

Slouchy Twist Beanie

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A video Tutorial is also available on my YouTube ChanneL Wendy Poole, Knit, Stitch and Crochet



MATERIALS

Yarn:- 100 grams of (UK weight) Double Knitting Yarn, (Total of 280 metres). I've used Hayfield Bonus Breeze Double Knitting Yarn. Shade 0482 (Atlantis).

Hook, 4mm Hook. 2 Stitch markers.

MEASUREMENTS to fit a female average size head of approximately 22" circumference. This can easily be adapted to bigger or smaller, although you will need to allow extra yarn for a larger hat.

<u>TENSION = Worked using (UK) half treble stitch. (USA) Half Single Crochet.</u> Width:- 20 stitches = 10cm. Length:- 14 rows = 10cm.

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Please note: It is worth placing a stitch marker in the 1st stitch of each row, immediately after working that 1st stitch.

This will show you where to make the final stitch in the next row.

You will only need 2 markers to do this. Plus count your stitches at the end of rows, to ensure you maintain 73 stitches.



A paperclip or piece of yarn in a different colour can be used as an alternative to a stitchmarker.





Half Treble Decrease: I have written this out in 3 stages.

- 1. Yarn over hook, then insert hook through both sides of the stitch, yarn over hook and draw the hook back to front of the work. (You will have 3 stitches on your hook).
- 2. With the three stitches still on your hook, make another *yarn over hook* and insert the hook through both sides of the next stitch. Yarn over the hook again and draw the hook back to the front of the work. (You will have 5 stitches on your hook).
- 3. Finally, make one last Yarn over hook and draw back through all the loops on your hook to one stitch.



<u>INSTRUCTIONS</u>

FOUNDATION CHAIN: Make 74 chain loosely, this needs to measure approximately 15" (38cm) so if this is tight, go up a hook size to just make your chain.



Note: The 1 chain made at the end of a row is called a "Turning Chain" and is not counted as a stitch.

FOUNDATION ROW:- Miss 1st chain from hook and work 1 half treble in each chain space to the end. 73 stitches total. Make 1 chain to turn.

ROW 1:- Miss the 1 turning chain just made.

Make 1 "Half Treble Decrease" across the first 2 stitches, (working through both sides of the stitch). *Place a stitch marker in the top of the stitch just made.*

Then work 1 half treble into the **back loop only of each stitch** until you reach the last stitch in the row. (This is where you placed your stitch marker).

Work 2 half trebles in that last stitch (working through both sides of the stitch) and remove the stitch marker.

Make 1 turning chain.

ROW 2:- Miss the 1 turning chain just made.

Work 2 half trebles in the first stitch, (working through both sides of the stitch).

Place a stitch marker in the top of the 1st of the 2 stitches just made.

Then work 1 half treble into the **back loop of each stitch** until you reach the last 2 stitches in the row. (The last stitch is where you placed your stitch marker in the previous row).

Work 1 half treble decrease across the last 2 stitches (working through both sides of the stitch) and remove the stitch marker.

Make 1 turning chain.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until the side edge of your work measures 20". For me this was 58 rows, but may vary according to your tension.

Count the stitches in each row regularly, to ensure you maintain 73 stitches in each row.

Do not make the turning chain at the end of your final row, just fasten off after your last stitch.



CROWN: Rejoin yarn to the corner of one of the side edges.

Work 1 row of double crochet along one of the longer side edges, making one stitch in every second row. This will then help to gather up the crown of the hat. Fasten off, leaving enough yarn to make a running stitch around through this row of double crochet just made.

Sew up the back seam of the hat.

Sew a running stitch around the top of the crown - through the row of double crochet just worked. Pull tight and fasten off.

My YouTube Video shows you how to do this, if you need more guidance.

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