



Pay-it-Forward Pussy Hat

#M17-002
Free



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SKILL LEVEL:

Easy

HAT CIRCUMFERENCE

Size	Yarn Weight	
	Worsted	Sport
X-Small	16½"	13½"
Small	18"	14¾"
Medium	19½"	16"
Large	21"	17¼"

Instructions are written for size X-Small with changes for Small, Medium, and Large in {braces} unless noted otherwise. If only one number is given, it applies to all sizes.

MATERIALS

Worsted Wt. Yarn:

- Main Color (MC) – 100 {125, 160, 200} yds. 91 {114, 146, 183} m
- Contrasting Color (CC) – 45 {50, 55, 60} yds. 41 {46, 50, 55} m
- Size G (4.25 mm) crochet hook

Sport Wt. Yarn:

- Main Color (MC) – 90 {110, 135, 165} yds. 83 {101, 123, 151} m
 - Contrasting Color (CC) – 35 {40, 45, 50} yds. 32 {37, 41, 46} m
 - Size E (3.50 mm) crochet hook
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

Working in sc using a G hook:

17 sc = 4"

20 rows = 4"

SPECIAL STITCHES

- **tr** – yo twice, insert hook in specified st, yo, pull up loop, (yo, pull thru 2 loops on hook) 3 times
- **dtr** – yo 3 times, insert hook in specified st, yo, pull up loop, (yo, pull thru 2 loops on hook) 4 times



RIBBING

Row 1:

Using CC and leaving a long length of thread for sewing, ch 9 {9, 10, 10}, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 7 {7, 8, 8} ch, ch 1, turn.

8 {8, 9, 9} sc made.

Row 2:

Working in back loops only, sc in each sc across, ch 1, turn.

8 {8, 9, 9} sc made.

Rows 3 – 63 {71, 79, 87}:

Rep Row 2.

Row 64 {72, 80, 88}:

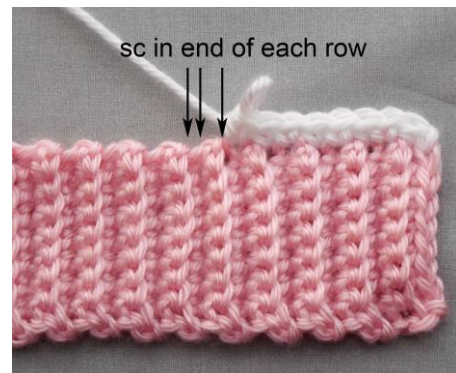
Working in back loops only, sc in each of next 7 {7, 8, 8} sc, sc in last sc changing to MC in last loop, ch 1, rotate work clockwise 1/4 turn to work across ends of rows.

HAT

Rnd 1 (RS):

Sc in end of each row across ribbing (see photo), join with sl st in beg sc of this rnd. Do not turn.

64 {72, 80, 88} sc made.



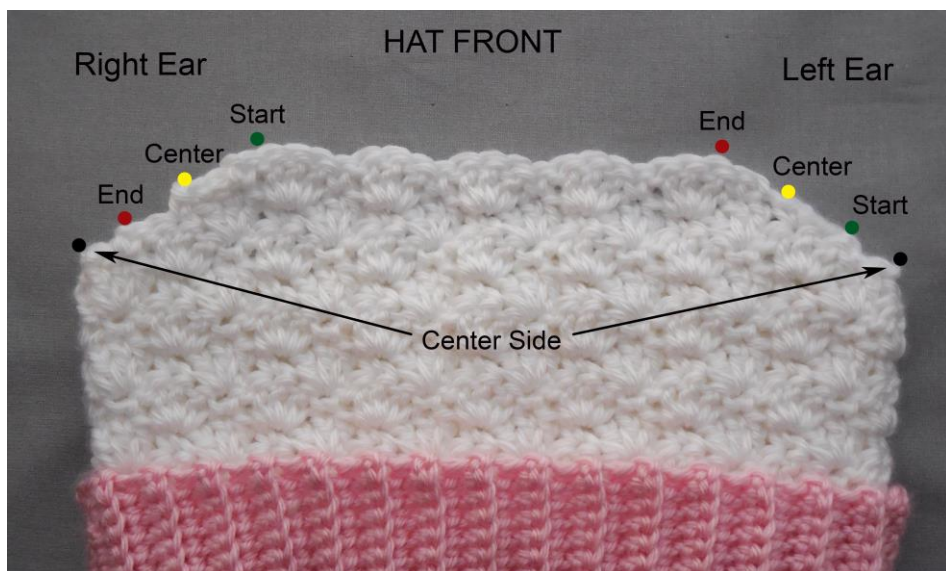
Rnd 2 (RS):

Ch 1, sc in same st, sk next sc, 3 dc in next sc, sk next sc, *sc in next sc, sk next sc, 3 dc in next sc, sk next sc,* rep from * to * around, join with sl st in beg sc, ch 3, turn.

48 {54, 60, 66} dc made, and 16 {18, 20, 22} sc made.

Rnd 3 (WS):

Dc in same st as ch 3 made, sk next dc, *sc in next dc, sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc,* rep from * to * 14 {16, 18, 20} times, sc in next dc, sk next dc, dc in same st as beg ch 3 made, join with sl st in top of beg ch 3, ch 1, turn.



Rnd 4 (RS):

Sc in sl st, *sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc, † sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 14 {16, 18, 20} times, then from * to † once, join with sl st in beg sc, ch 3, turn.

Rnds 5 - 8 {10, 12, 14}:

Rep Rnds 3 and 4 – 2 {3, 4, 5} more times.

Rnd 9 {11, 13, 15}:

Rep Rnd 3 once more.

Rnd 10 {12, 14, 16}:

Sc in sl st – mark sc just made for Center Side, indicated by ● on photo on page 1, *sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc, † sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 7 {8, 9, 10} times – mark last sc made for Center Side, indicated by ● on photo, rep from * to * 7 {8, 9, 10} times, then from * to † once, join with sl st in beg sc, turn.



Hat Front

Row 11 {13, 15, 17}:

Sl st in next dc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next dc, *sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc, sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 6 {7, 8, 9} times, turn. Leave remaining sts unworked for Hat Back.

Mark first and last sc of this row for Ear Start (●)/End (●), see photo on page 1.

Row 12 {14, 16, 18}:

Sl st in next dc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next dc, *sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc, sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 5 {6, 7, 8} times, turn.

Mark first and last sc of this row for Ear Center (●), see photo on page 1.

Row 13 {15, 17 19}:

Sl st in next dc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next dc, *sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc, sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 4 {5, 6, 7} times, turn. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Mark first and last dc of this row for Ear Start (●)/End (●), see photo on page 1.

Hat Back

Row 11 {13, 15, 17}:

With WS facing and continuing in unworked sts of Rnd 10 {12, 14, 16}, sk marked sc for Center Side and next dc, join Color MC with sc in next dc, *sk next dc, 3 dc in sc, sk next dc, sc in next dc,* rep from * to * 6 {7, 8, 9} times, turn.

Mark first and last sc of this row for Ear Start (●)/End (●), see photo on page 1.

Row 12 {14, 16, 18}:

Rep Row 12 {14, 16, 18} of Hat Front.

Row 13 {15, 17, 19}:

Rep Row 13 {15, 17, 19} of Hat Front.



LEFT EAR FRONT

With RS facing, join CC with sl st in sc marked for Ear Start, (3 tr, 3 dtr, 3 tr) in sc marked for Ear Center, sl st in dc marked for Ear End. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

RIGHT EAR FRONT

With RS facing, join CC with sl st in next marked dc for Ear Start, (3 tr, 3 dtr, 3 tr) in sc marked for Ear

Center, sl st in sc marked for Ear End. Fasten off. Weave in ends.



RIGHT EAR BACK

With RS facing, join MC with sl st in sc marked for Ear Start, (3 tr, 3 dtr, 3 tr) in sc marked for Ear Center, sl st in dc marked for Ear End. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

LEFT EAR BACK

With RS facing, join MC with sl st in next marked dc for Ear Start, (3 tr, 3 dtr, 3 tr) in sc marked for Ear Center, sl st in sc marked for Ear End. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

TOP BORDER

With RS facing, join MC with sc in dc to the left of either sc marked for Center Side,

- a. *sc in next dc,
 - b. ♥sc in each of 1st 2 tr of Ear, hdc in each of next 2 sts of Ear, 5 dc in next st, hdc in each of next 2 sts, sc in each of rem 2 sts of Ear,♥
 - c. sc in next unworked dc of hat, [sk next dc, (dc, hdc, dc) in sc, sk next dc, sc in next dc] 4 {5, 6, 7} times,
 - d. rep from ♥ to ♥ (step b) once, sc in same dc as sc marked for Ear End was made,*
 - e. insert hook in next dc, yo, pull up loop, sk Center Side sc, insert hook in next dc, yo, pull up loop, yo, pull thru all loops on hook,
- rep from * to * (steps a to d) once, insert hook in next dc, yo, pull up loop, insert hook in beg sc, yo, pull

thru all loops on hook. Fasten off leaving a long length of thread for sewing.

FINISHING

Turn hat inside out, flattening hat in half and matching the stitches of the Hat Front and Hat Back. Using tapestry needle and remaining length of yarn from Top Border, sew hat together across top of ears and hat. Using remaining length of yarn from Ribbing, sew ends of Ribbing together. Weave in ends. Turn hat right side out. Fold ribbing up to RS of hat.

EAR ACCENT

Make slip knot with MC. Matching sts of Left Ear Front and Back, insert hook from front to back, thru both thicknesses, in 1st tr of Ear, pull end of slip knot thru to front, [insert hook in next st of Ear from front to back, yo, pull loop thru to front] 8 times, cut yarn and pull end thru to front on last st. With tapestry needle, pull end thru to back of Ear making sure yarn is on outside of last loop. Weave in ends. *Refer to photo on page 2 for Left Ear Front.*

Repeat Ear Accent for Right Ear.



ABBREVIATIONS:

begbeginning
ch(s).....chain(s)
dcdouble crochet
dtrdouble treble
hdchalf double crochet
rem.....remaining
rep.....repeat
rndround
RSright side
scsingle crochet
skskip
sl stslip stitch
spspace
st(s).....stitch(es)
trtreble
WS.....wrong side
yo.....yarn over

NOTES:

Worsted wt. yarn used for models was Caron Simply Soft in the following colors:

- White (#9701)
- Soft Pink (#9719)
- Strawberry (#0015)
- Watermelon (#9604)
- Fuchsia (#9764)

Sport wt. yarn used for models was Knit Picks Shine Sport in the following colors:

- White (#24486)
- Blush (#23614)
- Cosmopolitan (#25344)
- Crocus (#25332)
- Serenade (#24487)



Hats shown made with worsted weight yarn, Large (top) to X-Small (bottom).



Hats shown made with sport weight yarn, Large (top) to X-Small (bottom).