# THE SHOW-UP HAT

by Kim Werker

## **Sizing**

To fit an average adult head. It's very stretchy, so will fit a range of sizes. And it's easy to adjust: make the ribbing sections shorter or longer than 8" (20 cm) to fit around smaller or larger heads, respectively; and work fewer or more rows of hdc to adjust the height of the hat.

Note about the ribbing: The ribbed parts are about 4" (10 cm) high, so can be folded up for a 2" (5 cm) brim if desired. If you prefer a beefier folded-up brim, make your foundation chain longer than about 4".

#### **Materials**

Yarn of any weight in a sufficient amount to complete the hat, and an appropriately sized hook. Shown here in worsted weight yarn (Cascade 220, about 180 yards), worked with a 5 mm hook.

### Gauge

Varies based on the yarn weight you use. Just work to the dimensions specified.



One of the simplest - and most intimidating - ways to stand up for what's right is to show up when it matters. Whether you march on Washington or another city or don't march at all, wear your #pussyhat with pride in solidarity with everyone who vows to stand up against injustice and to safeguard the human rights of all people.

Like the original knitted <u>Pussyhat</u>, this crocheted version is worked flat as a rectangle then seamed up the sides.





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## **Special Stitches**

Single crochet through the back loop only (sc-blo): In next stitch, insert hook through back loop only and pull up a loop, complete single crochet.

**Sc-blo ribbing**: Work sc-blo in each stitch of every row.

#### **Abbreviations**

#### American terms are used.

ch = chain

hdc = half double crochet

sc = single crochet

sc-blo = single crochet through the back loop only (see above)

## **About the Designer**

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# First kibbing Section

Make a chain slightly longer than 4" (10 cm). Work in sc-blo ribbing as follows:

**Row 1**: Skip first chain, sc-blo (see sidebar) in next chain and in each remaining chain across, turn.

**Row 2**: Ch 1 (does not count as a stitch), sc-blo in first stitch and in each remaining stitch across, turn. (**Note**: In subsequent rows the final sc stitch can be hard to see - be sure to dig for it and not skip it!)

Repeat Row 2 until piece measures about 8" (20 cm) from foundation-chain edge. Fasten off and set aside for now.

# Second Kibbing Section

Make as for First Ribbing Section but do not fasten off. Without turning at the end of the last row, begin working Middle Section of the hat as follows:

# Middle Section

Ch 2, rotate work 90 degrees to crochet across the ribbed edge. Placing your stitches consistently as you go, hdc in each row-edge across, turn.

**Hdc Row**: Ch 1 (does not count as a stitch), hdc in first stitch and in each stitch across, turn.

Repeat Hdc Row until piece measures about 13" (33 cm) from bottom edge of ribbing, fasten off.

**Note**: The hdc section of the hat will be wider than the ribbing section. It's supposed to be that way!





Layer First Ribbing Section behind Middle Section, lining up one long edge of the ribbing with the last row of hdc.

Holding both pieces together and working through both thicknesses at the same time, with a yarn needle sew the two sections together using <u>whipstitch</u>. Use stitch markers if needed to distribute the narrower ribbed fabric across the wider hdc fabric as needed if the stitches of each piece don't line up perfectly. Don't sweat it! When you get to the end, fasten off. The total length of the rectangle from one ribbing edge to the other should be about 17".

Fold the hat in half so the ribbing sections are lined up. Whipstitch the two sides of the hat together (or use whichever seaming technique you prefer), keeping the bottom edge of the ribbing open - that's where you'll put your head!

Weave in loose ends.

If your seam is on the outside but you want it on the inside, turn the hat out, et voila.

Wear your hat with pride!



