



KAKTUS
HEADBAND



SIZE

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MEASUREMENTS

Circumference: 52 cm

Width: 11.5 cm

YARN

CHUNKY ANDEAN WOOL (100 m/ 50 g)

50 g. Gentle 6042

GAUGE

15 sts x 34 rows in brioche st

NEEDLES

Circular or jumper needles 5.5 mm

EXTRAS

Pom pom maker ca. 6,5 cm

KAKTUS HEADBAND is a nice thick headband in brioche stitch with a pom pom to spice it up. Chunky knits are fast to knit so you will be ready for winter in no time.

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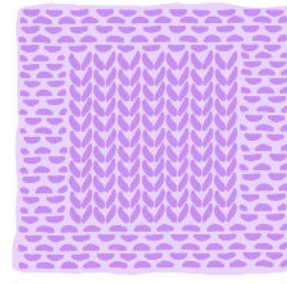
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ABBREVIATIONS**k** = knit**p** = purl**st(s)** = stitch(es)**SS** = Selvedge Stitches - 2 sts.**WS** = wrong side**RS** = right side**wyif** = with the yarn in front of the work.**YO** = Yarn Over (wrap the yarn over the needle)**Slip sts** = enter the stitch as if to purl it and slide to the left needle.**Brioche-k** = Knit the slipped st and the YO over together**GAUGE SWATCH**

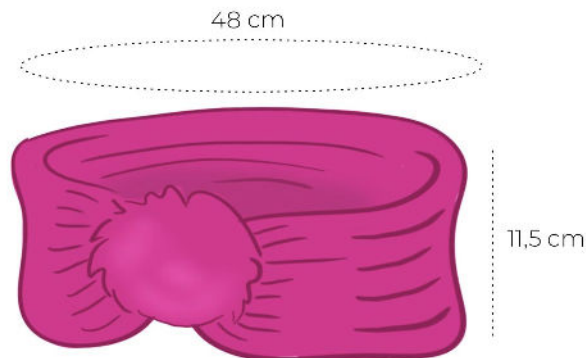
For a good result, you need to make a gauge swatch. You might need more yarn to finish if the gauge is off. A difference of a single stitch per 10 cm can easily give a difference of 5-10 cm on the finished garment.

The gauge describes how many stitches you need per 10 cm horizontally on the swatch, and how many rows/rounds you need per 10 cm vertically. If the number of stitches on your sample is too large compared to the pattern, switch to a larger needle. Switch to a smaller needle if the number of stitches is too low. Wash your sample and measure when dry.



Number of stitches
per 10 cm

Number of
rows/rounds
per 10 cm



PATTERN

The headband is knitted in 1 strand of Chunky Andean Wool and first worked in rib stitch, then in brioche stitch and finished in rib stitch. There are 2 selvedge stitches (SS) at the beginning and end of the row, which are knit on the right side and slipped wyif on the wrong side. The pom pom is attached to the middle of the band.

CAST ON (use the start of ITALIAN CAST ON-in the round at www.kaosyarn.dk/en/knitting-guide)

Cast on 19 sts with provisional cast on around a stitch holder cord or an ordinary rubber band (the band is cut later).

Make sure to have a yarn end of 25 cm for later. First make a knot around the cord/band and cast on by catching the yarn respectively over and under the cord/band. Turn the work and knit from the purl side:

Purl side: Slip 2 sts wyf (SS), * k 1, p 1*, repeat *-* to the last 3 stitches, k 1, slip 2 sts wyif (SS).

Knit 4 rows of rib st by repeating Rib Row 1 + Rib Row 2:

Rib Row 1 (RS): k 2 (SS), * p 1, k 1*, repeat *-* to last 3 stitches, p 1, k 2 (SS).

Rib Row 2: slip 2 sts wyf (SS), * k 1, p 1*, repeat *-* to the last 3 stitches, k 1, slip 2 sts wyif (SS).

BRIOCHE

Knit in brioche st from here - as a guide you can place a stitch marker in both sides to mark the SS. Note that it takes 2 rows of brioche st to knit all stitches on the needle.

Set up rows:

Right side: k 2 (SS), YO+1 slip st, *k 1, YO+1 slip st*. Repeat *-* to the last 2 stitches, k 2 (SS)

Wrong side: slip 2 sts wyf (SS), brioche-k 1, *YO+1 slip st, brioche-k 1*. Repeat *-* to the last 2 stitches, slip 2 sts wyf (SS).

Continue in brioche st:

Row 1 (right side): k 2 (SS), YO+1 slip st, *brioche-k 1, YO+1 slip st*, Repeat from *-* to the last 2 sts, k 2 (SS).

Row 2: slip 2 sts wyf (SS), brioche-k 1, *YO+1 slip st, brioche-k 1*. Repeat from *-* to the last 2 sts, slip 2 sts wyf (SS).

Repeat **Row 1 + Row 2** a total of 73 times until the band measures 45 cm.

RIB ENDING

Repeat **Rib Row 1 + Rib Row 2** to a total of 6 rows. The last row is worked on the purl side.

Break the yarn and bring the yarn end through all the stitches and pull the stitches together.

FINISHING

Sew the yarn end from the cast on edge through the stitches a couple of times and sew the two ends of the headband together by stitching through all bind off and cast on stitches a couple of times. Continue to stitch the band together on each side the connected ends and make a 3 cm wide seam. Attach the pom pom to the middle of the seam and wash the headband, squeeze it free of water and let it dry lying flat on a towel.

POM POM

I recommend making the pom pom with a pom pom maker size 6,5. You can also make them on an empty paper towel roll by wrapping yarn around it, tying a string around the bundle, cutting up the two ends and trimming it round. It causes a lot more yarn waste than the pom pom maker though. Follow the instructions for your pom pom maker.

