

Pop Top Preemie Hat

med preemie with adj for large preemie/newborn in parenthesis

materials & gauge:

- ♥ US E crochet hook
or size necessary to achieve gauge
- ♥ sock yarn: 1 ounce
- ♥ ¾" - 1" button (no shank-style, please)
gauge: 10 hdc = 2"

all yarn requirements are approximate

abbreviations:

bp: back post	hdc: half double crochet
ch: chain	sc: single crochet
dc: double crochet	sl st: slip stitch
fp: front post	

yarn used in picture: Bernat Sox



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instructions:

Ch 66 (72,78) and join to form a circle.

- ♥ ch 3 (counts as dc). dc in each st around. sl st in top of to join.
- ♥ sl st in top of next stitch. ch 3. *fp dc in next stitch. bp dc in next st. repeat from * around. sl st in top of ch-3 to join.
- ♥ sl st in top of next st. ch 3. *fp dc in next st. bp dc in next st. repeat from * around. sl st in top of ch-3 to join.
- ♥ next 3 (4, 5) rounds: sl st in top of next st. ch 2. hdc in each stitch. sl st in top of ch-3 to join.

petals:

- ♥ sl st in top of next st. ch 2. hdc in next 10 (11, 12) st. Ch 2. turn repeat 1 (2, 3) times.
- ♥ sl st between next 2 st in the previous round. hdc between next 2 st. repeat across. stitch count will reduce by 2 sts. repeat previous row until 5 (6, 5) sts remain. ch 9, sl st to last st on rw to create a loop

repeat the petal steps 5 times (6 petals created). on last petal do not make loop, clip and tie off.

finishing:

weave in all ends.

using dental floss or matching yarn, securely sew the button to center of the edge of the petal without a chain loop.

using the chain loop as a button hole, "button" each petal to the top of the hat.



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