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# Little Monkeys Crochet



## Maribel Cowl



**Size:** Cowl measures 34" around and is 15" tall.

**Gauge:** Not crucial, but a row of 10 HDC = about 3"

**Hook:** K (6.50mm)

**Yarn:** 500 yards of 4 (worsted) yarn (such as Hobby Lobby's I Love This Yarn)

**You'll also need:** Yarn needle

### Abbreviations Used:

ST (stitch)

CH (chain)

HDC (half double crochet)

RibHDC (ribbed half double crochet – see notes)

### Notes:

- (1) This pattern is written in American Standard Terms.
- (2) This pattern uses a stitch I call RibHDC, in which you complete your half double crochet stitch in the single loop just *below* the loops you usually use. This is what gives the cowl a faux-knit, ribbed look. For a visual explanation, you can view a photo tutorial here: <http://goo.gl/psrG4i>
- (3) HELPFUL HINT: When RibHDC-ing, sometimes it's easy to miss the last stitch of the row because it ends up at a bit of an angle. So, if your cowl is getting skinnier and skinnier, you're probably neglecting it. Counting your stitches will solve this problem. :)
- (4) Starting CH does not count as an HDC.

## Pattern

### To begin:

CH 54.

**Row 1:** HDC in 2nd CH from hook, and in each ST across. (53)

**Row 2:** CH1; turn. RibHDC across. (53)

**Rows 3-88 (or until cowl is about 34" long):** CH1; turn. RibHDC across. (53)

Fasten off, leaving a long finishing tail. Use the tail to whip stitch the last row to the first row, joining the piece into a cowl.

Fasten off and weave in all ends.

