Slouchy Toque Crochet Pattern

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A slouchy toque (a beanie, if you are not Canadian) with a snug ribbed brim and a loose body that folds back at the top. It is worked from the brim up in joined rounds: post-stitch ribbing first, one increase round for the slouch, straight rounds of half double crochet, then a gathered crown.

It fits most adult heads, 21 to 23 in / 53 to 58 cm around.



The slouchy toque in charcoal heather.

Pattern at a glance

- **Skill level:** easy (hdc in joined rounds, post stitches, increases and decreases)
- **Size:** adult; brim 19.7 in / 50 cm around before stretching, body 22.2 in / 56 cm around, about 11 in / 28 cm tall
- **Yarn:** worsted (aran / 4) acrylic or wool blend, about 168 yd / 153 m
- **Hook:** 5 mm (US H/8)
- **Gauge:** 13 hdc x 10 rounds = 4 in / 10 cm
- **Time:** about 3 hours

Abbreviations (US terms)

• **ch** chain · **sl st** slip stitch · **hdc** half double crochet · **hdc inc** 2 hdc in one stitch · **hdc2tog** hdc decrease · **fpdc / bpdc** front / back post double crochet

Before you start

• Every round starts with ch 1 (it does not count) and ends with a sl st to the first stitch. The joins make a faint line; keep it at the back.

• Try the brim on after round 7. It should be snug but comfortable; if it is tight, start over with 72 chains and skip the increase round.

The pattern

Toque

Color: start with A (charcoal heather).

Ch 64 and join. Rounds 2 to 7 are the brim; round 8 adds 8 stitches for the slouch.

- [ ] **Rnd 1:** Hdc around. (64)
- [ ] **Rnds 2–7:** (fpdc, bpdc) ×32. (64)
- [ ] **Rnd 8:** (7 hdc, hdc inc) ×8. (72)
- [ ] **Rnds 9–22:** Hdc around. (72)
- [ ] **Rnd 23:** (7 hdc, hdc2tog) ×8. (64)
- [ ] **Rnd 24:** 3 hdc, hdc2tog, (6 hdc, hdc2tog) ×7, 3 hdc. (56)
- [ ] **Rnd 25:** (5 hdc, hdc2tog) ×8. (48)
- [ ] **Rnd 26:** 2 hdc, hdc2tog, (4 hdc, hdc2tog) ×7, 2 hdc. (40)
- [ ] **Rnd 27:** (3 hdc, hdc2tog) ×8. (32)
- [ ] **Rnd 28:** (2 hdc, hdc2tog) ×8. (24)
- [ ] **Rnd 29:** (hdc, hdc2tog) ×8. (16)
- [ ] **Rnd 30:** Hdc2tog ×8. (8)

Finish: Ch 64 and join into a ring without twisting; after R30 FO, weave the tail through the last round and pull tight.



Laid flat: ribbed brim, slouchy body, gathered crown.

Finishing

After round 30, cut the yarn with a long tail, weave it through the 8 stitches of the last round and pull tight. Secure it inside and weave in the ends.

Tips

- **More slouch:** add 4 more straight rounds (rounds 9 to 22); each round adds about 0.4 in / 1 cm.
- **Less slouch:** work 8 straight rounds instead of 14 for a fitted beanie.
- **Pompom:** a 3 in / 7.5 cm faux fur pompom on a snap lets you wash the hat without it.

FAQ

What is the difference between a toque and a beanie?

None in crochet terms: toque is the Canadian word for a knit or crochet winter hat. Slouchy means there is extra length that falls back at the top.

Can I fold the brim?

Work 12 rib rounds instead of 6 and fold the brim up.

More hats: the ribbed beanie in four sizes, the easy hat with a ribbed brim and the simple double crochet hat.