# Daisy Days crochet hat for Blythe dolls

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Daisy Days are sweet little hats crocheted for Blythe dolls and embellished with daisy lace trims. The daisies are attached to a ribbon tie, not the hat, so you can swap them around to coordinate with different outfits. The daisy tie can even be worn as a headband. Make them in lots of different colours and combinations for a beautiful garden of blooms!

### MATERIALS

- One ball of 8ply/DK weight yarn (I used Lincraft Cotton 8ply, a 100% cotton yarn)
- One 3.5mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends
- 80cm of 3mm satin ribbon for attaching the daisy trim in a colour to match either the daisy trim petals or the crochet yarn
- Approx. 29cm of 10mm or 15mm daisy trim in colour of your choice
- Sewing cotton/embroidery thread and needle for attaching daisies to ribbon

### GAUGE

Refer to the published gauge of the yarns used above to find suitable substitutes:

• Lincraft Cotton 8 ply: 22 stitches/30 rows per 10cm using 4mm needles

### SKILL LEVEL

Beginner

## INSTRUCTIONS

Ch 5. SI st to make a ring into the first ch st. I like to also SI st into centre of ring to secure.

**Round 1:** 3 ch. (Dc into ring + 1 ch) 5 times, giving you a 6 spoke wheel. Sl st into the  $2^{nd}$  ch of the 3 ch at the start of the round. Sl st into the space to secure.

**Round 2:** 3 ch. (Dc + 1 ch) into the same space in the previous round as the 3 ch. Continue working 2 (Dc + 1 ch) into each space around. SI st into the  $2^{nd}$  ch of the 3 ch at the start of the round. SI st into the space to secure.

**Round 3:** 3 ch. (Dc + 1 ch) into the same space in the previous round as the 3 ch. (Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. 2x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. Continue working alternate 1x(Dc + 1 ch) and 2x(Dc + 1 ch) into each space around. SI st into the 2<sup>nd</sup> ch of the 3 ch at the start of the round. SI st into the space to secure.

**Round 4:** 3 ch. (Dc + 1 ch) into the same space in the previous round as the 3 ch. 1x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. 1x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. 2x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space.

Continue working 1x(Dc + 1 ch), 1x(Dc + 1 ch) and 2x(Dc + 1 ch) into each space around. SI st into the 2<sup>nd</sup> ch of the 3 ch at the start of the round. SI st into the space to secure.

**Round 5:** 3 ch. (Dc + 1 ch) into the same space in the previous round as the 3 ch.

1x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. 1x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. 1x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. 2x(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space.

Continue working 1x(Dc + 1 ch), 1x(Dc + 1 ch), 1x(Dc + 1 ch) and 2x(Dc + 1 ch) into each space around.

SI st into the 2<sup>nd</sup> ch of the 3 ch at the start of the round. SI st into the space to secure. We've now finished increasing.

**Rounds 6-10:** 3 ch. (Dc + 1 ch) into the same space in the previous round as the 3 ch.

(Dc + 1 ch) into the next space. Continue working 1x(Dc + 1 ch) into each space around. SI st into the  $2^{nd}$  ch of the 3 ch at the start of the row. SI st into the space to secure. Repeat this round until hat is the desired length.

## Shell Edging:

Dc 5 times into the first space. SI st into the next space. Repeat the above until you reach the start of the round. Cut yarn and weave in ends.

# NOTE

If you find the hat is too loose, reduce the number of increase rounds or alter the last increase row. For example, with Coton-A yarn, I had to alter Round 5 to skip every second increase [2x(Dc + 1 ch)] and just worked a 1x(Dc + 1 ch) in the space. Conversely, if you need a looser hat, work an extra increase round with 4 single (Dc + 1 ch) inbetween each 2x(Dc + 1ch).

## BLOCKING

Place hat in a bowl of cold water and gently prod it to ensure it is fully soaked. Without squeezing, place wet hat over an upturned tumbler glass, smooth edges and leave to dry.

## DAISY TRIM

Cut an 80cm length of 3mm ribbon. Fold to find the centre and sew a small stitch. Find the centre of the daisy trim and attach centre to the centre of the ribbon. Working in running stitch, continue stitching until you reach the end of the daisy trim. Turn work and continue back to the centre. This provides a solid anchoring of the trim. Repeat for the other half.

Thread ribbon ends through a space at the back of the hat to secure in place, tie a pretty bow. You can also secure the trim to the front of the hat with a small stitch.



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### **ABBREVIATIONS**

ch = chain stitch dc = double crochet (US) / treble crochet (UK) sl st = slip stitch

