same st as join, extsc in next 4 sts, 2 extsc in next st, [extsc in next 5 sts, 2 extsc in next st] 7 times; join with slip st in first extsc-56 extsc.

Round 8: Ch 1, Bpextsc around each extsc;
join with slip st in in first BPextsc-56 sts.
Round 9: Ch 2, extsc in each Bpextsc around; join with slip st in first extsc.
Round 10: Ch 2, extsc in same st as join, extsc in next 4 sts, extsc2tog, [extsc in next 5 sts, extsc2tog] 7 times; join with slip st in first extsc-48 sts.
Round 11: Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, [sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog] 5 times; join with slip st in first sc-42 sts.
Round 12: Ch 1 , sc in same st as join, sc in each remaining sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 13 (Lg-shell round): Ch 1 , sc in same st as join, [skip next 2 sc, Lg-shell in next sc, skip next 2 sc, sc in next sc] 6 times, skip next 2 sc, Lg-shell in next sc, skip next 2 sc; join with slip st in first sc-7 Lg-shells.
Round 14: Ch 1, sc in same st as join, skipping all of the dc sts, 2 sc in each of next 4 ch-1 spaces, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in each of next 4 ch-1 spaces; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-63 sc.
Fasten off.

## FINISHING HAT

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain; dc = double crochet; sc = single crochet; $\mathrm{st}(\mathrm{s})=$ stitch (es); tr = treble (triple) crochet; ( ) = work directions in parentheses into same st; [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * $=$ repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

