Nautical Baby Hat US



Materials:

Dk weight yarn in as many colours as you like, and a 4mm hook.

Pattern:

The pattern is for a newborn sized hat (15 inches circumference) – adjust as indicated for larger sizes.

Begin with a magic ring (or ch4 and join to make a ring).

R1: ch2 (counts as dc), 11dc in ring, join with a sl-st, pull ring closed (12sts)

R2: ch2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, (2dc) in next stitch 11 times, join with a sl-st (24sts)

R3: ch2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, *dc, (2dc), repeat from * 10 more times, dc, join with a sl-st (36sts)

R3: ch2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, *2dc, (2dc), repeat from * 10 more times, 2dc, join with a sl-st (48sts)

R4: ch2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, *3dc, (2dc), repeat from * 10 more times, 3dc, join with a sl-st (60sts)

R5: ch2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, *4dc, (2dc), repeat from * 10 more times, 4dc, join with a sl-st (72sts)

Add another round (or two) continuing in increase pattern if you are making this for a baby (18.5 inches) or child (21inches).

R6: ch1 (does not count as a stitch), sc in same st, sc, *ch3, sk 3 sts, 3sc, repeat from * until 4 sts remain, ch3, sk 3 sts, sc, join to first st with a s-st (72 sts)

R7: ch1 (does not count as a stitch), sc in same st, *(5dc) in next ch sp, sk 1 st, sc, repeat from* around omitting final sc and joining to first st with a sl-st.

For stripes as pictured, change colour here. Join the yarn to the centre dc of a group of 5 and skip the sl-sts at the start of round 8.

R8: sl-st 3 times so that you are working this round beginning from the centre dc of a group of 5. Now repeat round 6 – your sc sts will be made in the centre 3 dc sts of the groups of 5 dc's. (72sts)

R9: Repeat R7.

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Fasten off and weave in ends. Make an applique heart, flower, or butterfly, and sew onto the hat: http://makemydaycreative.com/2015/01/10/hanging-hearts/

Continue to repeat rounds 8 and 9 until the hat is long enough, changing colours as desired.