

Mixin' it Up Headband

Crochet Version

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Materials:

- A November 2015 Beanie Bag which includes 20 yards each of the following Shibui Yarns: Cima (C), Maai (M), Pebble (P), Staccato (ST) or scrap yarns ranging in weight from lace to DK.
- US E (3.5mm) crochet hook
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends

Gauge:

- Not critical, but for reference you should be getting about 7 stitches and 2 rows per inch in double crochet using the Staccato yarn

Finished Measurements: About 17" long, 3" at widest point; blocked, not including ties

Terms:

ch – chain

yo – yarn over

st – stitch (please note Staccato will be abbreviated as capital ST, “stitch” will always be abbreviated with lowercase st)

dc – double crochet

2dc – double crochet twice in one stitch (increases one stitch)

dc2tog – double crochet 2 stitches together

Directions:

Foundation: using Staccato, ch 7, leaving about a 6" tail

Setup row: Skip first 3 ch (counts as 1 dc), dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next and every ch to end (5 sts)

Row 1: ch 3, skip 1st dc (and 1st dc of every row moving forward), 2dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2dc in next dc, dc in last st (7 sts)

Row 2: ch 4, (skip 1 dc*, dc in next dc, ch 1) twice, sk 1 dc, dc in last st

*this skipped stitch is in addition to the dc being skipped at the beginning of every row

Row 3: ch 3, (dc in ch space, dc in next dc) twice, dc in ch space, dc in last st

The next four rows will be repeated in different yarn combinations, increasing 2 stitches every repeat. The rows are as follows:

Row 1: ch 3, dc in next and every dc to end of the row

Row 2: ch 3, 2dc in next dc, dc in next and every dc to last two sts, 2dc in next dc, dc in last st

Row 3: ch 4, (skip 1 dc, dc in next dc, ch 1) repeat until last 2 sts, skip 1 dc, dc in last st

Row 4: ch 3, (dc in ch space, dc in next dc) to last 2 sts, dc in ch space, dc in last st

These rows will be repeated 4 times in the following combinations:

- 1) Staccato + Cima (continue crocheting with Staccato from the first section and add in Cima)
- 2) Cima + Pebble (break off the Staccato and add Pebble)
- 3) Pebble + Maai
- 4) Maai by itself

After the 4th repeat the headband should be 15 sts across. Crochet the bridge as follows holding Maai and Staccato together:

Row 1: ch 3, dc in next and every dc to end of row

Repeat Row 1 once.

The next four rows will be repeated in different yarn combinations, decreasing 2 stitches every repeat. The rows are as follows:

Row 1: ch 3, dc in next and every dc to end of row

Row 2: ch 4, (skip 1 dc, dc in next dc, ch 1) repeat until last 2 sts, skip 1 dc, dc in last st

Row 3: ch 3, dc2tog*, (dc in ch space, dc in next dc) to last 3 sts, dc2tog**, dc in last st

**the first of the stitches being crocheted together is done in the ch space*

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Row 4: ch 3, dc in next and every dc to end of row

These rows will be repeated 4 times in the following combinations:

- 1) Maai by itself (break off Staccato)
- 2) Maai + Cima
- 3) Cima + Pebble
- 4) Pebble + Staccato
- 5) Staccato by itself

After finishing the last row of the last repeat with Staccato by itself, break off the yarn with about a 6" tail and pull through the last st.

Making and attaching the ties:

With your favorite of the samples, a mixture of each, or whatever you have the most of leftover, cut twelve 10"-12" lengths of yarn. Split into four bundles of three strands each, fold them in half, and make four tassels, two at each end of the headband. Braid each to desired length (holding the 6" tails in so you don't have to weave them in later), and tie off, trimming ends even.

Weave in all of the ends, wet block, and wear!

Note on sizing: This pattern is written in one size, but if you would like to make it longer, add a row or two of dc at the beginning and end using the Staccato (if you are getting approximate gauge, you should have plenty of yarn to do so).

