

Make It In A Day: Crochet Toddler Ballet Beret

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Looks far better on a human than a too-small bear!

Materials:

- 1 ball *Sensations* Angel Hair (weight category 5); color of your choice (available at Joann's) (3 ½ oz, 120 yards)
- (optional) Satin ribbon rosettes
- Size H crochet hook
- Yarn needle

Instructions:

(work in rounds, join with sl st to top ch of beg ch 3 in each round. Beg ch 3 in each row counts as one dc)

ch 6, join with sl st to first ch to form ring

Round 1: ch 3, work 11 dc in ring, join (12 dc)

Round 2: ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3 just worked, *2 dc in next; repeat from * around, join. (24 dc)

Round 3: ch 3, dc in same st as ch 3 just worked, 1 dc in next, *2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next; repeat from * around, join (36 dc)

Round 4: ch 3, dc in same as ch 3 just worked, 1 dc in each of next two st, 2 dc in next, 1 dc in next 2; repeat from * around, join (48 dc)

Round 5-6: ch 3, dc in each st around, join (48 dc)

Round 7: ch 3, dc in next st, ch 1, skip 1 st, *dc in next 2 st, ch 1, skip 1 st; repeat from * around, join

Round 8-9: ch 3, dc in each st and ch 1 sp around, join (48 dc)
do not fasten off

Ribbing: (see photo below for help)

Special Stitches:

dec sl st: insert hook in indicated stitch, yo, draw up loop, insert hook in next st, (do not yo) pull loop through both loops on hook, pull taut

Ribbing: is worked at a 90 degree angle to dc rounds and is attached to dc with sl sts as you go along (see photo below these instructions for help.)

Ribbing is worked in rows rather than rounds, in back loops only of each sc. The dec sl st are worked in both loops of each dc.

Row 1: *While still attached to last st of row 9,* ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (5 sc) skip 1 dc from row 9, dec sl st in next two dc, pull taut, ch 1, turn.

Row 2: (skip sl st just made, work in back loops only now) sc in each st across, ch 1 turn

Row 3: sc in each sc across (5 sc) skip next dc from row 9, dec sl st in next two dc, ch 1, turn

Repeat rows 2 and 3 until ribbing meets first sc ribbing row made.

Join to first sc row with sl st. sl st together last row and first row of ribbing. Fasten off, weave in ends.

Option 1: Flower Embellishment:

ch 6, join with sl st to first ch made to form ring

Round 1: (ch 3, 2 dc inside ring, ch 3, sl st inside ring) repeat between () two more times. (3 petals made)

Round 2: work behind petals just made: (ch 3, sl st in loops between two petals) repeat between () two more times.

Round 3: sl st into first ch 3 loop made in round 2. (ch 3, 4 dc inside ch 3 loop, ch 3, sl st into same ch 3 loop, sl st into next ch 3 loop) repeat between () two more times.

Round 4: (ch 4, sl st into loops between two petals) repeat between () two more times

Round 5: sl st into first ch 4 loop made, (ch 3, 6 dc inside ch 4 loop, ch 3, sl st into same ch 4 loop, sl st into next ch 4 loop) repeat between () two more times. Fasten off, weave in ends.

With yarn needle, attach flower to row 9 of beret with same yarn used to make flower and hat by

weaving into inconspicuous stitches and doubling back to secure weaving.

OR Option 2:

Attach purchased rosettes where indicated by photo or place wherever you like with sewing needle and thread that matches yarn. Several different colors of rosettes are pretty together too.



The stitches on the left of this photo are the dc rows, running vertical, the stitches on the right are the ribbing running horizontal in this photo. Dc rows 1-9 and the sc ribbing rows run at a 90 degree angle to each other.

Make the joining sl sts in two loops of dc (as shown) not just the back loop.

Toddler ballet leg warmer pattern available soon to match this ballet beret.