

Red-Hot Headband

This easy openwork lace headband is a bright accessory for a hot summer day!

Size: One size, to fit average teen/adult (approx. 3" wide by 19" circumference (unstretched), stretches up to 23" circumference)

Hook: US D/3 (3.25 mm)

Yarn: Soft, lightweight rayon thread (somewhat thinner than size 5 cotton thread), or similar wt. thread or yarn that works to gauge*

Sample shown in Pisgah Yarn & Dyeing Co., Inc. Art. 2029 "Super Petal Spun", 100% rayon (150 yds. per 3 oz. ball)

*Note: manufacturer's website lists Art. 2029 Rayon Super Petal Spun as worsted wt., however in this pattern it is worked at a tighter gauge on a smaller hook.

Color: #1 Red: 75 yds.

Notions: Yarn needle

Gauge: 24 sc & 24 rows = 4"/10 cm in single crochet on size D hook
Always take time to check gauge.

Skill Level:  EASY

Pattern Notes:

Headband is worked flat back and forth in rows from narrow end at center back. Shaping is achieved by increases/decreases along edges. Piece is joined in a circle with whipstitch seam. Picot finish is worked along both edges.

There is no right or wrong side to this pattern. The lace pattern repeats over 3 rows, so right and wrong side rows will alternate over the 3-row repeat, producing a stitch pattern that looks the same on both sides.

Stitches used:

Chain (ch)

Slip Stitch (sl st)

Single Crochet (sc)

Double Crochet (dc)

Single Crochet two together (sc2tog)

Abbreviations: back loop only (BLO), beginning (beg), decrease (dec), each (ea), established (est), hook (hk), increase (inc), loop (lp), pattern (patt), repeat (rep), skip (sk), space (sp), stitch (st)

Headband

Begin first half of center back narrow band:

(Note: work rows of sc section in back loop only (BLO) to form ribbing)

Row 1: Ch 8, sc in 2nd ch from hk and in ea ch across (7 sc)

Rows 2-10: Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of ea sc across.

Begin increases:

Row 11 (inc row): Ch 1, turn, working in BLO, work 2 sc in first sc, sc in ea sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc (9 sc)

Row 12: Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of ea sc across.

Row 13 (inc row): Rep Row 11 (11 sc)

Row 14: Rep Row 12.

Row 15 (inc row): Rep Row 11 (13 sc)

Row 16: Rep Row 12.

Row 17 (inc row): Rep Row 11 (15 sc)

Row 18: Rep Row 12.

Row 19 (inc row): Rep Row 11 (17 sc)

Row 20: Rep Row 12.

Begin lace pattern:

(Note: work rows of lace pattern through both loops of sc or dc as usual)

Row 21: Ch 3, turn, dc in second sc (i.e., the next sc after the sc at base of beg ch), *ch 1, sk next sc, dc in next 2 sc, rep from * across (12 dc, 5 ch-1 sps)

Row 22: Ch 1, turn, sc in ea dc and ch-1 sp across (17 sc)

Row 23: Ch 3, turn, sk first sc at base of beg ch-3, sk next sc, sc in next sc, *ch 3, sk 2 sc, sc in next sc, rep from * three times, ch 3, sk next sc, sc in last sc (6 ch-3 sps)

Row 24: Ch 3, turn, dc in first ch-3 sp, *ch 1, 2 dc in next ch-3 sp, rep from * across (12 dc, 5 ch-1 sps)

Rep Rows 22-24 until a total of 43 lace pattern rows have been worked, ending with Row 24.

Begin second half of center back narrow band:

Row 1: Ch 1, turn, sc in ea dc and ch-1 sp across (17 sc)

(Note: work remaining rows of sc section in back loop only (BLO) to form ribbing)

Row 2 (dec row): Ch 1, turn, working in BLO, sc first 2 sc tog, sc in ea sc across to last 2 sc, sc last 2 sc tog (15 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of ea sc across.

Row 4 (dec row): Rep Row 2 (13 sc)

Row 5: Rep Row 3.

Row 6 (dec row): Rep Row 2 (11 sc)

Row 7: Rep Row 3.

Row 8 (dec row): Rep Row 2 (9 sc)

Row 9: Rep Row 3.

Row 10 (dec row): Rep Row 2 (7 sc)

Rows 11-20: Rep Row 3. At end of Row 20 fasten off, leaving 18" tail for sewing.

Picot Edging:

Working along side of center lace pattern section, join thread in end of last sc row before start of lace section. Ch 1, sc in same st, *ch 4, in end of next ch-3 sp row work (sc, ch 3, sc)(picot completed), rep from * across to last row of lace section, ending with ch 4, sc in first sc row at end of lace section. Fasten off.

Repeat picot edging on other edge of headband.

Join center back seam:

Fold headband in half so that narrow ends meet (make sure there is no twist in piece.) Holding narrow ends tog, whipstitch through both thicknesses to sew seam. Weave in all tails.



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