

Puff Stitch Slouch Hat

Designed by Clare Sullivan

Video tutorial –
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GwcXsW0Nf2
M



8ply / sports weight yarn (will also work with worsted weight/ 10 ply)

4mm/G hook

Yarn needle

Scissors



Special stitches:

Puff stitch: (yarn over, insert hook into stitch and pull up a loop) 5 times, yarn over and pull through all the loops on the hook. ch1

This pattern will NOT make a snug fitting hat, this will be a big slouchy hat

Mathematical formula to make your hat fit

Head circumference measurement divided by 3.14 = the measurement from 1 edge to the other. Keep increasing until you have that measurement

For example:

- 58cm divided by 3.14 = 18 cm (The answer is 18.4cm, you need to round down your answer to nearest whole number)
- Keep increasing the hat crown until it is 18cm
- The formula will also work for inches
- Chain 3 DOES NOT count as a stitch

Chain 4, join with a slip stitch into the 1st chain to make a ring

Round 1: Chain 3, 12 dc into ring, join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

Round 2: Chain 3, 2 double crochets into the same stitch, 2 double crochets in each stitch around, join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

Round 3: Chain 3, 1 double crochet into the same stitch, 2 double crochets into the next stitch, *1 double crochet into the next stitch, 2 double crochets into the next stitch* repeat from * to * around, join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

<u>Round 4:</u> Chain 3, 1 double crochet into the same stitch, 1 double crochet into the next stitch, 2 double crochets into the next stitch, *1 double crochet into the next 2 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch* repeat from * to * around , join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

<u>Round 5:</u> Chain 3, 1 double crochet into the same stitch, 1 double crochet into the next 2 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch, *1 double crochet into the next 3 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch* repeat from * to * around , join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

If you are making an infant hat check your measurements for your hat to make sure you have made enough increase rounds

<u>Round 6:</u> Chain 3, 1 double crochet into the same stitch, 1 double crochet into the next 3 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch, *1 double crochet into the next 4 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch* repeat from * to * around , join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

Check your measurements for your hat to make sure you have made enough increase rounds

If you need another increase round follow next row if not ignore the next row

<u>Round 7:</u> Chain 3, 1 double crochet into the same stitch, 1 double crochet into the next 5 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch, *1 double crochet into the next 5 stitches, 2 double crochets into the next stitch* repeat from * to * around , join with a slip stitch into the 1st double crochet

You can swap the next 2 rounds around as much as you like, round 1 is the puff stich and round 2 is the dc round

Puff Stitch rounds

Note: You can alternate your rounds of Puff Stitch rounds and plain DC rounds however you like. Example: You can do 2 rounds of puff stitch and 2 rounds of DC, or 1 round of Puff st and 2 rounds of DC. However you like.

Round 1: CH3 (counts as a stitch) puff stitch into next stitch (yarn over, insert hook into st, pull up a loop x5, yarn over and pull through all the loops. ch1), 1 DC in next st, 1 puff st in next st, 1 DC in next st. *1 puff st into the next st, 1 DC into the next st* repeat from *to* to the end.(your last stitch of the round should be a puff stitch) SI ST to the top of the CH3 to join.

Round 2: CH 3 (counts as a stitch) 1 DC into the next st and in each st around. (DC into DC stitch from the row below and DC into the puff stitch from the row below). SL ST to the top of the CH 3 to join.

Keep alternating the last 2 rows until your hat is the length you would like it. If you would like it to be really slouchy you just need to add more rounds.

Band:

If your band is still too big you can do an optional rounds of SC and that will bring it in a bit. If it is still too big you drop a hook size or two.

Round 1: CH3, DC into the top of the puff st (if you ended your hat on a DC round then DC into next st) DC into the DC of previous round, DC into each st around. SL ST into the top of the CH 3 to join.

Repeat round 1 until your band in the length you want your hat

Optional SC Round:

Round 1: 1 SC into same stitch as joining from last round, SC into each stitch around. SI ST into the 1st SC to join.

If your hat is still too big you can drop down to an even smaller hook and continue with your SC rounds.

Thank you for choosing my pattern

Happy crochet

Clare xx