



Dad's Plaid Flat Cap

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Difficulty: Easy pattern. You need to have knowledge of half double crochet (hdc), slip stitch (sl st), and both increases and decreases.

Gauge

7 sts x 5 rows in hdc = 2" x 2"

Adjust hook size to achieve gauge

Measurements

Fits a 24" head

Supplies

- I (5.5 mm) hook
- *Red Heart With Love*, 100% acrylic, worsted weight, 370 yds/ 7 oz / 198 g per ball, 1 skein, Black (BLK).
- Yarn Needle
- Straight Pins
- Stitch marker or stitch saver (safety pins work as well)

Pattern Notes

- Ch 2 at beginning of row does NOT count as hdc.
- When working down long edge, hdc in the end of each row, either around the ch-2 or around the last hdc of the respective row.

Special Stitches

Surface st: Hold yarn on back side of work and hook on front side. Insert hook from front to back, pull up a loop, *insert hook into next st, pull up a loop, pull through loop on hook; repeat from * as desired.

Instructions

Flat Top

With BLK, ch 18.

Row 1: Hdc in 3rd ch from hook (*see Pattern Notes*), 15 hdc, turn. (16)

Row 2: Ch 2, hdc inc, 14 hdc, hdc inc, turn. (18)

Row 3: Ch 2, hdc inc, 16 hdc, hdc inc, turn. (20)

Row 4: Ch 2, hdc inc, 18 hdc, hdc inc, turn. (22)

Rows 5-25: ch 2, 22 hdc, turn.

Do not cut yarn.

Sides

Now working in rounds around edge.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, 22 hdc, **25 hdc on long edge** (*see Pattern Notes*), 16 hdc on underside of starting ch, 25 hdc on long edge, sl st in 1st st to join, turn. (88)

Rnds 2-6: Ch 2, 88 hdc, sl st in 1st st to join, turn.

Rnd 7: Ch 2, [2 hdc, hdc dec] 22 times, sl st in 1st st to join, turn. (66)

Rnd 8: Ch 2, 66 hdc, sl st in 1st st to join, turn.

Do not cut yarn.

Brim

Now working in rows, parallel to Row 25 of flat top..

Row 1: Ch 2, [2 hdc, hdc inc] 5 times, 2 hdc, turn. (22)

Rows 2-3: Ch 2, 22 hdc, turn.
Row 4: Ch 2, hdc dec, 18 hdc, hdc dec, turn. (20)
Row 5: Ch 2, hdc dec, 16 hdc, hdc dec, turn. (18)
Rows 6-7: Ch 2, 18 hdc, turn.
Row 8: Ch 2, hdc inc, 16 hdc, hdc inc, turn. (20)
Row 9: Ch 2, hdc inc, 18 hdc, hdc inc, turn. (22)
Rows 10-11: Ch 2, 22 hdc, turn.
Row 12: ch 2, [2 hdc, hdc dec] 5 times, 2 hdc. (17)
Bind off.

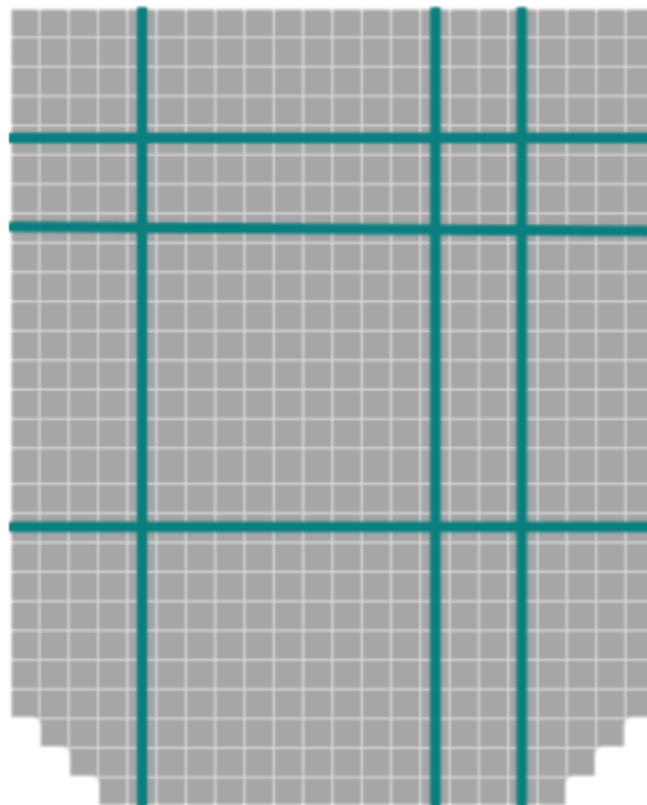
Fold brim between rows 6 and 7, with rows 1 and 12 together. Pin in place.

Working through both layers of work, sl st at folded point of brim, in same space, 5 sc down side of brim, 49 sc around exposed sts of Round 8 of hat, working through both layers of work, 6 sc up other side of brim. Bind off and weave in ends.

Turn brim right side out.

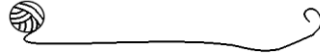
Plaid Detail

Surface st (see *Special Stitches*) lines across flat portion of hat, making sure that the distance between the lines is the same vertically as it is horizontally. Do not center the lines for the best plaid look.



Surface sc one line around side of hat at Round 4. Surface sc vertical lines around sides using the same distances as on the flat top.

Do not add plaid detail to brim.



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