



KNIT
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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It's a Hoot Knit Owl Hat

*Perfect for owlish people that like to have fun!
This knit hat is worked in rounds with two
strands of yarn then edging, eyes and beak
are crocheted.*

RED HEART® With Love™: 1 skein each 1934 Autumn A, 1252 Mango B, 1207 Cornsilk C, 1303 Aran D.

Susan Bates® Needles: 6mm [US 10] set of double-pointed needles.

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 6.5mm [US K-10.5] (for edging, eyes, beak, and attaching tassels).

Two 18mm round flat-back acrylic crystals, one 18mm marquise flat-back acrylic crystal, glue (for gluing crystals to hat), stitch marker, stitch holder, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 11 sts = 4" over Garter st (knit every row when working in rows; knit one round, purl one round when working in rounds). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



Red Heart® With Love™, Art. E400, available in solid color 7oz (198g), 390 yd (357m) and multi color 5oz (141g), 230 yd (211m) skeins.

SHOP KIT

Hat measures 20" circumference, unstretched.

NOTES

- Hat is worked with 2 strands of yarn held together.
- Earflaps are worked first. Stitches are then cast-on between the earflaps to begin the front and back of hat.
- Hat is worked in rounds, beginning at top of earflaps.
- Eyes and beak are crocheted separately and sewn to front of hat. Crystals are glued to the center of the eyes and beak.

EARFLAPS (make 2)

Work back and forth in rows using 2 double-pointed needles.

With 2 strands of A held together, cast on 2 sts.

Row 1: Knit.

Row 2: K1, yarn over, k1—3 sts.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: K1, yarn over, knit to end of row—4 sts.

Row 5: Knit.

Row 6: Knit to last st, yarn over, k1—5 sts.

Rows 7–14: Repeat last 4 rows 2 more times—9 sts.

Row 15: Knit.

Row 16: K1, yarn over, knit to end of row—10 sts.

Place sts of first earflap on holder, and make 2nd earflap. Do not place sts of 2nd earflap on holder.

HAT

Round 1 (Right Side): Knit across the 10 sts of the 2nd earflap, cast on 24 sts for front, knit 10 sts of first earflap from holder, cast on 16 sts for back—60 sts. Distribute sts evenly on double pointed needles (20 sts on each of 3 needles, or 15 sts on each of 4 needles, whichever you prefer). Place a marker for beginning of round.

Rounds 2–24: Beginning with a purl round, work in Garter st worked in rounds (knit 1 round, purl 1 round) for 23 rounds.

Shape Crown (top of hat)

Round 25: [K10, k2tog] 5 times—55 sts.

Rounds 26–28: Work in Garter st for 3 rounds.

Round 29: [K9, k2tog] 5 times—50 sts.

Rounds 30–32: Work in Garter st for 3 rounds.

Round 33: [K8, k2tog] 5 times—45 sts.

Rounds 34–36: Work in Garter st for 3 rounds.

Round 37: [K7, k2tog] 5 times—40 sts.

Rounds 38–40: Work in Garter st for 3 rounds.

Round 41: [K6, k2tog] 5 times—35 sts.

Round 42: Purl.

Round 43: [K5, k2tog] 5 times—30 sts.

Round 44: Purl.

Round 45: [K4, k2tog] 5 times—25 sts.

Round 46: Purl.

Round 47: [K3, k2tog] 5 times—20 sts.

Round 48: Purl.

Round 49: [K2, k2tog] 5 times—15 sts.

Round 50: Purl.

Round 51: [K1, k2tog] 5 times—10 sts.

Round 52: Purl.

Round 53: [K2tog] 5 times—5 sts.

Round 54: Purl.

Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through remaining sts and pull to close opening. Secure end.

EDGING

Round 1: With crochet hook and one strand each of B and C held together, join yarn with sc at base of one earflap, sc evenly spaced around, working one sc per Garter st ridge on earflaps, 3 sc in point of each earflap, and one sc per st across back and front.

Round 2: Slip st in each sc around. Fasten off.

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EYES (make 2)

With crochet hook and 2 strands of **A** held together, ch 3.

Round 1: Work 11 dc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch counts as first dc); join with slip st in top of beginning ch—12 dc. Change to 2 strands of **D** held together.

Round 2: Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), hdc in same st as join, 2 hdc in each st around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—24 hdc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

BEAK

With crochet hook and 2 strands of **B** held together, ch 5.

Round 1: Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next 2 ch, 3 sc in last ch; working across opposite side of foundation ch, hdc in next 2 ch; join with slip st in first sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

FINISHING

Sew eyes to front of hat. Sew beak centered below eyes. Glue one round acrylic crystal to center of each eye. Glue marquise acrylic crystal to center of beak. Weave in all ends.

Top Tassels (make 3)

Cut 8 strands each of **B** and **C**, 14” long. Hold all strands together and fold in half. Insert crochet hook in top of hat and draw fold through to form a loop. Thread the ends of the strands through the loop and pull to tighten. Repeat to attach 2 more tassels to top of hat. Trim tassels to about 4”.

Earflap Tassels (make 2)

Cut 12 strands each of **B** and **C**, 24” long. Hold all strands together and use crochet hook to draw strands through tip of earflap, line up the ends of the strands. Hold all strands together and tie an overhand knot. Trim ends to 3½”.

ABBREVIATIONS: **A, B, C,** and **D** = Color A, B, C, and D; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **k** = knit; **p** = purl; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.