



The “Nirvana” Slouchy Beanie w/Messy Bun Option Pattern by Yvonne Metz

Materials:

Yarn: #4 Yarn Red Heart w/Love (Berry Red) & I Love this Yarn (Glacier)

Hook(s): J/6.00mm (Brim) K/6.5 mm (Hat Part)
*totally optional

Accessories: Yarn needle, Tape Measure, Stitch Marker

Stitch Abbreviations:

Ch: Chain

HDC: Half Double Crochet

FO: Finish Off

SIS: Slip Stitch

Sts: stitch/stitches

Inv Join: Invisible Join

HDC DEC: Half Double Crochet Decrease

FPDC: Front Post Double Crochet

BPDC: Back Post Double Crochet

FDC: Foundation Double Crochet

HDC 3rd Loop: Half Double Crochet 3rd Loop OR Camel Stitch

DC-X: Double Crochet Cross Stitch

Special Stitches:

Back Post Double Crochet (BPDC): YO, insert hook behind post of stitch (insert hook from back to front of stitch), YO, pull up a loop, YO, (pull through 2 loops) twice.

Front Post Double Crochet (FPDC): YO, insert hook from front to back around post of stitch indicated, YO, pull up a loop, YO, (pull through 2 loops) twice.

Invisible Join (INV Join): Join by taking out your hook placing it to the back of the stitch or stitches indicated and pulling the yarn through.

Double Crochet Cross Stitch: Skip 1 stitch, work DC, and then work a DC in the stitch that was skipped either in FRONT or BEHIND. (For my Project I worked Behind)

HDC 3rd Loop/Camel Stitch: Work in the back loop of the HDC this will push up the top sts.

Tips/Notes:

- Yarn Choice – If you're using a thinner #4 yarn such as "I Love this Yarn", "Simply Soft" or "Red Heart Soft" you'll have a different look. I used ILTY and a J hook throughout the entire project.
- I started with a Foundation DC (FDC) for my project (which is the ch & Row 1) this gave my brim a nice stretch & look on the bottom. A few other choices are given.
- Invisible Join is optional although I found this gave me a nicer seam (barely noticeable)
- This pattern is adjustable to ANY Size – just adjust the brim to the size you need.

Directions for Beanie

Brim: *Ch 2 does not count as a stitch – **inv join is optional - *have even stitch count

Round 1: work FDC x 68 (or until you reach the size you need) join with slst, ch 2 (68)

Not doing FDC - Chain until desired head circumference – (even stitch count)

Round 1: DC in the back bump of each chain across. This will give you a nice finished look on the bottom of your brim.

OR you can simple DC in the chains as normal. If this is to tight then use a bigger hook for the Chain then go back down to your normal size hook.

*After round 1 weave the bottom together (much easier for working Round 2)

Round 2 – 4: (FPDC, BPDC) repeat () around, inv join, ch 2 (measured approx. 2")

**If you are using a thinner #4 yarn (I Love This Yarn) do an extra row

Hat Part: Switch to larger Hook *if you are using a thinner #4 yarn keep same hook size

Round 5: HDC in each stitch around, inv join, ch 2 (68)

Round 6-8: HDC in 3rd loop around, inv join, ch 2 (68)

Round 9-10: DC-X around (see special sts above), inv join, ch 2 (68)

Round 11: HDC in each stitch around, inv join, ch 2 (68)

Round 12-14: HDC in 3rd loop around, inv join, ch 2 (68)

Round 15-16: DC-X around (see special sts above), inv join, ch 2 (68)

Round 17: HDC in each stitch around, inv join, ch 2 (68)

My piece measured 8" at this point

Round 18: Working in 3rd loop around (HDC in next 2 sts, HDC DEC), inv join, ch 2 (51)

Round 19: HDC in 3rd loop around, inv join, ch 2 (51)

Round 20: Working in 3rd loop around (HDC in next 2 sts, HDC DEC), to last 3 sts, HDC in next, HDC DEC in last 2, inv join, ch 2 (38)

****For the Crown part there'll be no more 3rd loop. Work as you normally would****

Round 21: HDC around, inv join, ch 1 (38)

Round 22: (HDC in next 2 sts, HDC DEC), to last 2 sts, HDC in last 2, inv join, ch 2 (29)

Round 23: HDC DEC around to last st, DC in last stitch, inv join, ch 2 turn (15)

MESSY BUN OPTION:

Round 23: (HDC in next 2 sts, HDC DEC), to last st, HDC in last st, inv join, ch 2 (22)

IF this opening is too big then decrease more OR follow Round 23 from the Slouchy. Thicker hair will need a larger opening versus someone with thinner hair.

Also it may look better with a more fitted look so you can use the Thinner weight yarns such as Red Heart Soft, I Love This Yarn....etc... as these yarns won't give you the slouchier look.

FO leaving a tail for sewing the opening closed! Add Pom Pom if desired!

You are DONE! I hope you enjoyed this Beanie as much as I enjoyed creating it.

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