

A Hooker's World



10 x 10 Skullies

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ADULT MALE



ADULT FEMALE/CHILD



NEWBORN

I have been crocheting skullies for charity and a friend asked if I could teach him. During Coronavirus times, getting together is difficult. Because I have confirmed my friend can read a crochet pattern, I decided to write up my recipe.

All skullies I crochet are crocheted using half double crochets, and based on a ten-count; twelve-count for double crochet circle; and eight-count for single crochet circle.

Chart References

[The Crochet Crowd](#) (from the crown center to the brim) and [Heart Hook Home](#) (from the crown to the brim). I am still trying to find a standard for hat measuring; I even may create one myself.

Materials

- Yarn (any weight)
- Appropriate crochet hook for your yarn choice
- Snippers
- Tapestry Needle

Legend

ch = chain

hdc = half double crochet

ss = slip stitch

fpdc = front post double crochet

bpdc = back post double crochet

Recipe

Crown

Ch 3

Round 1: First ch 2, does not count as a stitch anywhere in this pattern; this is a space filler for a more complete round. 10 hdc in first ch, close round with ss in first hdc.

Round 2: Ch 2, two hdc in same stitch and each stitch around for a total of 20 hdc.

NOTE: Notice there appears to be a stitch left over, right? That is your slipped stitch from the previous round. Skip it and slipstitch as instructed. However, do note that this feature will be present on every round afterward, and to be treated the same: skipped.

Round 3: Ch 2, two hdc in same stitch, 1 hdc in **next** stitch, [2 dc in next stitch; 1 hdc in next stitch] repeat 8 times more. (30 hdc)

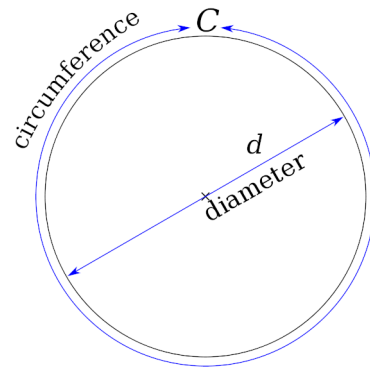
Round 4: Ch 2, two hdc in same stitch, 1 hdc in next **two** stitches, [2 dc in next stitch; 1 hdc in next two stitches] repeat 8 times more. (40 hdc)

Round 5: Ch 2, two hdc in same stitch, 1 hdc in next **three** stitches, [2 dc in next stitch; 1 hdc in next three stitches] repeat 8 times more. (50 hdc)

Round 6: Ch 2, two hdc in same stitch, 1 hdc in next **four** stitches, [2 dc in next stitch; 1 hdc in next four stitches] repeat 8 times more. (60 hdc)

This will be the last increase round for this recipe. You may continue to increase the size of your circle for a bigger skully or any other project you may have in mind. Just be sure to follow the formula above.

Measure the diameter of your circle. Are you at six inches like me?



Yes?

Great! We are done increasing and ready to crochet the side of your hat now.

No?

Continue increasing until you reach six inches.

or

Find your diameter on the chart and stop increasing.

Side

We will not be increasing any more. For this recipe, the hat height is being defined as from the last increase row to the edge of your hat, whether or not you include a brim. For this recipe my brim measures approximately 1.5 inches; your's may differ based on tension alone.

To stop increasing, we now will crochet only 1 hdc in each stitch around, minus the last slipped stitch (60 hdc).

I know a six-inch crown will fit my 23-inch head. The hat heights for a six-inch crown vary between 7 and 7.5 inches. Taking my 1.5 inch brim into account, I now need a hat height between 5.5 and 6 inches.

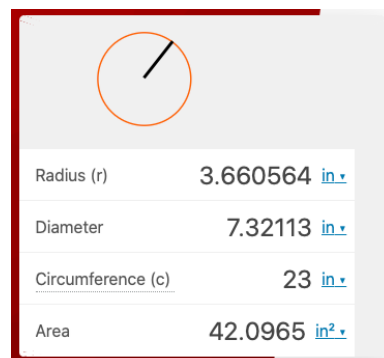
Continue adding rounds for a hat height of 5.5-6 inches for this recipe.

Brim

Rounds will begin the same with ch 2. Instead of hdc, we are now alternating fpdc (front post double crochet) and bpdc (back post double crochet) for each round.

Rounds will end the same, with a slip stitch in top of first stitch.

After four rounds, your brim should measure 1.5 inches. If not, add more rounds.



Radius (r)	3.660564 in.
Diameter	7.32113 in.
Circumference (c)	23 in.
Area	42.0965 in ² .

MY HEAD SIZING

Hat Sizing

It's not perfect. Charts and my suggestions are only guidelines. I have standardized my skullies for three sizes: adult male (60hdc), adult female (50 hdc), and child (40 hdc).

Because I make hats for charity, people whom I do not know, sizing doesn't really matter. I make the hat and off it goes.

Should you need to "fit" a hat, you would need head circumference and head height (top of head to desired length (top or bottom of ear). [Diameter can be calculated](#) using a circle calculator and you can use the charts as a reference to build your hat.

In the example - My Head Sizing - I entered 23 inch circumference. I can see that a diameter of 7.3 inches is required for my head. However, I make my skullie to a six-inch diameter for a negative ease of one inch, which fits more snug on my head.

Switching Colors

Should you choose to change color on a row. It is best to fasten off your previous row, leaving tail. Begin new row ch 2 over that slipped stitch, and start your stitching in the next stitch. Note that you will no longer see that slipped stitch at the end, coming right up to the beginning ch 2.

Finishing

Sew in all you ends, snipping any excess.

Proviso

While I condone your profit from making my pattern, I do ask that you do not copy my pattern when it is available for free. Help a human out and share the source: [A Hooker's World](#).