

Diamond Ridges Hat

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What You'll Need:

dk weight yarn- approx 230 yards
H hook

Stitches used:

chain (**ch**)

slip stitch (**sl st**)

double crochet (**dc**)

front post double crochet (**fpdc**)

front post half double crochet (**fphdc**)

back post half double crochet (**bphdc**)

double crochet decrease (**dec**) [(yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook)twice, yo, draw through all lps on hook]

front post double crochet cluster (**cl**)- the 'cluster' stitch is essentially a double crochet decrease, worked in the following manner:

row 5 only:

first half of cluster around fpdc in previous row to the right of current stitch, second half of cluster around fpdc in previous row to the left of current stitch

remainder of pattern:

first half of cluster around entire cl in previous row to the right of current stitch, second half of cluster around entire cl in previous row to the left of current stitch

Gauge:

rows one through four = 4 inches diameter

Notes:

I have used Red Heart Designer Sport, Debbie Bliss Rialto DK, and Queensland Rustic Wool DK to make this hat. When using the Rialto and Rustic Wool I changed the cluster stitch to treble crochets instead of doubles.

Keep tension a bit loose to ensure the hat will be "stretchy".

100% acrylic yarn tends to make a very stiff hat. Acrylic blends or wool and wool blends work best.

(Images of rows one through seven are below.)



Instructions:

- 1- make an adjustable ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc, now and throughout), work 9 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (10 st)
- 2- ch 3, fpdc in ch 3 from round 1, [dc in next st, fpdc in same stitch as dc just made] around, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (20 st)
- 3- ch 3, fpdc in ch 3 from round 2, [dc in next st, fpdc in same st] around, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (40 st)
- 4- ch 3, two fpdc in next fpdc, dc in next dc, fpdc in next fpdc, [dc in next dc, two fpdc in next fpdc, dc in next dc, fpdc in next fpdc] around, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (50 st)
- 5- ch 3, work cl (see notes above), dc in next fpdc, dc in next dc, work cl, [dc in next dc, work cl, dc in next fpdc, dc in next dc, work cl] around, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (20 clusters, 50 st total)
- 6- ch 3, [work cl, dc in same st as second leg of cl (top of cl from previous row), dc in next dc, work cl, dc in dc behind cluster just made, dc in same st as second leg of cl (top of cl from previous row), dc in next dc] around, ending with cl, dc in dc behind cluster just made, dc in same st as second leg of cl (top of fpdc), join with sl st to top of ch 3; (20 clusters, 70 st total)
- 7- ch 3, dc in next st (top of cl from previous row), dc in next dc, [work cl, dc in dc behind cluster just made, dec over next two st (top of cl from previous row and next dc), dc in next dc, work cl, dc in dc behind cluster just made, dc in next st (top of cl from previous row), dc in next dc] around, ending with cl, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (20 clusters, 80 st total)
- 8- ch 3, dc in next dc, [work cl, dc in dc behind cluster just made, dec over next two st (top of cl from previous row and next dc), dc in next st] around, ending with cl, dec over next two st (dc behind cluster just made and top of cl from previous row), join with sl st in top of ch 3; (20 clusters, 80 st total)
- 9- ch 3, work cl, dc in dc behind cl just made, dec over next two st (top of cl from previous row and next dc), dc in next st] around, ending with cl, dc in dc behind cl just made, dec over next two st (top of cl from previous row and next dc), join with sl st in top of ch 3; (20 clusters, 80 st total)
- 10- ch 3, dec over next two st (top of cl from previous row and next dc), dc in next st, work cl, [dc in dc behind cl just made, dec over next two st (top of cl from previous row and next dc), dc in next st, work cl] around, join with sl st in top of ch 3; (20 clusters, 80 st total)

Repeat rows 8, 9, and 10 until hat reaches ½ inch from desired length.

finishing-

ch 1

The first stitch of this row will depend on where the last row ended, which can vary. The pattern is work fphdc around cl in previous row, work bphdc around next stitch, then fphdc, then bphdc, all the way around. Join.

Repeat with a second row of alternating front and back hdc.

Hat is inspired by the knitted Koolhaas by Jared Flood. You are free to sell items made using this pattern, just please provide a link to my blog. <http://www.kristy-tom.com/>



Rows 1 & 2



Row 3



Row 4



Row 5

