



Very Simple Bleuette Wigs

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These wigs are simply a wig cap, with a row of curls or a few strands of yarn, hooked into the cap for the hair. The mohair yarn does most of the work, giving you a cap that resembles a head of hair without using a lot of yarn strands. More elaborate wigs can be made with the cap; these are the simplest.

Materials:

- Mohair worsted yarn in hair color. Yarn should be mostly mohair.
- Size E crochet hook

Gauge: work so the wig cap fits your doll's head snugly.

Tip: use row markers to keep track of your rounds; do NOT join rounds.

Wig cap:

- 1: Ch2, six sc in the second ch from the hook. 6sc
- 2: Two sc in each sc around. 12 sc
- 3: (Sc in the first sc, two sc in the next sc) around. 18 sc
- 4: (Sc in the first two sc, two sc in the next sc) around. 24 sc
- 5: (Sc in the first two sc, two sc in the next sc) around. 32 sc
- 6-7: Sc in each sc around. 32 sc.

Check the fit of the cap. It should be snug, but not tight. If necessary, add four stitches to your next round, otherwise continue working evenly until the cap fits along the hairline and just behind the ears, or to your satisfaction. I worked my caps to 12 rounds. When you have finished crocheting the wig cap, do not fasten off if you are making any of the curly wig styles, or making curly bangs.



On the left, the fuzzy side of the cap. On the right, the not-so-fuzzy side :-)

Look at your cap. You will notice that one side of the work is 'fuzzier' than the other. The fuzzy side is the right side of your wig cap.



Loop-stitch ring of curls:

Sl st in the next st and turn. Work a three-loop loop-stitch in each sc around the cap. Finish off. Check www.crochetpatterncentral.com for loop-stitch instructions.



Chain stitch ring of curls: Work the final row of the wig cap in the front loops only. Do not finish off the yarn at the end of the wig cap. * (Ch10, sl st in the next st)12 times, ch15, sl st in the next st, (ch20, sl st in the next st) 18 times, ch15, sl st in the last st*. Working in the free loops of the next round, repeat **. Finish off.



Bangs and braids: Work the last round of your wig cap in the front loops only. Finish off.

1. For the bangs, wrap the yarn around a 4 1/2 inch wide form (I use my crochet hook case) twelve times. Cut the strands at both ends, so you have 24 four inch strands of yarn. Hook these into the last two rows of the wig cap for two rows of 12 stitches, using the unused loops on the wig cap for the second row of bangs.

2: Cut 12 strands of yarn 14 inches long for each braid. Starting where the bangs leave off on either side of the cap, hook these long strands in two rows of six stitches, using the unused loops on the wig cap for the second row. These long strands should be placed just behind the ears. Braid each side.
Done!



Sausage curls: Work 12 rows for the wig cap. Do not finish off at the end of row 12.

For bangs: in the next 14 sc work (ch6, sl st in the front loop, ch6, sl st in the back loop) of each sc.

For the sausage curls: sl st in the next sc, ch16, work 2sc in each ch, *skip next sc, sl st in the next sc, ch16, 2hdc in each ch.* Repeat ** to the last three sc, skip the next sc, sl st in the next sc, ch16, work 2sc in each ch, sl st in the last sc and fasten off.

Place the wig on the doll with the fuzzy side of the cap out, then twist your sausage curls into ringlets. Done!

You can mix and match bangs and curls and braids. You can make clusters of sausage curls as pigtails or a ponytail, or hook long strands at the top of the cap for a straight ponytail. You can be as elaborate or simple as you like. By using a boucle mohair yarn, you can make just a cap and have a really cute short curl style.

You can use this as the basis for any kind of wig you like, with any kind of yarn. Grab a hook and make some hair!