Baby Cap of Pop Corn Stitch

DIRECTIONS

MATERIALS—J. & P. Coats “Silk Finish” Crochet Cotton, in white or colors.

Ch 10, join. Into this ring make 27 d tr, join. 2d Row—Ch 5, for 1 tr tr, 2 more tr tr, ch 3, *3 tr tr, 3 ch, repeat around and join. There will be 9 groups of 3 tr tr with 3 ch between groups. 3d Row—Ch 5 for 1st tr tr, 1 tr tr in each of last two tr tr in first group of previous row, ch 3, 3 tr tr into 3 ch of previous row, repeat around. There will be 18 groups, with 18 chs between. 4th Row—S st into each tr tr, with 7 s st over each ch. 5th Row—Sl st to 4th s st, then 5 ch, s st into middle of next ch, repeat around. 6th Row—7 s st over each 5 ch, all around. 7th Row—Sl st to 4th st of previous row, ch 6, s st into middle of next ch, repeat around. 8th Row—11 s st over each ch of previous row. 9th Row—Ch 5, s st in 6th st of first scallop, ch 5, s st between two scallops. There are 18 scallops so there will be 36 loops of 5 ch each. 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th Rows—All chains of 5, with s sts in chains of previous rows. 14th Row—Leave four of these loops for the neck and make 32 loops of 5 ch each for around the head. 15th Row—7 s st into each of these loops. 16th and 17th Rows—Like 14th and 15th rows. 18th and 19th Rows—Same (that is, first a row of chain, then these are covered with s st.) 20th Row—32 loops of 5 ch each, turn. At the beginning of each row make a small loop of 3 ch, and into these loops the finishing rows are caught when the head piece is done. These little loops do not count in the 32 loops that form the body of the cap, but are made in turning and are made to the middle of the first scallop. 21st Row—Beginning to count at the middle of the scallop where the 20th row commenced, make 3 loops of 5 ch each, 1 pop corn st into 4th loop of last row, 6 loops of 5 ch each, 1 pc st, 6 loops, 1 pc st, 6 loops, 1 pc st, 6 loops, 1 pc st, 4 loops, turn.

22d Row—Sm loop, 2 loops of 5 ch each, pc st into 3d loop of last row, 1 loop, 1 pc st into next loop, ** 5 loops, 1 pc st, 1 loop, 1 pc st, repeat 4 times, 3 loops, turn. The next 7 rows are made in the same manner, increasing the number of pc st by one each time, until there are 5 pc st with only 2 loops between. Then decreasing until there is the original 1 pc st with 6 loops between. This is the 29th row. 30th, 32d, 34th and 36th Rows—Like 14th row, the 30th row going all around the cap, catching into the sm loops at neck edge. 31st, 33d, 35th and 37th Rows—Like 15th row, the 37th row going all around the cap. 38th Row—Like 30th row, except the s st are made over the previous s st, not into the center of the loop. 39th Row—Like 37th.

The pop corn stitch is made by making 9 tr over 1 loop, then remove the needle from the work, put it first through the first st of the 9, then through the last st (the 9th), and draw the thread through both stitches at once.

This cap, being made of coarse cotton, must have more stitches and more rows if fine cotton be used.