# Cuddle Bug Hat

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Skill Level: Easy

Finished Size: Newborn to 3 months

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Materials:

Size #3 Weight Yarn

Size I or J crochet hook (or size needed to obtain gauge)

- Tapestry needle

### Gauge:

4 hdc = 1 inch

2 hdc rounds = 1 inch;

(sc, shell) twice and  $sc = 2 \frac{1}{2}$  inches

4 rounds = 1 % inches

#### **Pattern Notes:**

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-2 at beginning of round counts as first half double crochet unless otherwise stated.

## **Special Stitches:**

Shells: 3 dc in indicated st.

**Beginning shell (beg shell)**: Ch 3, 2 dc in same st

as beg ch-3.

#### HAT

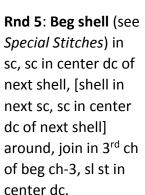
**Rnd 1 (RS)**: Beg at crown of Hat, ch 2, 9 hdc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook, join (see *Pattern Notes*) in first hdc. (*9 hdc*)

Rnd 2: Ch 2 (see *Pattern Notes*), hdc in same st as beg ch-2, 2 hdc in each rem st around, join in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch of beg ch-2. (18 hdc)

**Rnd 3**: Rep rnd 2. (36 hdc)



Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sk next st, shell (see Special Stitches) in next st, [sk next st, sc in next st, sk next st, shell in next st] around, join in beg sc. (9 sc, 9 shells)



**Rnd 6**: SI st in next dc, ch 1, sc in same dc, shell in next sc,

dc, shell in next sc,
[sc in center of dc of next shell, shell in next sc]
around, join in beg sc.

Rnds 7 – 17: [Rep rnds 5 and 6] 5 times. At the end of rnd 17, fasten off.

Roll brim of Hat upward approximately 1 inch.





