Old Shale Headband



I used a worsted wool blend of yarn so that it would be nice and warm while still being able to hold it's shape.

When casting on your yarn place a marker every 20 stitches. 3 makers of one color and 1 marker of a contrasting color. The contrasting colored marker should be placed at the starting point of the row this way it's easy for you to keep track of every time you complete a round. If I want to make the headband a little smaller I place the marker ever 19 stitches and drop the k1 at the end of repetition on row 3.

The stitch is by no means an original design; it is just an adaptation of the Old Shale lace stitch that has been around for generations. I hope you like it.

Well, on to the pattern...

The Pattern

Co 80 st (Be sure not to twist)

Row 1: k to end of round

Row 2: p to end of round

Row 3: (k1 (k2tog)3 (yo,k1)6 (k2tog)3 k1) repeat to end of round.

Row 4: k to end of round

Repeat rows 1 through 4 a total of 4 complete rounds.

Bind off and weave in the ends.

If you enjoy this pattern please consider knitting one or more for the Loved and Found Project.

Happy knitting.

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