



LW3974



EASY

knitting

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### What you will need:

RED HEART® Boutique Midnight®:  
1 ball 1937 Moonlight

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:  
5.5mm [US 9] and 6mm [US 10],  
two 6mm [US 10] double pointed  
needles (for I-cord).

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:  
6 mm [J-10 US] (optional for  
provisional cast-on)

Yarn needle, two 1 1/8" (28.5 mm)  
wooden buttons, sewing needle  
and matching thread

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4" (10cm); 24  
rows = 4" (10 cm) in pattern  
on larger needles. CHECK YOUR  
GAUGE. Use any size needles to  
obtain the gauge.

### Buy Yarn



RED HEART® Boutique  
Midnight®, Art. E786,  
Available in 2.5 oz  
(70 g), 153 yd (140 m)  
balls



## Button Up Knit Headband

*You don't have to worry about the headband not being the right size...just place the buttons at your perfect comfort place! Knit in yarn with a bit of sparkle, you'll love the way you look and feel in this headband.*

Headband measures 3 1/2" x 23" (9 x 58.5 cm), unbuttoned

### Special Stitches

**kfb** (knit into front and back) = Knit next st but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same st and remove from needle.

**ssk** = Slip next 2 sts, one at a time as if to knit, to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of sts, knit these sts together through back loop.

### Special Techniques

**Provisional Cast on** = With crochet hook and waste yarn of contrasting color, make 4 chains more than required number of cast on sts. Fasten off loosely through last chain to avoid unraveling. Turn chains so back bars are facing, skipping first 2 chains, \*insert needle under chain, wrap working yarn knitwise, pick up a st; repeat from \* until number of cast on sts are made. Knit rows as directed. When knitting is completed for first side of headband, carefully unravel the provisional cast-on and place each live stitch onto the needle.

**I-Cord** = Place sts on double pointed needle, \*knit all the sts, do not turn work. Slide all the sts to opposite end of needle. Carry yarn tightly across back of work, and knit all the sts; repeat from \* until I-cord is worked to desired rows or length.

### Notes

1. Headband is worked flat from center out to buttonhole loop ends, then seamed along the back.
2. Cinching band is worked flat on smaller needles, wrapped around headband at midsection, and tacked in place.
3. Buttonholes cross at back of headband and loop over buttons. Buttons are worn at nape of neck.

## HEADBAND

### First Side

With larger needles and optional provisional cast on method, cast on 30 sts.

**Row 1 (right side):** Knit.

**Row 2:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Rows 3–40:** Repeat Rows 1 and 2 nineteen times.

**Row 41:** Knit.

**Row 42:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Row 43:** K1, k2tog twice, knit to last 5 sts, ssk twice, k1—26 sts.

**Row 44:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Row 45:** Knit.

**Rows 46–49:** Repeat last 4 rows—22 sts.

**Row 50:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Row 51:** K1, k2tog twice, knit to last 5 sts, ssk twice, k1—18 sts.

**Row 52–57:** Repeat last 2 rows 3 more times—6 sts.

**Row 58:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Row 59:** Bind off 3 sts, k3—3 sts.

### I-Cord Buttonhole Loop

Change to two double pointed needles. Working over 3 remaining sts, knit 19 rows of I-cord. To finish, leave the sts at the left needle tip, pass the 2nd and 3rd sts over the first st and off the needle. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing, and pull the tail end through the last loop to secure.

### Second Side

Carefully unravel waste yarn from provisional cast on and place working sts on larger needle (see Special Techniques).

Repeat Rows 1-59 and I-cord buttonhole loop from first side. Cut yarn, leaving 18" (45.5 cm) tail for sewing.

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**FINISHING HEADBAND**

On first side, sew the end of the I-cord to the 3 bound off sts in Row 59 to complete the buttonhole loop. Repeat on second side, then, with wrong sides facing, hold the edges of the headband together lengthwise and whipstitch. Weave in ends.

**CINCHING BAND**

Using smaller needles, cast on 6 sts.

**Row 1 (right side):** Knit.

**Row 2:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Rows 3 and 4:** Repeat Rows 1 and 2.

**Row 5:** K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1—8 sts.

**Row 6:** K2, p4, k2.

**Rows 7 and 8:** Repeat Rows 1 and 2.

**Row 9:** Repeat Row 5—10 sts.

**Rows 10-13:** Repeat last 2 rows twice—14 sts.

**Row 14:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Row 15:** K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1—12 sts.

**Rows 16 and 17:** Repeat last 2 rows—10 sts.

**Row 18:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

**Row 19:** Knit.

**Rows 20-23:** Repeat Rows 14 and 15 twice—6 sts.

**Row 24:** K1, purl to last st, k1.

Bind off, leaving long tail.

**FINISHING**

With yarn needle, gather midsection of headband by weaving length of yarn in and out, pulling tightly, and securing. Wrap the cinching band around the gathered section and sew ends together; tack band in place to underside of headband. Center each button on top side 6" (15 cm) (or at desired distance) from end of each buttonhole loop and sew. Weave in ends.

**ABBREVIATIONS**

**k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **p** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.



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