

Football Beanie

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The Football Beanie can be made in traditional colors of brown and white or make it in your favorite team's colors. You can add even more color by making the stripes and laces different colors. I love this hat for those who love football but want to represent their team without wearing head-to-toe team gear. It is a simple beanie that is fast to work up and a warm hat to wear. You can also add earflaps and braids to turn it into a fun earflap hat.



Sizes:

- Newborn fits 14" head circumference
- Infant (3 months) fits 16" head circumference
- Baby (6 months) fits 18" head circumference
- Toddler (1–2 years) fits 19" head circumference
- Preschooler (3-5 years) fits 20" head circumference
- Child (6-10 years) fits 21" head circumference
- Teen/Small Adult fits 22" head circumference
- Medium Adult fits 23" head circumference
- Large Adult fits 24" head circumference

Skill Level:

- Easy

Materials:

- I-5.5 mm hook; I use a Clover hook which I have found creates a slightly smaller gauge. I also tend to be a really tight crocheter. For these two reasons, I highly recommend working up a gauge swatch ahead of time. (See below in Pattern Notes for directions on working up a gauge swatch). You may need to go up or down one or two hook sizes
- Worsted Weight Yarn - I Love This Yarn by Hobby Lobby. Less than 100 grams or 175 yards total for hat. Aran yarn would be an acceptable substitute if you don't have access to worsted weight yarn.
- Yarn or Tapestry needle

Gauge:

- 15 hdc and 11.5 rows = 4" square; use a different size hook or yarn to obtain proper gauge (See below in Pattern Notes for directions on working up a gauge swatch)

Abbreviations and Stitches Used: (In US terminology)

- Ch – chain stitch
- Hdc – half double crochet
- MC – Magic Circle
- Rnd(s) – round(s)
- Sc – single crochet
- Sl st – Slip Stitch
- St – stitch

Pattern Notes:

- Pattern is written in US terms
- Read pattern in its entirety first
- Always work a gauge swatch first. Each crocheter crochets with a different tension. I tend to crochet really tight. To complete a gauge swatch, I crochet a 5"x5" square in the stitch or pattern specified. This is so that at least the first and last row and the sides will not be included in my 4"x4" square. I then measure how many stitches and rows are in my square. If it is too small (you have more stitches or rows than specified), then you move up a hook size or two. If it is too big (you have fewer stitches or rows than specified), then you move down a hook size or two. The goal is to reach a gauge that is as close as possible to the pattern writer's. It may seem like a waste of time, but I always find that it is worth it in the end; especially with fitted, wearable items. If you are not within ¼" when I give the diameter measurement for the crown of the hat in each pattern size, you should check your gauge and work a gauge swatch if you haven't already.
- When working in rounds, I always start with a magic circle; there are many great tutorials on the internet
- When working in rounds, the ch1 or ch2 NEVER count as the first stitch

Infant (3 months)

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 8 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (8 total stitches)

Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (16)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (24)

Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (32)

Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (40)

Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (48)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures between 4" and 4.25" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 7: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (48)

Rnds 8 - 12: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd 13: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd 14: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 15: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.



For laces:

Cut a length of white yarn approx. 1 - 2 yds long.

With yarn or tapestry needle and working from inside of hat, insert your hook in between 2 stitches of round after the 1st white stripe (round 8 for the infant size). Pull almost all the way through leaving 6 - 8" for weaving in later.

Hold yarn flat against hat so that the yarn runs straight up and down on the front of the hat. Insert back down to the wrong side between 2 stitches on the row before the 2nd white stripe (for infant size, this is round 13).

Repeat 2 or 3 more times if desired.

In the same manner, work a stitch in every other row up and over the 1st stitch (working perpendicular to the 1st stitch).

Finishing

Weave in all ends.



Newborn

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 8 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (8 total stitches)

Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (16)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (24)

Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (32)

Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (40)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures approximately 3.75" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 6: Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in each stitch around. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (41)

Rnds 7 - 11: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (41)

Rnd 12: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd 13: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 4.5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 14: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Baby (6 months)

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 8 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (8 total stitches)

Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (16)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (24)

Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (32)

Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (40)

Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (48)

Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures approximately 4.75" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 8: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)
Rnds 9 - 14: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.
Rnd 15: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.
Rnd 16: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 5.5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 17: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Toddler (1-2 years)

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 8 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (8 total stitches)
Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (16)
Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (24)
Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (32)
Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (40)
Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (48)
Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures between 5" and 5.25" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 8: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 13 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (60)
Rnds 9 - 15: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (60)
Rnd 16: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.
Rnd 17: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 6" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 18: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Preschooler (3-5 years)

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 7 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (7 total stitches)
Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (14)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (21)
Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (28)
Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (35)
Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (42)
Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (49)
Rnd 8: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 6 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures between 5.25" and 5.5" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 9: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 7 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (63)
Rnds 10 - 17: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (63)
Rnd 18: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.
Rnd 19: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 6.5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 20: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Child (6-10 years)

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 8 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (7 total stitches)
Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (16)
Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (24)
Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (32)
Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (40)
Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (48)
Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)
Rnd 8: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 6 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (64)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures approximately 5.75" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 9: Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 21 st; *work 2 hdc in next st, work 1 hdc in next 20 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (67)

Rnds 10 - 18: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (67)

Rnd 19: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd 20: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 7" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 21: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Teen/Small Adult

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 7 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (7 total stitches)

Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (14)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (21)

Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (28)

Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (35)

Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (42)

Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (49)

Rnd 8: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 6 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)

Rnd 9: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 7 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (63)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures approximately 6" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 10: Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 7 st; *work 2 hdc in next st, work 1 hdc in next 6 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (71)

Rnds 11 - 20: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (71)

Rnd 21: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd : Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 7.5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 23: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Medium Adult

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 8 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (8 total stitches)

Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (16)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (24)

Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (32)

Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (40)

Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (48)

Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)

Rnd 8: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 6 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (64)

Rnd 9: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 7 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (72)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures between 6.25" and 6.5" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 10: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 23 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (75)

Rnds 11 - 22: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (75)

Rnd 23: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd 24: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 8.5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 25: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.

Large Adult

Rnd 1: With Brown, MC, ch1, work 7 hdc in circle. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Pull tail tight. Ch 1. (7 total stitches)

Rnd 2: Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (14)

Rnd 3: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (21)

Rnd 4: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 2 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (28)

Rnd 5: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 3 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (35)

Rnd 6: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 4 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (42)

Rnd 7: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 5 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (49)

Rnd 8: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 6 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (56)

Rnd 9: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 7 st;* repeat from * to * Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (63)

Rnd 10: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 8 st;* repeat from * to * Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (70)

***Pause here and make sure the crown measures between 6.5" and 6.75" in diameter. If it does not, check your gauge and adjust hook size accordingly.**

Rnd 11: *Work 2 hdc in 1st st, work 1 hdc in next 7 st; (work 2 hdc in next st, work 1 hdc in next 8 st) 3 times)* repeat from * to * 1 more time. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (78)

Rnds 12 - 25: Work 1 hdc into each st. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1. (78)

Rnd 26: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to White. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

Rnd 27: Work 1 hdc into each st. Switch to Brown. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Ch 1.

***Pause here and make sure the length of the hat measures just short of 9.5" from crown to bottom of hat when folded in half.**

Rnd 28: Work 1 sc in each st around hat. Join with sl st to 1st stitch. Finish off.



Variations

- Add a pom pom or two on top of the hat
- For girls, add your favorite flower applique in team colors
- Add earflaps and braids to the hat to make it a winter hat that ties. You can add earflaps very simply by stopping at the last row of hdc and with Brown, begin with 8hdc for baby sizes, 10 hdc for toddler, preschool and child sizes, and 12 hdc for teen and adult sizes. Turn and work a decrease (hdc2tog) into the beginning of each row until you reach the last row (1 hdc2tog) and finish off. You are basically creating a triangle. Lay your hat flat with the first earflap in the front to determine where your other earflap will go. You will want your first earflap slightly off center (the shorter side will be the back of the hat, the longer will be the front) and start the second earflap directly across from the first. Then sc all the way around the earflaps and hat to finish it off.

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