Baby headband with daisies

Baby, 3 to 6 months, head 15 in (38 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 13¼ in (34 cm) round and about 1¼ in (3 cm) wide
To fit a head of 15 in (38 cm)

Skill
Easy
Post stitches in joined rounds, three small flowers

Yarn
Light (3), 3 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
15 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: sky blue, the band **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, the petals **about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: yellow, the middles of the daisies **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 15 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a yarn needle, scissors and pins.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Newborn	13½ in (34 cm)	12¼ in (31 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 40 yd (37 m)
Baby, 3 to 6 months (this file)	**15 in (38 cm)**	**13¼ in (34 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide**	**about 40 yd (37 m)**
Baby, 6 to 12 months	16½ in (42 cm)	15 in (38 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 45 yd (41 m)
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	16 in (41 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 45 yd (41 m)

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Gauge

15 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

The gauge is measured on the headband itself, at the round named: put a soft tape round its outside along the round just worked, without pulling it in. If it measures more than the round says, begin again with a smaller hook; if less, with a larger one. The widths below are worked out from the rounds: to 4 in (10 cm) go 16 rounds of single crochet or 12 rounds of half double crochet, the two rounds of post stitches being counted as half double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 1, put a soft tape round the outside of the headband along that round, without pulling it in: the headband should measure about 13¼ in (34 cm) round.

Notes

- Measure the head if you can: put a soft tape round its widest part, across the middle of the forehead and just above the ears, and choose the size whose head measurement is nearest. The ribs stretch: each size is made about a tenth smaller round than the head it is for, so that it stays on. The table of sizes gives both measures of each.
- The headband begins with a ring of chains: leave a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain, see that the chain is not twisted, and slip stitch in the first chain. Round 1 is worked into each chain, one stitch in each, the first of them into the chain that was joined. At the end sew the little gap at the foot of round 1 closed with the beginning tail.
- The right side of the headband faces you in every round; the rounds are never turned.
- The chain that begins a round is not a stitch. The first stitch goes in the same place as the slip stitch.
- The number at the end of each line is the number of stitches it has when it is finished; chains and slip stitches that are not named there are not counted.
- A post stitch goes around the post of the stitch straight below it in the round before. The first FPhdc of a round goes around the stitch that was joined. In the third round of the band a front post stitch stands over a front post stitch and a back post stitch over a back post stitch.
- Each daisy begins with a magic ring: wrap the yarn once round two fingers, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and with the hook draw a loop of the working yarn up through the ring; make the chain 1 that round 1 begins with. It does not count as a stitch. Work the stitches of round 1 into the ring, over the tail too, then pull the tail until the ring is closed.
- Baby, 3 to 6 months: for a head of 15 in (38 cm). The finished headband is about 13¼ in (34 cm) round and about 1¼ in (3 cm) wide.

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
[ ] 25 times: work what is inside 25 times in all.
(50 hdc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

FPhdc (front post half double crochet; UK FPhtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from front to back and to the front again around the post of the stitch named, pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. The post stands out toward you.

BPhdc (back post half double crochet; UK BPhtr): Yarn over, insert the hook from back to front and to the back again around the post of the stitch named, pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. The post stands away from you.

ptl (puff petal): Pull the loop on the hook up to about 3/8 in (1 cm). [Yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch named, pull up a loop as long as that one] 3 times, always in the same stitch (7 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 7 loops, then chain 2. The first of these 2 chains closes the petal, the second is the gap before the next petal. One petal is counted as 1 ptl; its 2 chains are not counted. A slip stitch that joins in the first petal goes into the first of its 2 chains, which lies on top of it.

Headband

Yarn A, sky blue.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 50, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	

Band

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, hdc in each ch around, sl st in first hdc to join	(50 hdc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 1.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the headband along that round, without pulling it in: the headband should measure about 13¼ in (34 cm) round.

☐ **Rnds 2 to 3**	Ch 2, **[**FPhdc around next st, BPhdc around next st**] 25 times**, sl st in first FPhdc to join	(25 FPhdc, 25 BPhdc)

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Edge

☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(50 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Daisy: make 3

Yarns in order of use: C, yellow; B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 8 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(8 sc)

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Finish the joining slip stitch of round 1 with yarn B, leaving a beginning tail of 6 in (15 cm) of yarn B, and cut yarn C, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) of it too. Round 2 is joined, like round 1, and its chain 1 does not count.

☐ **Rnd 2**	With B, ch 1, ptl in each st around, sl st in first ptl to join	(8 ptl)
☐ **End**	Pull the ring closed. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Pull the ring of each daisy closed once more and weave in all its ends on the back, all but the long sewing tail. Thread that tail, which hangs at the tip of the first petal, on the yarn needle and take it down along the back of this petal, under its strands, to the foot of the petal at the edge of the yellow middle; the sewing begins there. A daisy is about 1¼ in (3 cm) across, and its right side is the side that faced you as you worked it.

2. Placing the daisies: the middle of the front is opposite the line where the rounds of the headband are joined; lay the band flat with this line at the one fold; the other fold is the middle of the front. The three daisies lie in a row on the right side of the band, halfway between its two edges. Pin the middle one first, its center about 1¾ in (4 cm) to one side of the middle of the front, whichever side you like; then the other two, one on each side of it, their centers about 1¼ in (3 cm) from the center of the middle one, so that the petals of two neighbors touch or almost touch.

3. Sewing: with its long tail sew each daisy down round the edge of its yellow middle, at the foot of every petal, through the band; the tips of the petals stay free. Keep the stitches on the inside a little loose, so that the band can still stretch.

Finishing

- Weave in every end on the inside of the headband.

In all: 4 pieces.

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