Headband with a flower

Toddler, head 18 in (46 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 16½ in (42 cm) round and about 1¼ in (3 cm) wide
To fit a head of 18 in (46 cm)

Skill
Easy
Joined rounds, one round in the back loops, a sewn flower

Yarn
Light (3), 4 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

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

You will need

Yarn A: oatmeal, the band and the inner petals	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: coral, the outer petals	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: sunshine, the center	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: fern, the line and the leaves	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a soft tape measure, a stitch marker, 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)	12½ in (32 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 50 yd (46 m)
Baby, 3 to 6 months	15 in (38 cm)	13¾ in (35 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 50 yd (46 m)
Baby, 6 to 12 months	16½ in (42 cm)	15¼ in (39 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 50 yd (46 m)
Toddler (this file)	**18 in (46 cm)**	**16½ in (42 cm) round, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide**	**about 55 yd (50 m)**
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	18¼ in (46 cm) round, 1¾ in (4 cm) wide	about 70 yd (64 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	19½ in (50 cm) round, 1¾ in (4 cm) wide	about 75 yd (69 m)

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Woman	22 in (56 cm)	20¼ in (51 cm) round, 1¾ in (4 cm) wide	about 75 yd (69 m)

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
BLO	back loop only
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
MR	magic ring

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 depths given are worked out from the rounds: to 4 in (10 cm) go 16 rounds of single crochet or 12 rounds of half double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 2, put a soft tape round the outside of the headband along that round, without pulling it in: the headband should measure about 16½ in (42 cm) round.

Before you start

- On a baby: sew every part on firmly all round, and take the headband off for sleep.
- 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. Each size is made a little smaller round than the head it is for, so that it stays on; the table of sizes gives both measures of each.
- The pattern is written in United States terms; the United Kingdom term stands beside each stitch in the list of abbreviations.
- 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.
- A joined round begins with a chain that does not count as a stitch and ends with a slip stitch in its first stitch. Unless the line says otherwise, the first stitch of the next round goes into the same place as that slip stitch.
- The center is begun with a magic ring and worked in a spiral: no chain at the start of a round and no slip stitch at its end; put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round. The right side faces you.
- Back loop only: of the two loops at the top of a stitch work under the one that lies farther from you as you work.
- 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.

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- The petals and the center begin 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. For the petals make the chain 1 that round 1 begins with; for the center make 1 chain to hold the loop. Neither chain counts 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.
- The flower can be sewn on other things too; each of its pieces has a long tail for sewing.

Instructions

Chosen: Toddler, head 18 in (46 cm). Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Headband

Yarn A, oatmeal.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 62, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around, sl st in first sc to join	**(62 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	**(62 hdc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 2.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the headband along that round, without pulling it in: the headband should measure about 16½ in (42 cm) round.

☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 2, hdc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	**(62 hdc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(62 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Outer petals

Yarn B, coral.

Round 3 makes the 5 petals. Its chain 1 does not count, and its first petal begins in the stitch that was joined, so the last slip stitch of the round falls in the last stitch of round 2. The round is not joined.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 sc in MR, sl st in first sc to join	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**(hdc, dc) in next st, 2 dc in next st, (dc, hdc) in next st, sl st in next st**] 5 times**	**(10 hdc, 20 dc)**
☐ **End**	Pull the ring closed. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30 cm) for sewing.	

Inner petals

Yarn A, oatmeal.

Round 2 makes the 5 petals. Its chain 1 does not count, and its first petal begins in the stitch that was joined, so the last slip stitch of the round falls in the last stitch of round 1. The round is not joined.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 sc in MR, sl st in first sc to join	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sl st in next st**] 5 times**	**(10 sc, 5 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Pull the ring closed. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

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Center

Yarn C, sunshine.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Leaf: make 2

Yarn D, fern.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 8, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 3 chs, hdc in next ch, 3 sc in last ch	**(4 sc, 2 hdc, 3 dc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Do not turn; working along the other side of the foundation ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 3 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch	**(2 hdc, 3 dc, 1 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Line: round 3 was worked in the back loops, so the 62 front loops of round 2 stand free on the right side, in a line round the middle of the band. Hold the band with its right side toward you and round 1 at the bottom. With yarn D make a slip knot on the hook, its knot behind the hook. Put the hook up under the first free loop to the left of the line where the rounds are joined, yarn over and pull through the loop and through the knot: the first slip stitch. Go on to the left with 1 slip stitch under each free loop, 62 slip stitches in all, the yarn always on the right side of the band; work them loosely, so that the band stays as wide round as it was. Join with a slip stitch in the first of them, fasten off and weave both ends in on the wrong side.

2. Center: pull its ring closed once more and push the beginning tail into its hollow, so that it stands up round like a bead. Lay it, its hollow down, over the middle of the inner petals, on their right side, and sew its edge down all round through every stitch of its last round.

3. Flower: lay the inner petals on the outer petals, both with the right side up and the two middles on each other, and turn them so that each inner petal lies between two outer ones. With the tail of the inner petals sew the two layers together round the edge of round 1 of the inner petals; the inner petals themselves stay free.

4. Weave the beginning tail of each leaf in on its back. The tip of a leaf is its rounded end, with 3 single crochet in one chain; the sewing tail hangs at the other end, its foot. The middle of the front is opposite the line where the rounds of the headband are joined; fold the headband in half there to find it. The middle of the flower goes about 1¾ in (4 cm) to one side of the middle of the front, whichever side you like, on the line of slip stitches. Hold the band with its right side toward you and round 1 at the bottom. Pin the flower there, tuck the foot of one leaf under its left edge and the foot of the other under its right edge, by about ½ in (1 cm), so that the two leaves lie along the line and point away from each other, and sew the leaves to the band through their middle chains, from the foot over about half their length. Then sew the flower down with its long tail, round the edge of round 2 of the outer petals, through the band; the petals stay free.

Finishing

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

In all: 6 pieces; 375 stitches (248 in the headband, 60 in the outer petals, 25 in the inner petals, 12 in the center, 15 in each leaf).

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