# Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Even Berry Stitch Baby Hat



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## **MATERIALS**

Bernat Roving (80% acrylic, 20% wool, 100 g/3.5 oz, 109 m/120 yds) 1 skein each Rice Paper, Putty, Squashed, Rose Quartz, Low Tide Size K/6.5mm hook
Tapestry needle, scissors, 4 inch pom pom maker

### SIZE

Baby size 6 months

## **STITCHES**

**Half Double Slip Stitch (HDSS):** Yarn over (YO), insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through loops on hook.

Single Crochet (SC): Insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO, pull through two loops on hook.

**Berry Stitch:** YO, insert hook, YO, pull up a loop, YO pull through one loop on the hook, YO, insert hook into same space, YO, pull up a loop, YO, pull through all five loops left on the hook.

### **PATTERN**

Chain 6. (Leave a fairly long tail that you can use to sew the band together.)

Work in the second chain from the hook and each stitch across a half double slip stitch (HDSS). (5 stitches made) Chain 1 and turn.

In the next 4 stitches, work in the back loop only the half double slip stitch. In the very last space, go under both loops. (this will make a neater appearance for when you work around the band for the hat part.)

Chain 1 and turn.

Repeat working the half double slip stitch in the back loops, (except for the last stitch, work under both loops) for 30 rows. (You'll know it's 30 for sure if the tail is at the bottom. You'll be joining the two ends with your tapestry needle by working up towards the loop.)

Match the ends together and sew them together as neatly as possible. You are free to do your own join method as well. I prefer the tapestry needle to get as hidden a finish as possible. Leave the tail hanging and don't sew it in quite yet. It's going to be your place marker for each round.

Work 36 SC around the edge of the band. Now you only have 30 spaces to do this so work in the extra that you need as you go. Get them as evenly spaced out as possible. There is no good way to tell you to do this. Just make it work. The 36th SC should be lined up with the tail. And that's how you'll know you are at the end of the round each time. (If not, just get a stitch marker and mark the 36th SC)

Do not join. Chain 1 and skip the first SC, SC into the second one. Chain 1, skip the next stitch, SC into the next. This is the mesh stitch. Continue with this pattern around. When you get back to the 36th space, it should be a SC, pull through with Putty just before you finish the stitch. The next space should be a chain space and that is where you will work the first berry stitch.

Berry Stitch round: Work a berry stitch into each chain 1 space, and a SC into each SC space around. In the last SC of the round, pull through with Rice Paper. (18 berries)

Mesh Stitch Round: Continuing in the same direction, CH 1 and begin the mesh stitch by alternating SC, Chain 1, Skip over one, SC. This time though you will be skipping over the Berry you made. So make sure you are working the SC into the SC and chaining one and skipping over the berry. When you get to the end of the round, continue on and work one more round. There are 2 rounds of Mesh Stitch in between each Berry Round. In the last SC pull through with Squashed.

Berry Stitch Round with Squashed: Repeat the instructions above for the berry round.

Work two rounds of Mesh stitch in Rice Paper following the instructions above, pulling through with Rose Quartz in the last SC.

Start the Berry Stitch round in Rose Quartz. Remember to pull through the last SC with Rice Paper.

Work 2 more rows of mesh stitch in Rice paper, then work one Row of Berry stitch in Low Tide.

Then to finish, work two more rows of mesh stitch in Rice Paper, tying off with a long tail you will use to gather the top of the hat with your tapestry needle. Just work in and out of the chain spaces and gently pull the top of the hat together. Work a few more stitches to close up the top.

Weave in all the ends. And here is where you will make the berries stitches line up a little bit better with your needle. If they look crooked to you, just add a bit of yarn color below or above. You'll see what I mean. Here is your make it work moment!

Now make the giant pom pom with your maker and attach to the top. With this yarn, I did pull the pom pom tight with a string and the yarn. This yarn can pull apart since it is not twisted so adding a piece of string, or another sturdy yarn will help to hold the pom in place. I trimmed my pom down to look tighter and not so much like a mop head, but you can do what you like.

xo, Tiffany

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