



## Cabbage Patch Hat

### Materials:

I hook  
Preferred Yarn: Red heart dark brown, light brown, yellow or beige  
Tapestry needle  
Scissors  
Ribbon (optional)  
Measuring tape (to check gauge)

### Skill level: Intermediate



Intermediate / Intermédiaire / Intermedio

**Intermediate** Projects using a variety of techniques, such as basic lace patterns or color patterns, mid-level shaping and finishing.

### Gauge:

With I hook:  
2" x 2" square = 7 hdc x 5 rows

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**A Note about Gauge:** For those of you who do not understand how gauge works, or are looking to learn more on the subject, I have written a very helpful blog on gauge that has proved helpful when trying to figure out how big/small of a hook/yarn to use. If you still need help after you've browsed this, please let me know and I will try to help in any way that I can. <http://articlesofadomesticgoddess.com/2014/05/matching-gauge-and-why-it-is-so-important/>

**A Note about Technique (The Golden Loop Method):** This is not just for amigurumi items; it will help in ALL areas where crochet is involved. (Although, it helps most with amigurumi because of the nature of tight stitching.) I know I often hear of people having trouble "making their stitches tight enough" or they frequently have problems matching gauge (even if their items turn out okay on sizing, it doesn't necessarily mean there isn't improvement to be made.) I too had many problems when learning to create amigurumi objects when I first started out. I have written a helpful blog that should help to pinpoint the areas that need improvement so that you, too, can create beautiful amigurumi items. There is ALWAYS room for improvements to be made, no matter how long you have been crocheting. Later, you will notice that all items are improved by using this easy method! If you still need help after you've browsed this, please let me know and I will try to help in any way that I can. <http://articlesofadomesticgoddess.com/2014/04/amigurumi-technique-that-will-always-work-and-will-change-the-way-you-crochet-forever/>

### Abbreviations:

**A Note about Stitches:** When I first started, I had to look up stitches every time I started a new project. I have compiled some of the videos and articles I used to walk me through the basic stitches (and some others) in a blog on my website. They are the best I've found around the internet, all compiled in one spot for ease. <http://articlesofadomesticgoddess.com/2014/03/learn-to-crochet-a-compilation-of-the-best-walk-throughs-on-the-internet-for-learning-to-crochet/>

MC - Magic Circle

For a tutorial on the magic circle, visit my blog at the following link:

<http://articlesofadomesticgoddess.com/2014/03/magic-circle-tutorial/>

CH - Chain

ST; STS - Stitch or stitches

HDC - Half Double Crochet

LS - Loop Stitch

SLST - Slip Stitch

FO - Fasten Off

X after a number = number of stitches to work in after current stitch (ex: sc 2X = sc in next two stitches)

**Tips:** Ch 1 turning chain at the beginning of the round does not count as first stitch.  
First stitch in the round will be in the same stitch as the turning chain.

### **Important tid-bit about the loop stitch:**

*First, let me share with you what I learned about the loop stitch... it's a pain, lol but hopefully I can help by sharing the easiest way I have found and you won't have to go do all the searching I did. The only HARD part about the loop stitch is to make all the loops the same length. I created a video that walks you through the HDC Loop Stitch. Usually I am a proponent for written patterns, but this one in particular is easier to comprehend once you've seen it completed.*

**The trick that I've found** to getting the same length on every stitch, is after you complete a loop, put that completed loop BACK on your finger when creating the next loop to help guide you. Even a beginner can do the loop stitch easily using this little trick.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X\\_0vP8HGT84&list=UUbyID1pXkKAcZpYI20ebkgA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X_0vP8HGT84&list=UUbyID1pXkKAcZpYI20ebkgA)

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## Hat Sizing:

The following is a general hat sizing guide to ensure that your beanie will fit the person that you are making it for. If you have any doubts about the fit, this should help to ensure sizing. I test my patterns thoroughly and I want to ensure that any item made from my patterns will fit and this is the best way I know how to do this. This chart is based on average sizing for these ages. Please note: It is always helpful to measure if at all possible. MOST people measure within the parameters for their age group. However, if you take a look, the largest measurement for a child size is 21 inches and children grow. For a child with a large head, it might be better to make the teen size for them. Some adults measure with smaller heads and measure 20 inches. For those, I would do a teen length beanie. If you measure and find that your child measures larger/smaller, then they are probably not within these sizing parameters and you need to make a different size for them. Also note that children grow! Use your best judgment. If you need help I am always available and nothing is silly. I want your item to work!

Diameter = the diameter of the circle that is created before you stop increasing rows and start crocheting one stitch in each st around.

Height = when hat is laid flat, measurement from top to bottom.

-This is sizing before ear flaps are put on by the way ☺

Age	Head Circumference	Diameter	Height
Newborn	11.5 – 13 inches	3 - 4 inches	5 inches
0-3 Months	13 – 15 inches	4.5 - 5 inches	5 – 5.5 inches
3-6 Months	14 – 16 inches	5 - 5.5 inches	5.5 – 6 inches
6-12 Months	16 – 18 inches	5.5 – 6 inches	6 – 6.5 inches
Toddler (1-3 years)	17 – 20 inches	6 – 6.25 inches	6.5 - 7 inches
Child (3-10 years)	18 – 21 inches	6.25 – 6.5 inches	7 inches
Teen (10 years – Adult)	21 – 22 inches	6.5 – 7 inches	8 inches
Adult	22 – 24 inches	7 – 7.5 inches	9 inches

## Hat Start:

With Brown and I Hook

- Round 1: Ch 1, 9 hdc in mc, join to top of first hdc (9)  
 Round 2: Ch 1, (2 hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (18)  
 Round 3: Ch 1, (hdc, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (27)  
 Round 4: Ch 1, (hdc 2X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (36)

### SEE DESIRED SIZE BELOW

*(Please take a look at sizing chart above to determine what size to make.)*

### NB/0-3 months:

Round 5: Ch 1, hdc in each st around, join to top of first hdc (36)

Repeat Round 5 until hat reaches 4 inches for nb, 4.5 for 0-3 months, from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (36) FO

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**3-6 months:**

Round 5: Ch 1, (hdc 3X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Round 6: Ch 1, hdc in each st around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Repeat Round 6 until hat reaches 4.5 – 5 inches from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (45) FO

**6-12 months:**

Round 5: Ch 1, (hdc 3X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Round 6: Ch 1, (hdc 8X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (50)

Round 7: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc, join to top of first hdc (50)

Repeat Round 7 until hat reaches 5 – 5.5 inches from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (50) FO

**Toddler:**

Round 5: Ch 1, (hdc 3X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Round 6: Ch 1, (hdc 4X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (54)

Round 7: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc, join to top of first hdc (54)

Repeat Round 7 until hat reaches 5.5 - 6 inches from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (54) FO

**Child:**

Round 5: Ch 1, (hdc 3X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Round 6: Ch 1, (hdc 4X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (54)

Round 7: Ch 1, (hdc 17X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (57)

Round 8: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc, join to top of first hdc (57)

Repeat Round 8 until hat reaches 6 – 6.5 inches from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (57) FO

**Teen – Small Adult:**

Round 5: Ch 1, (hdc 3X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Round 6: Ch 1, (hdc 4X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (54)

Round 7: Ch 1, (hdc 5X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (63)

Round 8: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc, join to top of first hdc (63)

Repeat Round 8 until hat reaches 6.5 inches for teen – 7 inches for adult from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (63) FO

**Large Adult:**

Round 5: Ch 1, (hdc 3X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (45)

Round 6: Ch 1, (hdc 4X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (54)

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Round 7: Ch 1, (hdc 5X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (63)

Round 8: Ch 1, (hdc 6X, 2hdc), Repeat () around, join to top of first hdc (72)

Round 9: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc, join to top of first hdc (72)

Repeat Round 9 until hat reaches 7 - 8 inches from top to bottom and turn

Last 4 rounds: Ch 1, ls in each st around, join to top of first ls (72) FO

### Braids:

Cut (40) 18 inch strands for Newborn to toddler sized hats. Cut (50) 24 inch strands for Child to adult sized hats. Fold strands in half. Tie a piece of yarn around the exact center fold. Sew onto hat using the tied string. See pictures for placement. Separate into three sections and braid, tie the ends with another piece of yarn. Hold them up to each other and cut ends to even them out. Tie ribbon around the places that you tied the braids with yarn.



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