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Crochet pattern for a crown



Size: circumference about 46 cm or 18 inches

Materials:

Yarn: Light sport weight cotton or cotton blend, such as Premier Yarns Cotton Fair (52 % cotton, 48 % acrylic)

Optional: metallic embroidery thread, held together with the yarn, such as DMC metallic embroidery thread, color light silver.

Hook: 3.5 mm

Other: Stiffening media, such as Mod Podge Stiffy, starch spray, or sugar solution

Bling: to taste, e.g., glass or plastic beads size 10 or larger, e.g., 16 clear and 8 colored beads

Abbreviations: CH chain stitch; SL slip stitch; SC single crochet; DC double crochet; TC treble crochet

Gauge: Make a gauge swatch by crocheting rounds 1-5 (below) over 13 stitches (do not join in the round). One repeat (12 s) will be about 5.8 cm or 2 ¼ inches wide.

Instructions:

Round 1. CH 96s, join in the round with SL. (You can adjust size by adding or subtracting multiples of 12 stitches.)

Round 2. CH 3s, DC 1 in each of the next 95 CH stitches of the previous round. Join with SL.

Round 3. Repeat round 2.

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- Round 4. CH 5s, *skip 2, DC 1 in the third stitch of the previous round, CH 2s*, repeat *-* all the way around. Join with SC to the 3rd stitch of the initial CH 5s.
- Round 5. *DC 5 into the next DC of the previous round, SC into the second DC of the previous round*, repeat *-* all the way around.
- Round 6. SL3 (end up at the center top of the first cluster), *CH 7s, SC to the center of the next cluster of the previous round*, repeat *-* all the way around. IF USING BEADS: after you pull the SC loop through the center stitch of the cluster, thread a bead over the metallic thread loop. Place the loop back on the hook and continue to crochet as usual. Total 16 beads on this round.
- Round 7. SL3 (end up at the center top of the first arch), *CH 4s, TC into the center of the next arch, CH 7s, TC into the same center stitch, CH 4s, SC to the center of the next arch*, repeat *-* all the way around. IF USING BEADS: after you pull the SC loop through the center stitch of the arch, thread a bead over the metallic thread loop. Continue to crochet as usual. Total 8 beads on this round.
- Round 8. *SC 4s, SL1 at the top of the TC of the previous round, SC 4s, *into the leg of the last SC stitch*: **CH 3s, SL1, CH 5s, SL1, CH 3s, SL1**, SC 3s, SL1 at the top of the TC of the previous round, SC 4s*, repeat *-* all the way around.
- Round 9. Weave in ends. Place the crown over a suitable size cylinder or cone (I used a large roll of paper towel covered with a plastic bag). Stiffen with a suitable media, such as Mod Podge Stiffy, starch spray, or sugar solution. Allow to dry in place. Re-apply as needed. If you're not concerned about a choking hazard (children under 3 yrs), you can add more beads or jewels at this point by sewing or gluing.

