



## What you will need:

**RED HEART<sup>®</sup> Super Saver<sup>®</sup>:** 1 skein each 718 Shocking Pink A, 886 Blue **B**, 316 Soft White **C**, and 324 Bright Yellow D

Susan Bates<sup>®</sup> Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9]

Stitch markers, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 17 dc = 5" [12.5 cm]; 9 rows dc = 5" [12.5 cm]. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles/hook to obtain the gauge given.

# **Buy Yarn**



Saver<sup>®</sup>, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yd (215 m), flecks 5 oz (141g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins



# Hootin' Owl Hat

Kids will love wearing this comfy owl hat. Use favorite colors of this easy-care yarn that will machine wash and dry.

Hat measures: 20" (51 cm) in circumference at brim: **Length:** 7½" (19 cm)

#### Note

Chain-1 at the beginning of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.

#### **Special Stitches**

dc2tog = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times, yarn over, draw through all loops on hook. **picot =** Ch 3, slip st in 3rd ch from hook.

# **Special Technique**

**Adjustable-ring method =** Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked. pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

# ΗΔΤ

With **A**, make an adjustable ring, ch 1. Round 1: Work 12 dc in ring; join with slip st in first dc—12 dc.

Round 2: Ch 1, 2 dc in each dc around; join with slip st in first dc—24 dc.

Round 3: Ch 1, [dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] 12 times; join with slip st in first dc-36 dc.

Round 4: Ch 1, [dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 12 times; join with slip st in first dc-48 dc.

Round 5: Ch 1, [dc in each of next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 12 times; join with slip st in first dc—60 dc.

Round 6: Ch 1, [dc in each of next 9 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 6 times; join with slip st in first dc—66 dc.

Rounds 7–13: Ch 1. dc in each dc around: join with slip st in first dc. Do not fasten off.

## **Right Earflap**

Row 1: Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), dc2tog, dc in each of next 4 dc, dc2tog, dc in next dc; leave remaining sts unworked. turn—8 dc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each dc across, turn—8 sc. Row 3: Ch 2, dc2tog, dc in each of next 2 sc, dc2tog, dc in last sc, turn—6 dc.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each dc across, turn—6 sc. Row 5: Ch 2, [dc2tog] twice, dc in last sc, turn—4 dc.

**Row 6:** Ch 1, sc in each dc across—4 sc. Fasten off.

With right earflap facing and back seam to the right, place st marker 26 spaces to the left of the last st from right earflap.

## Left Earflap

Join **A** with slip st in marked st. Row 1-6: Work same as rounds 1-6 of right earflap.

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Please Note: Print this pattern using Landscape Orientation.

#### Border

**Round 1:** Join **A** with slip st in center back between earflaps, ch 1, sc evenly around, working sc in each st and in end of each sc row and 3 sc in the end of each dc row; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

#### Eye (make 2)

With **B**, make an adjustable ring, ch 1. **Round 1:** Work 12 dc in ring; join with slip st in first dc—12 dc. Fasten off. **Round 2:** Join **C** with slip st in any dc, ch 1, 2 dc in same dc as join and in each dc around; join with slip st in first dc—24 dc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

#### Nose

With **D**, leaving a long tail, make an adjustable ring, ch 3. **Row 1:** Work 3 dc in ring, ch 3, slip st in ring. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

#### Ear (make 2)

With **A**, leaving a long tail, make an adjustable ring, ch 3.

**Row 1:** Work 3 dc in ring, picot, 3 dc in ring, ch 3, slip st in ring. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Cut a 6" (15 cm) strand each of **B**, **C** and **D**. Hold strands together and fold in half to form a loop. Insert crochet hook from right side through picot. Place fold on hook and draw fold through, forming a loop. Thread ends of strands through loop and pull to tighten. Trim ends evenly.

# ASSEMBLY

Refer to photograph as a guide for placement of all pieces.

#### Braid (make 2)

Cut three 28" (71 cm) strands each of **B**, **C**, and **D**. Separate each color. Thread strands between stitches on last row of earflap. Fold in half and braid doubled strands together until 4" (10 cm) of fringe remains, knot to fasten, trim ends evenly.

### Eyes

Center eyes on forehead and with **C**, sew in place.

#### Nose

Cut two 4" (10 cm) strands of **D**, knot one to the top of the first dc on nose, knot 2nd to the top of the 5th dc on nose. Position nose between eyes. Thread tails through eyes and hat to wrong side and tie securely.

#### Ears

Flatten hat so eyes are facing and centered. Place stitch marker on each side of round 3 where desired. Thread tails from ear to wrong side of hat at stitch marker and tie securely.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.