

# Preemie and Newborn Baby Hat Tutorial

## (For Beginners - with photos)

(Adapted from [Bev's Country Cottage pattern](#), Except I made a few adjustments to the pattern.)

Soft baby yarn (Caron Simply Soft works great.)

Hook Size: G

Hat Size: 4 inches across.

### PREEMIE Size:

Form Ring: Ch 3

Round 1: Insert hook into the first chain created (3<sup>rd</sup> from hook) and do 12 dc's. Then, use a sl st to join with the beginning ch. (See example A1, A2, and B1, B2.)

Round 2: Ch 2, dc in the same stitch as ch 2, (see example C1) then 2 dc in each stitch around. Join with sl st to beginning ch. (23 total) (See example D1 and D2)

Round 3: Ch 2, 1 dc in the next stitch, then \*2 dc in the next stitch and 1 dc in the next 2 sts\*. Join with sl st to beginning ch. (30 total)

Rounds 4-5: (Preemie size hat ends here. See pattern continuation for Newborn size below.) Ch 2, dc in each ch around, join with sl st to beginning ch.

Weave in your ends (example F1 and F2.) – OR - use Optional decorative edging.

### For Newborn Size:

Round 4: Ch 2, dc in next st, \*2 dc in next st, 1 dc in the next 3 sts\*. Join with sl st. (37 total)

Round 5-8: Ch 2. Dc in each st. Join with sl st.

**Decorative Edging:** When done with last round, ch 3 then do alternating FPDC and BPDC. (See example E1 and E2.)

Weave in your ends. (See examples F1 and F2.)

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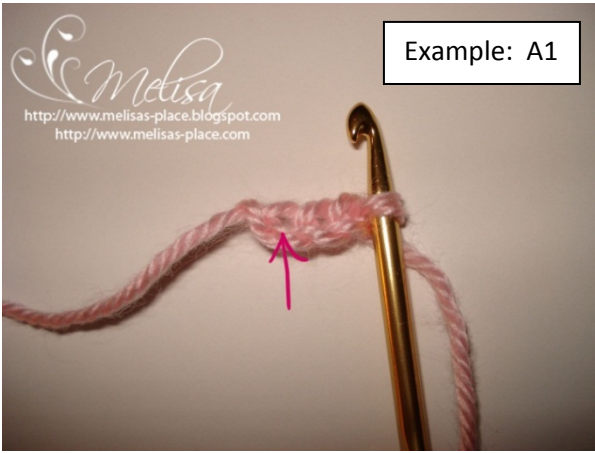
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Example: A1



Example: A2



Example: B1



Example: B2

Insert hook here to join with sl st.  
(There is another *little* chain/loop just before it, but do not use that as the joining chain. Click on picture to enlarge if needed.)

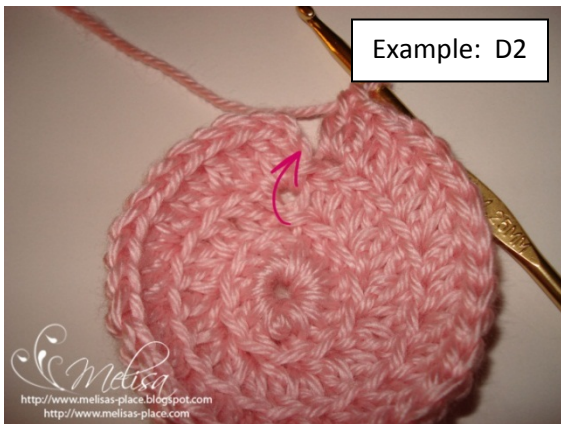


Round 2: Ch 2, then dc in the same ch.

(The picture looks like it's a new ch, but it is the same one.)



Round 3: Another example of where to place the sl st. Skip the *little* ch/loop as shown by the small arrow. Place your hook in the ch as shown by the large arrow.





Example: E1

Decorative Edging:  
Alternating FPDC and BPDC.  
Arrow indicates first front post.



Example: E2

Decorative Edging: Finished.



Example: F1

View of back. This is where you weave in your stray ends. See how there are a couple of little gaps, use the needle and yarn to draw them together to make it look nicer.



Example: F2