Sunflower headband

US terms



Finished size
About 17¼ in (44 cm) long without the ties and 3 in (8 cm) wide, with a sunflower about 3¾ in (10 cm) across

Skill
Easy
Worked in rows and rounds, with 5 pieces, color changes and 2 special stitches.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: denim blue, the band and the ties	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: brown, rounds 1 and 2 of the sunflower	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: gold, round 3 of the sunflower	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: amber, the back petals	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

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.

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
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)
sk	skip (UK miss)
rem	remaining
sp	space
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

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Special stitches

cluster: [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 3 times, all in the same place (4 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 4 loops. It leaves 1 cluster for the next row or round.

picot: Ch 3, sl st in the top of the stitch just made.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

In the mesh of the band, 6 dc with a ch-1 sp between each two measure 3 in (7.5 cm) across and 10 rows measure 5¼ in (13.2 cm).

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- A slip stitch at the start of a round only carries the yarn to the place named; the first stitch of the round is worked in that same place. If stitches lie between the joining and that place, slip stitch across them first.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in; after a new color is joined, it is the stitch the color was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches, its picots and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches, and the chains at the sides of a point, are not counted.
- The band is worked from one narrow end to the other: its rows run across the headband. The ch 4 at the start of a row stands on the first st of the row (the last st of the row below) and counts as its dc and the ch-1 sp after it; in Rows 3 to 6, same st is that first st. Where the last st of a row falls on such a chain (it does so in Rows 3 to 34, the last sc of Row 34 too), work it in the 3rd of the 4 chains.
- Rows 30 to 33: each row passes over the dc that is the last but one of the row below and the ch-1 sp on either side of it.
- Rows 3 to 6 grow by one dc, Rows 7 to 29 are even, and Rows 30 to 33 lose one dc each. For a longer or shorter band work more or fewer even rows: every 2 rows add or take about 1 in (2.5 cm).
- A point stands in one st: its first and its last sl st are worked in the same place. The round of points ends with the sl st of the last point; it is not joined. In Rnd 3 of the sunflower the first sl st of the first point is the joining of C.
- Rnd 4 of the back petals: the first sl st carries the yarn into the next ch-1 sp, and the first point is worked there.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.

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- French knot (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back, wrap the yarn twice round the needle close to the surface, hold the wraps and put the needle down beside the place where it came up. For a large knot use the yarn double and wrap it three times.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured along the band without its ties: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 11½ in (29 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 13¼ in (34 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 21¾ in (55 cm).

Instructions

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 row is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Band

Yarn A, denim blue.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 4.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	**(3 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), sk next st, dc in next st	**(2 dc, 1 ch-1 sp)**
☐ **Row 3**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in same st, ch 1, dc in next dc	**(3 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 4**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in same st, **[**ch 1, dc in next dc**] 2 times**	**(4 dc, 3 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 5**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in same st, **[**ch 1, dc in next dc**] 3 times**	**(5 dc, 4 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 6**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in same st, **[**ch 1, dc in next dc**] 4 times**	**(6 dc, 5 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 7 to 29**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in next dc, **[**ch 1, dc in next dc**] 4 times**	**(6 dc, 5 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 7 to 29: tick them off as you go.

☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24 ☐ 25 ☐ 26 ☐ 27 ☐ 28 ☐ 29

☐ **Row 30**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in next dc, **[**ch 1, dc in next dc**] 2 times**, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc	**(5 dc, 4 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 31**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc	**(4 dc, 3 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 32**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), dc in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc	**(3 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 33**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), sk next dc, dc in next dc	**(2 dc, 1 ch-1 sp)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st	**(3 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

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Tie: make 2

Yarn A, denim blue.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 35.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	**(34 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing.	

Sunflower

Yarns in order of use: B, brown; C, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 hdc in ring, sl st in first hdc to join	**(10 hdc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, hdc in same st, 2 hdc in next st, **[**hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	**(15 hdc)**
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join C with sl st in any st, (ch 2, cluster, picot, ch 2, sl st) in same st, **[**(sl st, ch 2, cluster, picot, ch 2, sl st) in next st**] 14 times**	**(15 clusters, 15 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing.	

Back petals

Yarn D, amber.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 10 hdc in ring, sl st in first hdc to join	**(10 hdc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, hdc in same st, 2 hdc in next st, **[**hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first hdc to join	**(15 hdc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, ch 1, **[**sc in next st, ch 1**] 14 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(15 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-1 sp, (ch 2, cluster, picot, ch 2, sl st) in same sp, **[**(sl st, ch 2, cluster, picot, ch 2, sl st) in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**	**(15 clusters, 15 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Finishing

- Block: pin the band straight on a flat surface, its mesh square, and pin out every point of the sunflower and the back petals, right sides up. Spray the pieces with water and let them dry.
- Ties: lay the band with its foundation at the left and its last row at the right. Either side may be up; that side is the right side. Sew one tie to each narrow end: the end of the tie with its fastening off goes on the middle one of the 3 sc, with the tail of the tie. Each tie is about 9¾ in (25 cm) long.
- Back petals: lay them on the right side of the band, right side up, with the magic ring halfway between the two long edges and 6 in (15 cm) from the narrow end at the left. Sew them down with their tail, all round through the sc of Rnd 3, and leave the points free.
- Sunflower: lay it on the back petals, right side up, magic ring on magic ring, turned so that the amber points show between the gold ones. Sew it down with its tail, all round through the hdc of Rnd 2, and leave the points free.
- Eye: with D, sew 15 French knots on the brown center, 5 of them evenly on a circle ¼ in (0.6 cm) from the magic ring and 10 evenly on a circle 5/8 in (1.6 cm) from it.
- To wear it, tie the two ties together in a bow. The sunflower then lies to the left of the middle, as you look at the front.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 5 pieces.

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