GOLDSWORTHY
Creations

Braided Tam

Notes

This tam contains 6 braids radiating from the center and a pom pom at the top.

The headband is optional if you want a more classic beret style.

This pattern is possible to do in a single skein of yarn but you can optionally do the headband in a separate colour.

The work might start to curl up, this is OK and should fall into place when you do the decreases (forcing it to curl in the other direction).

Glossary

bpdc = Back-Post Double Crochet
bptc = Back-Post Trebble Crochet
dcdec = Double Crochet Decrease
dcinc = Double Crochet Increase
dc = Double Crochet
fpdc = Front-Post Double Crochet
fptc = Front-Post Trebble Crochet
hdc = Half-Double Crochet
MC = Magic Circle
sc = Single Crochet
st(s). = Stitch(es)

Pattern

8 ply yarn, 4 mm hook

Each round starts with a ch 2 (except round 1) and ends with sl st into the top of that chain

1. sc 12 in MC (12)
2. [dcinc, dc] x 6 (18)

3. [skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2, dc (in prev. st.), dc (in next st.)] x 3 (24)
4. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the prev. 2 st.)}, dc (in prev. st.), cinc 2, dc (in next st.)] x 3 (36)

5. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dc (in prev. st)] x 6 (42)
6. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the prev. 2 st.)}, dc 3 (in same st.)] x 6 (54)
7. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dc, dcinc, dc] x 6 (60)
8. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcinc, dc 2, dcinc] x 6 (72)
9. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dc 2, dcinc, dc 3] x 6 (78)

10. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcinc, dc 5, dcinc] x 6 (90)
11. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dc 4, dcinc, dc 4] x 6 (96)
12. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcinc, dc 8, dcinc] x 6 (108)
13. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dc 5, dcinc, dc 6] x 6 (114)
14. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcinc, dc 11, dcinc] x 6 (126)
15. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., 2 fpdc 2}, dc 7, dcinc, dc 7] x 6 (132)
16. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcinc, dc 14, dcinc] x 6 (144)

17. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dc 8, dcdec, dc 8] x 6 (138)
18. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcdec, dc 13, dcdec] x 6 (126)
19. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dcdec, dc 11, dcdec] x 6 (114)
20. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcdec, dc 9, dcdec] x 6 (102)
21. [{skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts., fpdc 2}, dcdec, dc 7, dcdec] x 6 (90)
22. [{fpdc 2, skip 2 st., fptc 2, fptc in skipped sts. (behind the previous 2 st.)}, dcdec, dc 5, dcdec] x 6 (78)

Switch to 5 mm hook

23. hdc (front loops only) in each stitch (78)
24. hdc in each stitch (78)
25. hdc in each stitch (78)
26. hdc in each stitch (back loops only) (allows for a sharper edge when folded) (78)
27. hdc in each stitch (78)
28. hdc in each stitch (78)

Switch hook size (5 mm is recommended) size and tension will heavily affect the final tightness of the headband

29. Fold the band in half so it's 2 layers thick, slip st. through both layers*, tie off (78)

*Weave the yarn around the posts on the outside and through the loops of the st. on the inside

Make a small pom pom and sew to the centre of the top

DC

TC

HDC

23 - 28

17 - 22

5 - 16

1 - 4

6x

3x