

Days of Summer Headband

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This lacy headband is perfect for keeping your tresses pulled back during the hot days of summer. I chose a bright, colorful yarn in a cotton-mix that will pep up any outfit and won't make your head warmer than it already is with the summer sun beating down on it.

The headband is a quick knit, taking just a few hours from start to finish using worsted weight yarn and size 7 needles. While originally designed to fit an adult, this headband is easily converted to fit a child by simply casting on less stitches and making shorter I-cords (see [INSTRUCTIONS](#)).

YARN

1 ball GGH Cadiz (51% cotton/33% acrylic/16% rayon; 73yds/50g), in color 5 (blues, green, yellow and purple). One ball will make an adult-sized headband and a child-sized headband, with yarn to spare.



NEEDLES

US 7 (4.5mm) needles.

US 7 (4.5mm) set of 2 dpns (for I-cord).

Darning needle to finish.

GAUGE

4.5 sts = 1" in lace patt.

FINISHED SIZES

Adult Size: approx 1.5" wide and 37" long.

Child Size: approx 1.5" wide and 29" long.



NOTES

The main body of the headband—the part that will sit on top of your head and span from ear to ear—is knit back and forth over 49 sts (child-size) or 57 sts (adult-size) for 10 rows. Those 10 rows are comprised of 8 rows of a lace pattern with 2 rows of seed stitch—one at the beginning and one at the end—to keep the headband edges from curling. The ties for the headband are created by picking up sts along the short ends (that would be near your ears), knitting a small triangle to segue from the headband's main body to its ties, and then making I-cords for the ties.

If you don't have double-pointed needles or don't want to make an I-cord, you could make the headband ties by crocheting chains at each end of the headband.



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HEADBAND INSTRUCTIONS

For the adult-sized headband, CO 57 sts; for a child's headband, CO 49 sts.

Beginning seed st row (WS): *k1, p1; rep from * to end. Begin lace patt and rep twice (8 rows in lace patt).

Lace Pattern

Row 1 (RS): k1, *yo, k2tog; rep from * to end.

Rows 2 & 4: p.

Row 3: k2, *yo, k2tog; rep from * to last st, k1.

Ending seed st row: *p1, k1; rep from * to end. BO pwise and secure by passing entire ball of yarn through loop of last st, but DO NOT cut yarn.

Headband Ties

With yarn still attached where you BO and WS facing, pick up and k 6 sts across the short end of the headband (where you just BO).

Row 1 (RS): ssk, k2, k2tog (4 sts remain).

Row 2: k.

Row 3: ssk, k2tog (2sts remain).

Rows 4 & 5: k.

With 2 remaining sts, make I-cord for 11.5" for an adult's headband or 8.5" for a child's headband (or for whatever length is necessary to fit around your/your child's head). BO kwise. Cut yarn leaving 6" tail, secure last st and weave in end.

At opposite short end of headband, with WS facing, reattach yarn and pick up and k 6 sts and complete as above for first tie.

ABBREVIATIONS

approx	approximately	mm	millimeter(s)	st(s)	stitch(es)
BO	bind off	p	purl	WS	wrong side
CO	cast on	patt	pattern	yd(s)	yard(s)
dpns	double-pointed needles	RS	right side	*	repeat starting point
g	gram(s)	ssk	slip one stitch knitwise, slip another stitch knitwise, then knit both stitches together through their back loops		
k	knit				
kwise	knitwise, as if to knit				
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together				



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