

# Little Squares Crocheted Baby Hat

for preemies and newborns

## needed:

for med preemie : crochet hook, size US F and US G  
approx ½ ounce baby yarn in 2 colors

for newborn: crochet hook, size US G and US H  
approx ½ ounce DK yarn in 2 colors

all sizes: a small amount of coordinating color for trim (CC)

**all yarn requirements are approximate**

## abbreviations

### & techniques:

**beg:** beginning

**BP:** back post

**CC:** contrasting colour

**ch:** chain stitch

**ch-X:** refers to a chain

or space previously

made, e.g., ch-1 space

**dc:** double crochet

**FP:** front post

**hdc:** half double cro-  
chet

**incr:** work 2 st in next st

**MC:** main colour

**rnd(s):** round(s)

**prev:** previous

**sc:** single crochet

**sk:** skip

**sl st:** slip stitch

**sp:** space

**st(s):** stitch(es)

**tr:** treble

**color changes:** work st until 2 loops remain on hook. Pull new color through remaining loops. Carry non-working thread loosely across back of work.

## instructions:

with MC ch 4. join with first chain to make a circle.

1: sl st into circle. Ch 3 (serves as 1 dc). work 14 dc in circle. Sl st in top of ch 3.

(15 dc in circle)

2: with CC, sl st into the space between the ch 3 in prev row and the **last** DC of the rnd. sc in same space. (ch 4, skip 3 dc, sc in space between the next 2 dcs of the previous row) 5 times. sl st in top of sc.

(5 loops)

3: with MC, sl st in first ch 4 space. ch 3. 5 dc in same loop. (6 dc in next ch 4 loop) 4 times. (30 dc on rnd)

4: with CC, sl st into the space between the ch 3 in prev row and the **last** DC of the rnd. sc in same space. (Ch 3, skip 3 dc, sc in space between the next 2 dcs of the previous row) 10 times. Sl st in top of sc.

(10 loops)

5: with MC, sl st in first ch 4 space. ch 3. 5 dc in same loop. (6 dc in next ch 4 loop) 9 times. (60 dc on rnd)

6: with CC, sl st into the space between the ch 3 in prev row and the **last** DC of the rnd. sc in same space. (ch 2, skip 3 dc, sc in space between the next 2 dcs of the previous row) 20 times. sl st in top of sc.

(20 loops)

7: with MC, sl st in first ch 2 space. ch 3. 2 dc in same loop. (3 dc in next ch 4 loop) 19 times. (60 dc on rnd)

repeat rnds 6 and 7 two more times  
(11 rnds total)

## cuff:

with F hook and MC (for a plain cuff, use CC and end w/rnd 10)

12: ch 2. FP hdc in next st, BP hdc in next st, around (creates ribbing).  
sl st in top of ch 2.

10: repeat rnd 9. break off.

13: with G hook and CC, sl st into the space between the ch 3 in prev row and the **last** DC of the rnd. sc in same space. (Ch 2, skip 3 dc, sc in space

between the next 2 dcs of the previous row) 20 times. Sl st in top of ch 1.

(20 loops)

turn work. remaining sts will be worked from the "wrong" side of the hat.

14: in first loop work 1 sc, 1 hdc, 1 dc, 1 tr. create sl st to front post with rows directly above. (fig 1). In the next ch loop and working from above (fig 2), work 1 tr, 1 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc. 1 shell completed. Repeat around. (10 shells.)

tie off. weave in ends.



yarn used in picture: Bernat Baby Soft, Patons Astra DK



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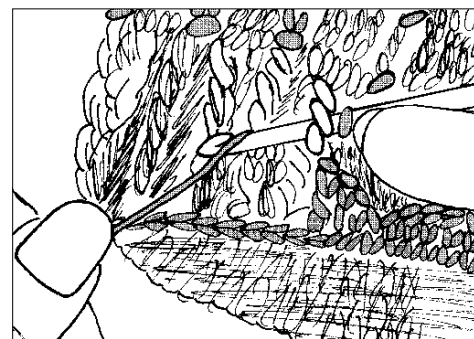


fig 1

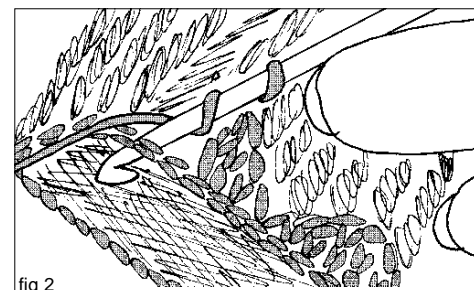


fig 2

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