

# Feldspar Crochet Hat

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A slouchy, feminine hat with openwork stitching. This hat uses a unique crochet stitch to create an effect reminiscent of rocky textures found in nature. Excellent for spring and fall when you want a fashion accessory with some warmth. A silky yarn with good stitch definition like Skyland really shines in this pattern!

Skill Level: Intermediate

Materials:

Yarn: Blue Sky Fibers' newly released Skyland- a DK weight luxury blend of wool, alpaca, and silk. Approximately 250 yards, so you'll need two skeins. I used the color North Star for my hat.

You could also use another DK weight yarn.

Hook: US Size G/6 4.0mm Crochet Hook - I recommend Knitter's Pride Dreamz because they are nice and pointy. This is especially useful on this particular pattern because we need to work into the ribbing.

Notions: tapestry needle, pompom (optional)

Gauge: 17 stitches and 10 rows = 4 inches  
in double crochet

Construction: The ribbing of the hat is made first in a long strip, then joined into a circle. Then you will work into the side of the ribbing to start creating the body of the hat, using decreases to shape toward the crown.

Abbreviations:

Ch - Chain  
Sl St - Slip Stitch  
Hdc - half double crochet  
Dc - double crochet  
Fpdc- front post double crochet

Instructions:

Start with a long tail about 12" long.

Ch 12

Row 1: Skip first ch and work 11 hdc's

Row 2: Ch1, work 11 sl sts

Repeat rows 1 and 2, 52 more times.

Using a tapestry needle and the tail created at the beginning, seam your ribbing by laying the newly slip stitch row on top of the foundation chain. Attach the foundation row to the underside of the work, catching the loops of the hdc's that were created in the next to last row.

Place a stitch marker 24 rows to the left of the back seam, and another one 24 rows to the right of the back seam.

Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc) and work a double crochet into the side of each of your ribbing stitches. At each of the stitch markers, work 2 dc's in the same stitch. (108 dc's)

Mark beginning of row with stitch marker.

Round 2: \*ch 3, work 8 incomplete fpdc's in the next 8 dc's, then yarn over and pull through all 9 loops. Ch3. Sc in the space between the last dc that you had worked a fpdc around and the next dc\*. Repeat until there are only 4 stitches remaining. With the last 4 dc's, work 4 incomplete fpdc's, then yarn over and pull through all 5 loops.

Round 3: ch 3, dc 3 in the next ch3 space. Dc4 in each ch3 space around. Sl st in the top of the 3 ch at the beginning of the round.

Round 4: ch1, sl st across the first 4 dc \*ch 3, work 8 incomplete fpdc's in the next 8 dc's, then yarn over and pull through all 9 loops. Ch3. Sc in the space between the last dc that you had worked a fpdc around and the next dc\*. Repeat until there are only 4 dc remaining. Now work 4 incomplete dc's.

Round 5: work 4 incomplete dc's, then yarn over and pull through all 9 loops on hook. Half of this motif was started at the end of round 4, and then just finished at the beginning of round 5. Ch1 in the space between the motif you just created and the next one to the left. Ch 3. (Counts as first dc) dc 3 in the next ch 3 space. Dc 4 in each chain 3 space around. Sl st in the top of the 3 chains.

Repeat Rounds 2 - 5, 2 more times.

Then, repeat rounds 2 - 4.

Round 6 -

Sl st 3, ch 3 (counts as first dc) dc 2 more in ch space, dc 3 in each chain 3 space, sl st in the top of the the 3 chains from the beginning of round.  
(75 dc's)

Round 7 - [\*ch 3, work partial dc around the front post of the next 8 dc, finish by yarning over and pulling through all nine loops. Chain 3. Sc 1 in the space between the motif you just worked and the dc's you are about to work.\* repeat once more.  
ch 3, work partial dc around the front post of the next 9 dc, finish by yarning over and pulling through all 10 loops. Chain 3. Sc 1 in the space between the motif you just worked and the dc's you are about to work.]  
Repeat section in brackets twice more.

Round 8 - Ch3, 2 dc in ch space. 3 dc in each ch space around. Sl st in the top of the 3 chains from the beginning of the round. (51 dc's)

Round 9 - \*ch 3, work 8 incomplete fpdc's in the next 8 dc's, then yarn over and pull through all 9 loops. Ch3. Sc in the space between the last dc that you had worked a fpdc around and the next dc  
ch 3, work 9 incomplete fpdc's in the next 9 dc's, then yarn over and pull through all 10 loops. Ch3. Sc in the space between the last dc that you had worked a fpdc around and the next dc\*  
Repeat twice more.

Round 10: ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in ch 3 space. Dc2 in each ch3 sp around. Sl st in the top of the chain 3 from the beginning of the round.

Round 11 - \*ch 3, work 8 incomplete fpdc's in the next 8 dc's, then yarn over and pull through all 9 loops. Ch3. Sc in the space between the last dc that you had worked a fpdc around and the next dc\*. Repeat two more times.

Round 12 - ch 3 ( counts as first dc). Dc 1 in each ch3 space around. Sl st in the top of the first ch3 from the beginning of the round. Fasten off.

