

## Pretty Baby Headband

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I've been asked about this little headband a couple of times now so it was time to quit putting it off and re-write the pattern. This little headband was worked up a few years ago and it was the first time I tried to write instructions on how to knit a project I had created. I can't really call the original write up a pattern because the instructions were really a "how I made this" type of thing. But it gave me the courage to start off on pattern writing and share more fun little designs with others. The original headband was created on two different looms. The Knifty Knitter pink long loom and the Knifty Knitter Flower Loom. I've revised the headband to use only the Flower Loom. It's still as sweet and you only need one loom to make it now 😊

When recreating this headband, I stumbled along a little lesson. The double knit version that can be created on the long loom had a nice edging on both the front edge and the back edge of the headband. I wanted a nice edging for the re-written band too. I decided to work in garter stitch and slip the first stitch of every row. It didn't take long to see that the purl stitch didn't create the same look when slipped as the knitted stitch did. And so, you'll see I've added a knit stitch at the end of each purl row. This solved that little issue and made both the front and back edge of the headband look the same 😊 I hope you'll make a sweet little headband for your favorite little girlies:

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You will need:

Knifty Knitter Flower Loom (peach color) – you will want to glue or secure the pegs in on this loom before trying to knit on it.

Tapestry Needle

Pick Tool

Small amount of worsted weight yarn

#### **Band:**

Work with 2 strands of worsted weight yarn held together as one. Cast on 5 pegs.

Row 1: Skip first peg, knit 4.

Row 2: Skip first peg, purl 3, knit 1.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until the headband reaches the desired length. (15" is a good length for 6 months – 1 year, 17" is good for 2T and 18" for 3T. For other sizes, measure the circumference of the head and knit a band in that length.)

Bind off with the basic knit bind off. Cut the working yarn, leaving a 6" tail for seaming. Sew the cast on edge to the bind off edge. Weave in all ends and set aside.

#### **Flower:**

Work with a single strand of worsted weight yarn. To create the flower, anchor your yarn to the anchor peg on the front of the Flower Loom.

##### 1st set of wraps:

Take the working yarn through the center of the loom, between peg 1 and peg 12. Wrap around peg 6, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 12.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 7, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 1.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 8, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 2.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 9, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 3.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 10, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 4.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 11, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 5.

##### 2nd set of wraps:

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 12, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 6.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 1, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 7.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 2, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 8.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 3, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 9.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 4, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 10.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 5, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 11.

##### 3rd set of wraps:

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 6, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 12.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 7, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 1.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 8, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 2.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 9, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 3.

Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 10, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 4.

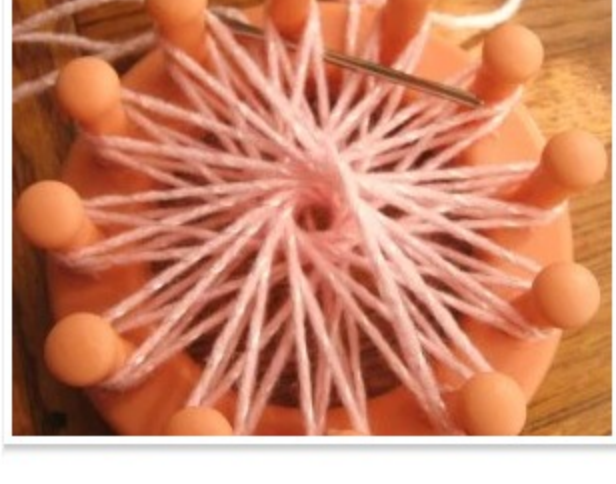
Cross center of loom, wrap around peg 11, cross center of loom and wrap around peg 5.

##### Securing the petals:

Cross the center of the loom one more time. Each peg should have 3 wraps on it now and the working yarn should be between peg 12 and 11. Cut the working yarn, leaving a 20" tail. Thread the yarn tail onto a tapestry needle. (It helps to anchor the working yarn on the anchor peg while measuring, cutting and threading it onto the tapestry needle) Secure the flower petals as follows:

##### 1st round:

Run the tapestry needle under the loops on peg 12 and over the loops on peg 1, under 2, over 3, under 4, over 5, under 6, over 7, under 8, over 9, under 10 and over 11.



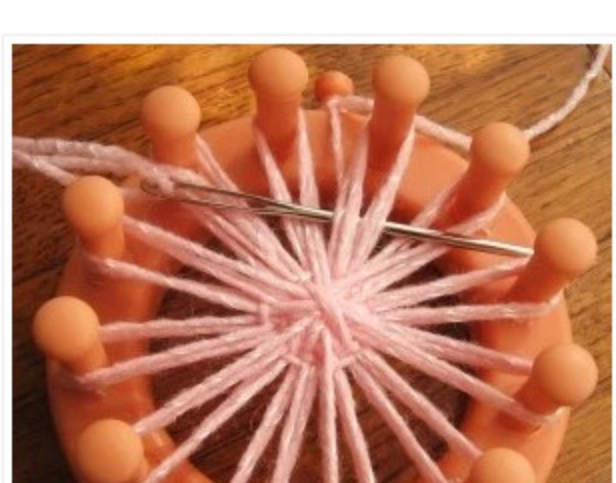
##### 2nd round:

Run the tapestry needle down through the loops on peg 12 and up through the loops on peg 1, down through 2, up through 3, down through 4, up through 5, down through 6, up through 7, down through 8, up through 9, down through 10 and up through 11.



##### 3rd round:

Run the tapestry needle over the loops on peg 12 and under the loops on peg 1, over 2, under 3, over 4, under 5, over 6, under 7, over 8, under 9, over 10 and under 11.



##### Finishing:

This is what your finished flower will look like. Remove it from the loom by picking each set of loops up and over the top of the pegs.



Sew the longest yarn tail through the underside of the finished flower so there is a yarn tail on each side of the blossom. Use the yarn tails to tie the flower to the headband. Weave the yarn tails in on the underside of the headband and clip. Finished!