



Broomstick Lace Headband

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The name of the broomstick lace stitch comes from the fact that originally it was created using a broomstick. Basically all you need to create this stitch is a stick of some sort, however, most often; people employ a large knitting needle. When I have used a smaller crochet hook for the single crochets, I have used the end of a large crochet hook. Anything around the house will do (a tutorial on Repiny uses a Popsicle stick), just try out one stitch and see how you feel about the proportions.

Materials:

10 - 20 yards Yarn of your choice Hook recommended by yarn manufacturer Hook/Knitting Needle/Stick with a diameter at least 2X the diameter of your hook, preferably larger Button that will fit through one of the stitches

Abbreviations:

CH = Chain SC = Single Crochet ST = Stitch YO = Yarn Over

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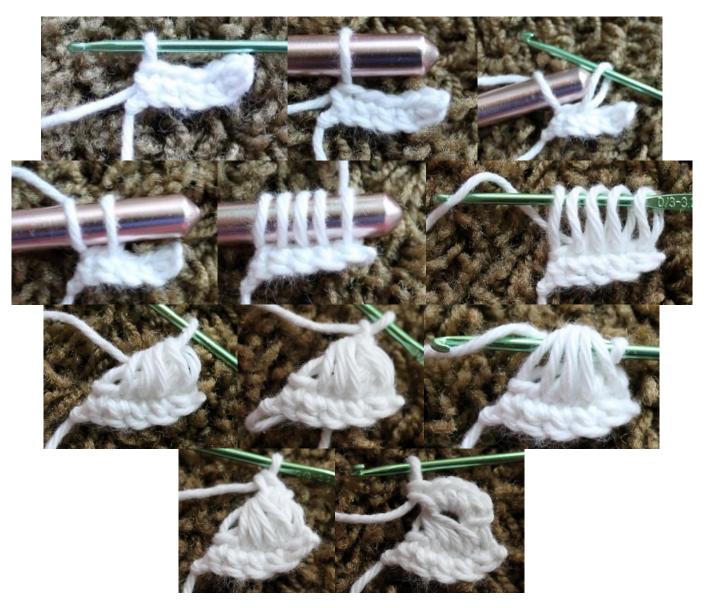
Pattern:

Row 1: CH6, SC in the 2nd ch from the hook, SC in remaining 4sts

Row 2: Pull the loop on your hook to make it big, then insert your stick into the loop, *insert your hook into the next stitch and pull up a loop, then put that loop onto the stitck, repeat from * with remaining 3sts. You should have 5 loops on your stick and no loops on your hook.

Row 3: Carefully insert your hooks into the 5 loops on your stick, YO and pull through the 5 loops, CH1, holding the loops in place, SC5 in thourgh the 5 loops

Repeat rows 2 and 3 until you reach your desired length and bind off. Keep in mind that your yarn will probably stretch at least a little bit, so ending 1 or 2 stitches early wouldn't be the worst idea. Sew on button and weave in loose ends.



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