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Red Velvet CrusHe r Hat

This hat will make you stand out in a crowd! The resulting fabric resembles crushed red velvet and is just as soft to the touch (see Figure 7-4). With hats featured so prominently these days, this pattern is a must. You use basic stitches and techniques and get ample opportunity to practice working in the round, but the results will make you look like an expert. If red isn’t your color, go ahead and choose another color, but by all means, grab your hook and yarn and work up a fabulous fashion accessory.

Figure 7-4: You can toss this crusher hat in a bag when you’re not wearing it, and it will retain its shape when you put it back on.

Materials and vital statistics

- **Size**: One size fits most adults
- **Yarn**: Caron “Jewel Box” medium-weight yarn (64% acrylic/20% rayon/16% polyester), Article #JB1000 (2.5 oz [70g], 100 yds [91 m] each skein): 2 skeins of #0020 Ruby
- **Hook**: Crochet hook size H-8 U.S. or size needed to obtain gauge
- **Stitch markers**
- **Measurement**: 22 in. in circumference
- **Gauge**: First 4 rnds = 2 in. in diameter
- **Stitches used**: Chain stitch (ch), slip stitch (sl st), single crochet (sc)

When making the transition from the crown of the hat to the sides, then again from the sides to the brim, you work your stitches into the back loops and front loops of the stitches, respectively. Remember, the back loops are the ones farthest from you, and the front loops are the ones closest to you.

**Directions**

Foundation chain: Ch 4 and close into ring with sl st in first ch

Rnd 1: Ch 1, work 6 sc in ring, do not join. Continue to work in a spiral, marking beginning of each md and moving marker up as work progresses.

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around (12 sc).

Rnd 3: • rb Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (18 sc).

Rnd 4: • rb Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (24 sc).

Rnd 5: • rb Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (30 sc).

Rnd 6: • rb Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (36 sc).

Rnd 7: • rb Sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (42 sc).

Rnd 8: • rb Sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (48 sc).

Rnd 9: • rb Sc in each of next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (54 sc).

Rnd 10: • rb Sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (60 sc).

Rnd 11: • rb Sc in each of next 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (66 sc).

Rnd 12: Sc in each sc around (66 sc), sl st in first sc to join.

Rnd 13: Ch 1, working in back loops of sts, sc in each sc around (66 sc), do not join. Continue to work in a spiral as before.

Rnds 14–25: Sc in each sc around (66 sc).

Rnd 26: Working in front loops of sts, • rb sc in each of next 10 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (72 sc).

Rnd 27: Working in both loops of sts, • rb sc in each of next 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (78 sc).

Rnd 28: • rb Sc in each of next 12 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (84 sc).

Rnd 29: • rb Sc in each of next 13 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (90 sc).

Rnd 30: • rb Sc in each of next 14 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (96 sc).

Rnd 31: • rb Sc in each of next 15 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (102 sc).

Rnd 32: • rb Sc in each of next 16 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (108 sc).

Rnd 33: • rb Sc in each of next 17 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (114 sc).

Rnd 34: • rb Sc in each of next 18 sc, 2 sc in next sc • rb, rep from • rb to • rb around (120 sc), sl st in first sc to join. Fasten off.