Crochet Hat Pattern: Free Bulky Cuffed Hat in Sizes S to XL

One rectangle, 3 color blocks, a folded cuff, 4 sizes · US terms



The hat laid flat on gray felt: a folded Denim cuff, an Oatmeal block, a Rust top and an Oatmeal pompon. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Sizes: S (head 20-21 in, tween or small adult), M (21-22), L (22-23), XL (23-24)
Level: Advanced beginner (not a first project: a two-way seam and a folded cuff)
Stitches: Chain and single crochet only; one rectangle sewn into a tube, folded cuff, gathered top, pompon

Counts were checked by software. This pattern has not been crocheted and swatched by a person before publication.

Free pattern online:
https://www.amgroyal.com/crochet-hat-pattern/?utm_source=pdf&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=crochet-hat-pattern

Materials, sizes and terms

Materials

Denim: 90 yd (Small) / 90 yd (Medium) / 100 yd (Large) / 100 yd (Extra Large)
Oatmeal: 80 yd (Small) / 80 yd (Medium) / 90 yd (Large) / 90 yd (Extra Large)
Rust: 50 yd (Small) / 60 yd (Medium) / 60 yd (Large) / 70 yd (Extra Large)
You need bulky weight (#5) yarn in 3 colors (Denim, Oatmeal and Rust), a US K-10.5 (6.5 mm) hook, a yarn needle, scissors and a piece of cardboard 5 in wide for the pompon. The yarn list gives the yards of each color for every size. All yardage is estimated, with a 15 % margin, and each color is rounded up to the next 10 yd. Denim includes the cuff seam, Oatmeal and Rust their seam strands, Rust the gathering strand and Oatmeal the pompon. Check the yarn label in yards, not grams, to count your skeins.
Use one brand and one dye-lot family per color if you can.
14 ends to weave in: 6 from the crochet (2 at each of the 2 color changes, the end of the Denim seam tail and the 6-inch top tail), plus 2 at each of the 4 sewing strands (Oatmeal seam, Rust seam, gathering strand, pompon tie).
Hook: US K-10.5 (6.5 mm)
Time: About 6-10 hours (S), 6-10 hours (M), 7-11 hours (L), 7-11 hours (XL)

Sizes

Small: head 20-21 in

Yarn needed: About 220 yd in all, pompon included (with a 15 % margin)
Finished size: Hat circumference 19.0 in, hat height about 7.9 in with the cuff folded (approximate).
Counts: Foundation ch 58; 57 sc per row; 41 rows (2337 sc). About 6 to 10 hours in all.

Medium: head 21-22 in

Yarn needed: About 230 yd in all, pompon included (with a 15 % margin)
Finished size: Hat circumference 20.0 in, hat height about 8.1 in with the cuff folded (approximate).
Counts: Foundation ch 61; 60 sc per row; 42 rows (2520 sc). About 6 to 10 hours in all.

Large: head 22-23 in

Yarn needed: About 250 yd in all, pompon included (with a 15 % margin)
Finished size: Hat circumference 21.0 in, hat height about 8.1 in with the cuff folded (approximate).
Counts: Foundation ch 64; 63 sc per row; 42 rows (2646 sc). About 7 to 11 hours in all.

Extra Large: head 23-24 in

Yarn needed: About 260 yd in all, pompon included (with a 15 % margin)
Finished size: Hat circumference 22.0 in, hat height about 8.4 in with the cuff folded (approximate).
Counts: Foundation ch 67; 66 sc per row; 43 rows (2838 sc). About 7 to 11 hours in all.

Size table

Measure	S	M	L	XL
Head (in)	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24
Hat circumference (in)	19.0	20.0	21.0	22.0
Hat height, cuff folded (in)	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.4
Sc per row x rows	57 x 41	60 x 42	63 x 42	66 x 43
Foundation ch	58	61	64	67
Rows per block (cuff, Oatmeal, Rust)	20, 10, 11	20, 10, 12	20, 10, 12	20, 10, 13
Yarn, all colors (yd)	220	230	250	260

Time (h)	6-10	6-10	7-11	7-11

Inches. Approximate, from our suggested gauge: check them against your swatch.

Abbreviations (US Terms)

ch = chain
sc = single crochet
st(s) = stitch(es)
RS = right side
WS = wrong side
tch = turning chain (ch 1 here: never counted, never worked into)

Gauge

Suggested only: 12 sc and 14 rows = 4 in (10 cm) in sc with a US K-10.5 (6.5 mm) hook and bulky (#5) yarn. Your stitches and rows may be fewer or more than we show: measure your swatch and adjust.

Notes

- The hat has 3 color blocks, from the bottom edge up: Denim, Oatmeal, Rust. The Denim block is the cuff. You work it twice as tall as the cuff you see, then fold its first half up over its second half, so the folded cuff shows only Denim. It is plain sc, not ribbing, and the fold shows the wrong side of those first rows. The block plan gives the rows of each color for every size, and its dashed line shows where the cuff folds. You change color only twice. Change with the last pull-through of the last sc of the row before, and cut the old color. Each change leaves 2 ends of 6 in to weave in.



The hat ready to wrap as a gift, on a light oak table. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Crochet Hat Pattern Rows: What to Count as You Go

All four sizes follow the same rows; only the counts change. They are written as S (M, L, XL). Leave the long Denim tail before you chain: it sews the cuff seam. Row 1 is the wrong side, and its sc go in the back bump of the chain. Every row after that starts with ch 1 and a turn. Count at the end of every row: the number in brackets after each row is what you should have, every time. If you have one more, you probably worked into the turning chain. Fasten off after the last row with a 6 in tail.

Foundation

Leaving a 50-inch (about 1 yd) Denim tail for the seam: it sews the cuff seam. Ch 58 (61, 64, 67).

Stitch count: 58 (61, 64, 67) ch

Row 1 (WS)

Skip the first ch from the hook (it is the turning ch and does not count as a st). Work a sc in the back bump (the bump on the back of each chain) of the next ch and of each ch across.

Stitch count: 57 (60, 63, 66) sc

Row 2 (RS)

Ch 1 (does not count as a st), turn. Sc in each st across. The first sc goes in the last sc made, right at the base of the turning ch; the last sc goes in the first sc made in the row before, never in the turning ch.

Stitch count: 57 (60, 63, 66) sc

Rows 3 to 41 (42, 42, 43)

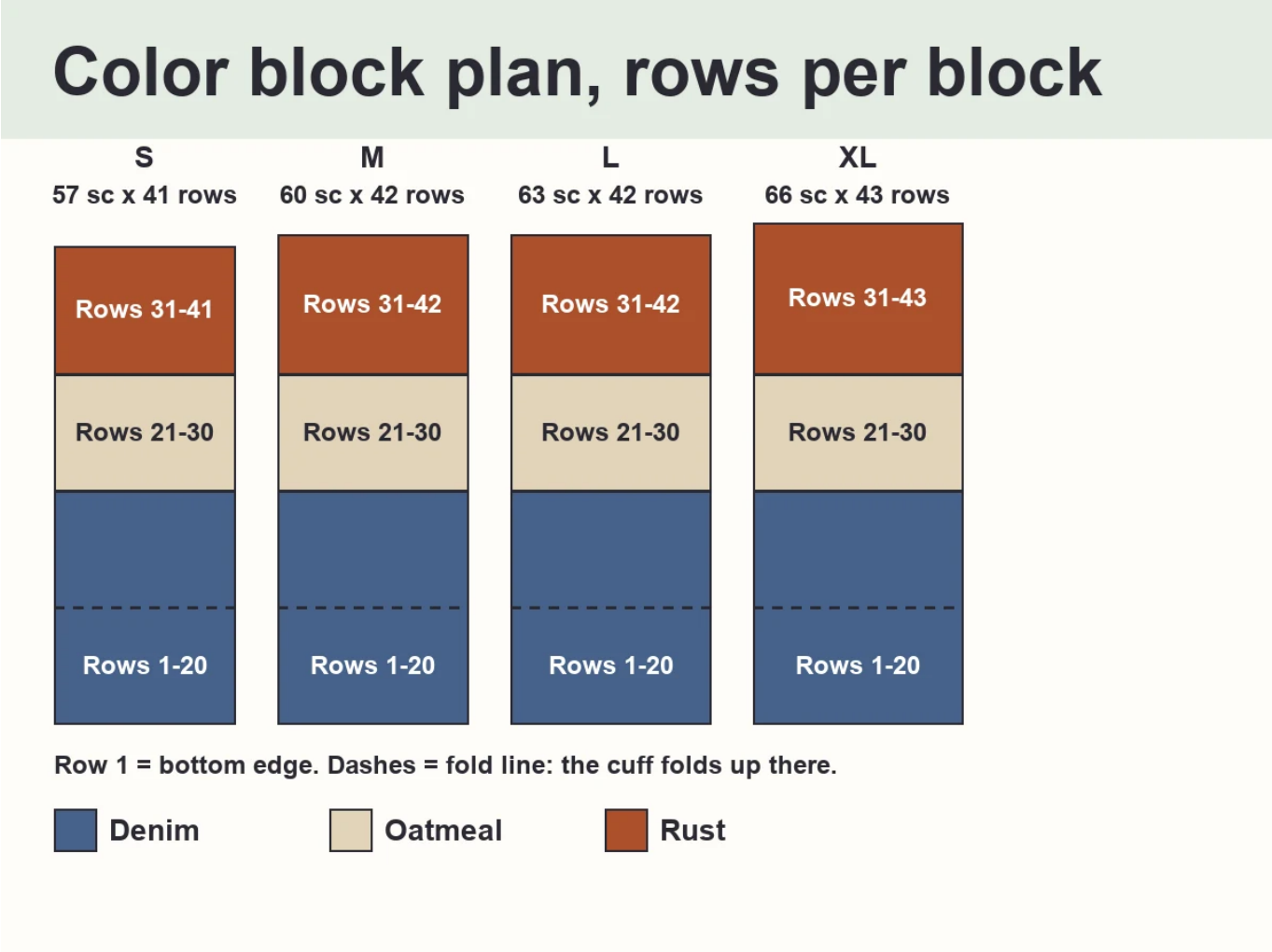
Repeat Row 2. Change color with the last pull-through of the last sc of Row 20 and of Row 30 (see the block plan). Fasten off after the last row, leaving a 6-inch tail.

Stitch count: 41 (42, 42, 43) rows in all



The hat on a cream knit blanket with coffee and pine. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Diagram



Block plan: the rows of each color in every size. The dashed line is where the Denim cuff folds up.

Chart

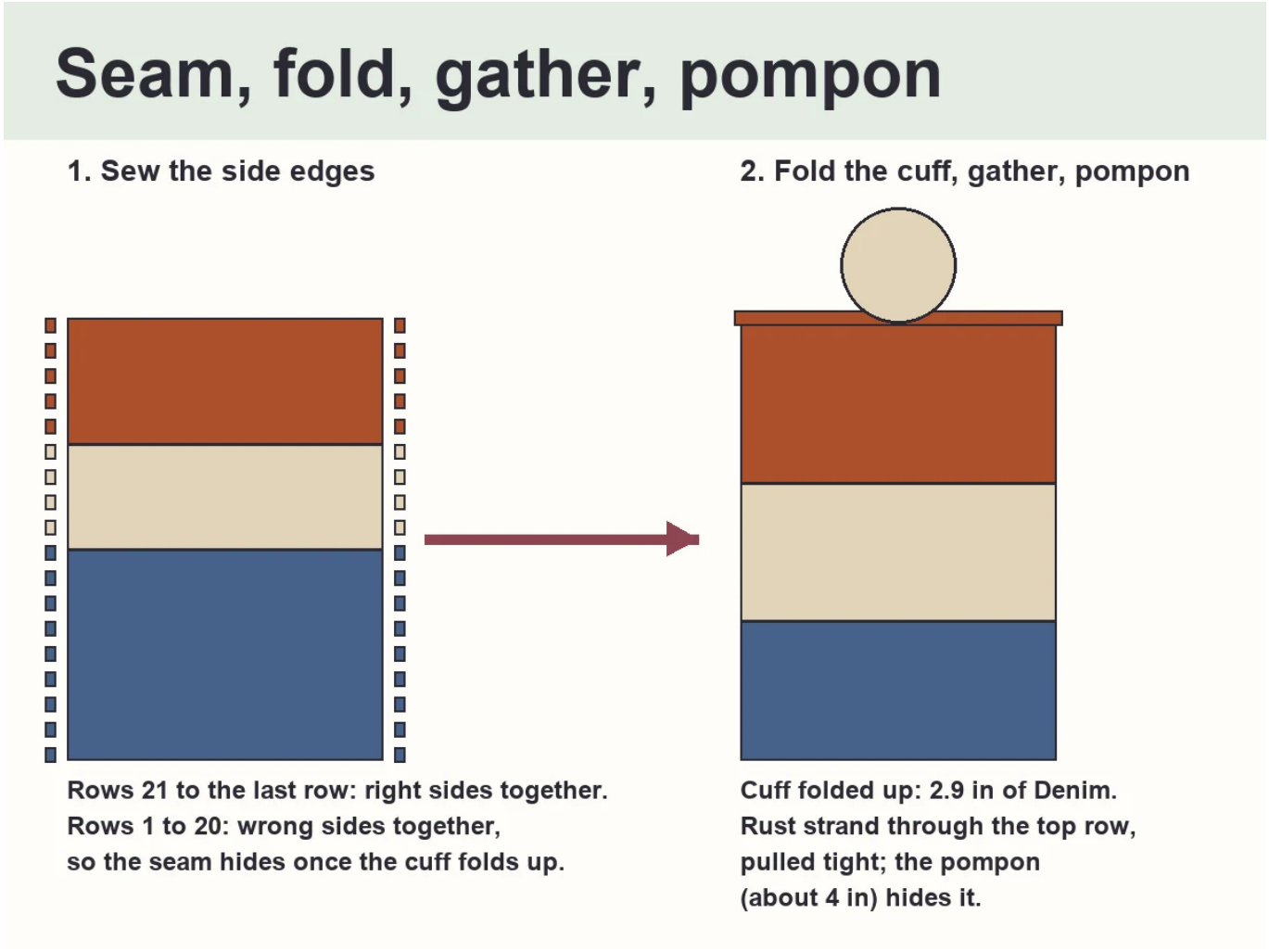
Head size chart, Craft Yarn Council

Age / size	Head circumference
Preemie	9-12 in
Baby	14-16 in
Toddler	16-18 in
Child	18-20 in
Tween	20-22 in
Woman	21-23 in
Man	22-24 in

Source: Craft Yarn Council. This pattern: S (tween or small adult) to XL, head 20-24 in.

Head circumference by age from the Craft Yarn Council, preemie to man. This pattern covers S to XL.

Assembly plan



Assembly: sew the tube (the Denim cuff rows the other way round), fold the cuff, gather the top, add the pompon.



Denim, Oatmeal and Rust yarn with a crochet hook, scissors and the cardboard for the pompon. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Finishing

Four steps, in this order: seam, fold, gather, pompon. The assembly plan in the charts above shows them. Sizes are given as S (M, L, XL).

1a. Seam, the cuff rows 1 to 20: WRONG sides together

Bring the 2 side edges together with the Row 1 edges lined up. Hold the tube right side out and, with the 50-inch (about 1 yd) Denim tail and a yarn needle, whip stitch Rows 1 to 20, 1 row end to 1 row end, with the edges pinched outward.

1b. Seam, Rows 21 to 41 (42, 42, 43): RIGHT sides together, in color

After Row 20, fasten off the Denim tail and weave it in. Turn the tube wrong side out. Sew the Oatmeal rows with a 24-inch Oatmeal strand, then the Rust rows with a 32-inch Rust strand: a whip stitch shows small bars on the right side, so each part is sewn in its own color. Once the cuff folds up, the seam ridge is hidden: inside the hat above the cuff, between the two cuff layers for the cuff rows. Turn the hat right side out.

2. Fold the cuff

Fold Rows 1 to 10 up over the next 10 rows (fold line after Row 10): the folded cuff is about 2.9 in high and shows the wrong side of those rows.

3. Gather the top

Thread a 36-inch Rust strand through the top of every sc of the last row, pull tight, wrap it twice around the closed top, sew through the middle to close any hole, knot and weave in.

4. Make and sew the pompon

Wrap Oatmeal yarn about 100 times around a 5 in wide piece of cardboard, slide it off, tie the middle with an 18-inch Oatmeal strand, cut the loops, trim to about 4 in, and sew it over the gathered top with the long ends.

Tips

- Check the stitch count at the end of each row: every row has 57 (60, 63, 66) sc.
- Leave the 50-inch (about 1 yd) Denim tail BEFORE you chain: it sews the cuff seam.
- Tie a scrap of yarn in the first stitch of Row 1 so you find the bottom edge again when you sew.

Common mistakes

- Working into the turning ch: the row gets 1 sc too many and the edge grows wider.
- Sewing the whole seam with right sides together: the cuff part then shows its seam once folded.
- Skipping the swatch: more or fewer stitches in 4 in change the size of the hat.

Make it your own

- Other colors: any three colors of bulky (#5) yarn work with the same rows. Keep the blocks that touch in different colors.

Care

- Follow the washing and drying instructions on the label of your yarn.



The hat on a white linen bed with a book, tea and reading glasses. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Thank you!

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