

Ruse - A Cloche-Inspired Crochet Hat by Michelle W. of <http://chelle-chelle.com>



Materials:

Worsted weight yarn in 2 colours (Main Colour [MC] and Contrasting Colour [CC])
5.00mm crochet hook (US H/8)
Yarn needle
Stitch markers (for counting)

Notes:

I used Nashua Handknits Creative Focus Superwash (50% merino, 50% wool) in CFSW.0044 Bright Fushia (CC) and a dark pewter gray (not official colour name; colour #29) (MC).

Any worsted weight (4) yarn should work fine in this pattern. I used less than 100g of MC and you could probably get away with using leftovers for the CC.

Due to the need to be able to see the stitches, 'fun fur' style yarns are not recommended. I recommend the use of solid coloured yarns for the classic cloche look.

Gauge:

3 hdc per 1" or 6 hdc per 5cm

Sizing:

Measure the circumference of your head (measure it right around your head, above your ears).

I've done the math for three different sizes (S, M and L for women's hat sizes) at 21.25", 22" and 24".

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If the circumference is 54cm (21.25") – work pattern as directed.

Circumference of 56cm (22") - you will want to have 80 st around.

After round 7:

ch 1, *hdc in 6 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (80 st)

Continue with the rest of the pattern.

Circumference of 61cm (24") - you will want to have 100 st around.

After round 7:

ch 1, *hdc in 6 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (80 st)

ch 1, *hdc in 7 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (90 st)

ch 1, *hdc in 8 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (100 st)

Continue with the rest of the pattern.

Abbreviations:

ch - Chain

hdc - Half double crochet

st - Stitch

dc - Double crochet

sc - Single crochet

ss - Slip stitch

F/O - Fasten off

Directions:

Cloche (in MC)

At the end of each round, join with sl st before beginning next round.

Round 1: ch 1, 10 hdc in ring (10)

Round 2: ch 1, 2 hdc in each st around (20)

Round 3: ch 1, *hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st* (30)

Round 4: ch 1, *hdc in 2 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (40)

Round 5: ch 1, *hdc in 3 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (50)

Round 6: ch 1, *hdc in 4 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (60)

Round 7: ch 1, *hdc in 5 next st, 2 hdc in next st* (70)

Round 8-17: ch 1, work even in hdc (70) (80) (100)

Round 18: ch 2, work even in dc (70) (80) (100)

Round 19: ch 1, work even in sc (70) (80) (100)

Round 20: ch 1, *sc 1, 2 sc in next st* (105) (120) (150)

Round 21: ch 1, work even in sc (105) (120) (150)

Round 22: ch 1, work even in sc (105) (120) (150)

Round 23: ch 1, work even in sc (105) (120) (150)

F/O

"Ribbon" (in CC)

Ch 140-190 length is dependent on how long you'd like the ribbon to look (and how you will be tying it)
Ss into back loop of ch across
F/O

Weave "ribbon" through round 18 (the row of dc).

This can be done in many ways - I did over 3 dc, under 1 dc all the way around the cloche. Keep the ends even and tie in a bow.

Alternatives: Use ribbon in place of crocheted ribbon (cutting the ribbon ends at an angle helps to prevent fraying).

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