

Head-Bear Hookup!

~ Moonflower's Simple Crochet Headdress Pattern ~

Materials List

You will need:

- ★ Any size 4 Medium Worsted Weight yarn in your desired color(s) - at least 30 yards if using just one color, or 8 yards of color A and 22 yards of color B if using two colors. (This is for the main body section only, more may be needed if any additional pieces are added for decoration.)
- ★ Crochet hook size H (5.00mm) or I (5.50mm) depending on what yarn you are using.
- ★ Tapestry needle for weaving in yarn ends.
- ★ Scissors for cutting yarns.
- ★ Any bows, ribbons, lace etc. for adding decoration to the main body as desired.

A note about yarns...

This pattern works up well in any worsted weight Medium 4 yarn. However the specific gauge can vary between individual brands, or sometimes even different colors of the same brand, so you may need to increase or decrease the size of your hook to accommodate for this. **Keep in mind that the texture of the yarn will affect the finished look of the headdress overall.**

Here are some examples of common yarns and the hook size they work well with:

- ★ Lily Sugar and Cream cotton yarns: H hook
- ★ RHSS: I hook
- ★ Caron Simply Soft, or Lion Brand Heartland: I hook

Gauge

Gauge is not important for this pattern to work, but checking the length of your foundation chain will help you to get your desired size. You will want the starting chain to measure close to your desired finished length of the headdress, not including the end decorations if you intend to add any. I would recommend shorter main body lengths for pieces that will have added ends, as that can add as much as 3 - 4 inches of extra length overall.

Abbreviations (US Terms)

- ★ ch - Chain
- ★ sc - Single Crochet
- ★ dc - Double Crochet
- ★ sl st - Slip Stitch

On to the pattern!

Foundation chain

Start with color A and Chain 36. (If you want to make a longer finished headdress, add ch 6 to this foundation chain section to create an additional 5 dc cluster group in later rows).

Round 1

Switch to color B

Skip first 2 chains, then [5 dc in 3rd ch from hook, skip 2 ch, sc, skip 2 ch] 6 times. This will make 6 5 dc clusters along the first side. Sc in last ch of foundation row.

Turn to the opposite side of the foundation chain, and sc in same first chain, then resume [skip 2 ch, 5 dc in same ch space as 5 dc cluster of the opposite side, skip 2 ch, sc in same sc space from previous side] 6 times. Sc in last ch of foundation row, then sl st in 1st dc to join.

Round 2

Switch back to color A

sc in back loop AND back bar of dc sts below for all sc in this round

[sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next, sc in next 2, skip st] 6 times to end of row, do not skip st at end, instead make sc, (ch 1), sc in the 2 sts at the end, then continue [sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next, sc in next 2, skip st] across other side to end of row. Then sc, ch 1, sl st into first ch 1 of color A.

Round 3

Switch to color B

sc in back loop ONLY of sc below for all sc in this round

[sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2, sl st in next] 6 times to end of row. Do not sl st at the end of last group, instead sc in next 4 sts at end cap. Continue [sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2, sl st] 6 times across other side to end of row. Do not make last sl st, instead sc to end of round. Sl st into first sc.. Break yarns and weave in any remaining tail ends.

That completes the main body of the headdress!

Now you can add motifs and decorate however you wish. (This is NOT necessary to finish the headdress if you like the look as is.) Here are some resources for basic things you can add, but the sky's the limit!

Lace-like Border

Using a fine decorative yarn, (embroidery floss works as well but you will need a spool of it as individual skeins are generally too short) and a small D (3.25mm) or E (3.50mm) sized hook, attach yarn at one end and begin a pattern of [sc, ch 2, sc] in the back loop only of each sc st of the previous round. Sl st into first sc, break yarn and weave in ends.

Basic Star

<https://www.stitching-together.com/simple-stars/>

Simple Heart

<https://loopsandlovecrochet.com/2019/01/12/easy-crochet-hearts/>

Pom-Poms

This sounds silly but can be really cute in the right application. Pom-pom makers are used in the video but forks or cardboard rings work well enough.

<https://www.aubreeoriginals.com/how-to-make-fluffy-pom-poms/>

Succulents

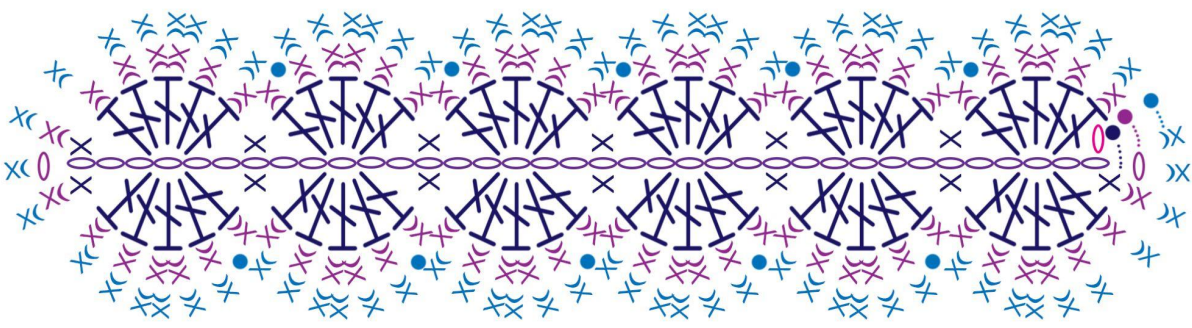
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Non-crochet items

Ribbon bows, beads, and embroidered embellishments can be added if you like, but take care to hide the threads under the crochet stitches so that they are not visible on the surface while worn (especially true of the dc sts). Alligator clips, hair combs, or ribbons can be sewn to each end to hold the headdress on, or it can be simply bobby pinned on the head through the holes in the crochet stitches.

Chart for the main body pattern:

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 = Double Crochet (dc)	 = Single Crochet (sc)	 = Single Crochet Back loop AND Bar
 = Chain Stitch (ch)	 = Slip Stich (sl)	 = Single Crochet Back loop only