

Spiral Hat

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This begins with a four-color spiral and you work all four colors simultaneously. Colors A, B, C, D (each color is used, in turn, on each round.) To keep track of rounds, place a marker at the last stitch of color A.

Foundation: Start with Color A and a Magic Loop

Round 1: *[1CH, 1SC, 1HDC, 1DC] in ring, remove hook, join color B repeat from*. Continue with remaining colors C & D. in ring in turn,

Round 2: continuing with color A.,*[2 DC in next SC, 1DC in next HDC, 2 DC and next DC, 1DC in next DC], repeat from*with colors B, C. & D.

Round 3: space*[2 DC in next DC, DC and next] repeat with remaining colors.

Round 4:*[2 DC in next DC, DC and next 2] repeat with remaining colors.

Round 5:*[2 DC in next DC, DC and next 3] repeat with remaining colors.

Round 6: DC in each stitch around

Round 6a Sport Weight only:*[2 DC in next DC, DC and next 4] repeat with remaining colors. **Round 7-?:** DC in each around until hat is the depth you want it.

Brim Round1:DC in next 5, HDC in next 5, SC in next 5 (add one SC if working sport weight) repeat with all colors, breaking yarn after each.

Brim Round 2&3: Choose two colors for the shell edging. Work Shell Edging with Color 1, then with Color 2. Fasten off
Weave in all ends.



Yarn: Any worsted or sport weight yarn, any colors. You can use just 2 colors and alternate them, use two solid yarns and two variegated...sky's the limit.
Hook: Size H (8)

Magic Loop: make a large loop by putting yarn tail behind the working yarn. Insert hook into loop from front, YO and draw the working yarn through the loop, make a sl stitch.

Shell Stitch:

Row 1:SC in 1st stitch, *sk 2, 5 DC in next st, skip 2 stitches, sc in next stitch* repeat around. Join with slip in first SC

Row 2: Ch 2 and work 2 DC in joining stitch, work *SC in 3rd DC, 5 DC in next SC* repeat around.

