

stitch guide

+ WILLOW SQUARE—Ch 6, sl st in first ch to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 15 dc in ring, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join—16 dc.

Rnd 2: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), [dc in next dc, ch 1] 15 times, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4 to join—16 ch-1 sps.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, [2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc] 15 times, 2 dc in last ch-1 sp, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join—48 dc.

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in same ch as join, *ch 5, **sk 2 dc, sc in next dc**, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, ch 2, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, ch 3, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, ch 2, sk next 2 dc, **sc in next dc; rep from * 2 times then from * to ** once, sl st in first sc to join.

Rnd 5: Sl st in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, [4 dc, ch 3, 5 dc] in same sp, *sc in next ch-2 sp, 5 dc in next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp, **[5 dc, ch 3, 5 dc] in next ch-5 sp; rep from * 2 times then from * to ** once, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join.

Rnd 6: Ch 3, *ch 5, [sc, ch 3, sc] in next ch-3 sp, ch 5, dc in next sc, ch 3, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk next 2 dc, ch 3**, dc in next sc; rep from * 2 times then from * to ** once, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join.

Rnd 7: Sl st in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, 4 dc in same sp, *[3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in next ch-3 sp, 5 dc in next ch-5 sp, 3 dc in each of next 2 ch-3 sps**, 5 dc in next ch-5 sp; rep from * 2 times then from * to ** once, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join. Fasten off.

Rnd 2 and all even rnds: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 3: *Sc in next 9 (12, 15) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—80 (104, 128) sts rem.

Rnd 5: *Sc in next 8 (11, 14) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—72 (96, 120) sts rem.

Rnd 7: *Sc in next 7 (10, 13) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—64 (88, 112) sts rem.

Rnd 9: *Sc in next 6 (9, 12) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—56 (80, 104) sts rem.

Rnd 11: *Sc in next 5 (8, 11) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—48 (72, 96) sts rem.

Rnd 13: *Sc in next 4 (7, 10) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—40 (64, 88) sts rem.

Rnd 15: *Sc in next 3 (6, 9) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—32 (56, 80) sts rem.

Rnd 17: *Sc in next 2 (5, 8) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—24 (48, 72) sts rem.

Rnd 19: *Sc in next 1 (4, 7) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—16 (40, 64) sts rem.

Rnd 21: *Sc in next 0 (3, 6) sc, sc2tog; rep from * around—8 (32, 56) sts rem.

HAT

Make 4 (5, 6) willow squares (see Stitch Guide). Sew squares into a band as foll: With RS of 2 squares tog, whipstitch (see Glossary) back lps of corresponding first and last ch sts and edge dc sts of one side of each square. Rep until all squares are joined; join the first square to the last to close the band. Join yarn at edge of one square and work 96 (120, 144) sc around edge of band working 1 sc in each dc and 1 sc in each corner ch sp. Do not join, place marker (pm) in last st to mark end of rnd; move m up as work progresses. Work 1 rnd of sc.

Shape crown

Rnd 1: *Sc in next 10 (13, 16) sc, sc2tog (see Glossary); rep from * around—88 (112, 136) sts rem.

