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What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®: 1 ball each 9401 Elephant A, 9702 Strawberry B, and 9590 Lavender C

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 5mm [H-8 US] and 6mm [J-10 US]

Yarn needle

GAUGE: Gauge is not critical for this project.



RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®, Art. E746 available in solid

colors – 5oz (142g), 256yd (234m) or multi colors – 4oz (113g), 204yd (187m) balls



Bloomin' Baby Headband

Add a big feminine flower for an adorable way to accessorize baby's wardrobe. This flower is crocheted with petals in two colors and attached to crocheted headband. Make this darling headband in different colors to coordinate with all her fashion looks.

Directions are for size Preemie. Changes for sizes Baby and Toddler are in parentheses. Headband will stretch to fit various head sizes.

Circumference: 10 (13, 16)" [25.5

(33, 40.5) cm]

Width: 11/4 (11/4, 11/4)" [3, (3, 3) cm]

Special Technique

Adjustable-ring method—Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yo (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring. After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

HEADBAND

With smaller hook and **A**, ch 9 tightly. **Row 1:** Slip st in 6th ch from hook, ch 3, skip next 2 ch, slip st in last ch; turn—2 ch-3 spaces.

Row 2: Ch 3, slip st in first ch-space, ch 3, slip st in next ch-space; turn.

Repeat Row 2 until headband measures 10 (13, 16)" [25.5 (33, 40.5) cm] long. Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing.

FLOWER

With smaller hook and B, ch 2.

Round 1 (wrong side): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first sc, turn.

Round 2 (right side): Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc; join with slip st in first sc—12 sc. Do not turn.

Round 3: Working in front loops only, (slip st, 2 hdc, dc, tr, ch 1, tr, dc, 2 hdc, slip st) in first sc, slip st in next sc, *(slip st, 2 hdc, dc, tr, ch 1, tr, dc, 2 hdc, slip st) in next sc; repeat from * around—6 small petals. Do not join in first st. Fasten off.

Round 4: With right side facing and larger hook, join C with slip st in back loop of any st, ch 2, working in back loops only, *slip st in next st, ch 2; repeat from * to beginning ch; join with slip st in first st—12 ch-2 spaces.

Round 5: (Hdc, dc, tr, ch 2, tr, dc, hdc) in each ch-2 space (large petal made); join with slip st in first st—12 large petals. Fasten off.

CENTERPIECE

With smaller hook and **A**, make a small adjustable ring.

Round 1: Ch 2, *[yo, insert hook in ring, pull up a loop, yo, draw through 2 loops] 4 times (5 loops on hook); yo, draw through all 5 loops; repeat from * twice. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Gently pull beginning tail to close ring tightly. Weave end tail through tops of loops and pull gently to form a ball.

FINISHING

Sew short ends of headband together. Thread tails of centerpiece through Round 1 of flower and then through headband so flower covers seam. Secure flower in place. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; hdc = half double crochet; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch (es); tr = treble (triple) crochet; yo = yarn over; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated

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