

Quick Winter Headband

Materials:

• 1 ½ oz (40 g) worsted weight yarn

• 4.25 mm hook

Yarn needle

Finished Size:

 \sim 3 inches wide before edging \sim 17 inches not including ties

Gauge:

4 stitches/4 rows per inch (Exact gauge is not necessary, just close)

Ch 4

Row 1: sc in 2nd ch and across, ch 1, turn

Row 2: (2 sc) in 1^{st} st, sc 1, (2 sc) in last ch, ch 1, turn

Row 3: sc across, ch 1, turn

Row 4: (2 sc) in 1st st, sc to next to last st, (2 sc) in last st, ch 1, turn

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until you have 13 stitches. Work one row of plain sc.

Grit Stitch: (Any stitch pattern can be used, but the grit stitch makes a really nice headband.)

Row 1: ch 1, (sc, dc) in first stitch, skip one stitch, *(sc, dc) in next stitch, skip one stitch, repeat from *, sc in last st.

Row 2: ch 1, turn, (sc, dc) in first sc, skip dc, *(sc, dc) in next sc, skip dc, repeat from *, sc in last sc.

Repeat Row 2 for pattern.

Work your pattern until it reaches approximately 12 inches from the start of your pattern (do not count the sc). If your stitch stretches a lot (like sc rib), you may want to work less than 12 inches.

When you finish your pattern stitches, continue:

R1 (of decreases): Sc dec 2 st, sc to last 2 st, sc dec, ch 1, turn R2: sc across, ch 1, turn

Repeat these Rows 1 and 2 until you have 3 stitches remaining. Now you are ready to do the sc border and ties. Read the entire next section before you begin.

Ch 1, sc around the headband. Sc 3 in corners. When you reach the 3 sc at each end, sc in 1^{st} 2 stitches, then ch approx 7 inches. Slip stitch in 2^{nd} ch and across. When you reach the base, sc in the 2^{nd} ch again, then continue around. When you get back to where you started, join to the first sc with a slip stitch. You may want to ss once more for extra stability. Fasten off and weave in ends.