

# Río Loco Headband



This headband features an undulating lace pattern which highlights the vibrant colors of Curious Creek Serengeti. This machine-washable merino yarn is great for gifts. You can make 2 headbands from 1 skein.

## Skill Level

Intermediate: skills include invisible CO, directional decreases, grafting

## Size

one size to fit head 21.5 inches around  
(measured where headband will be worn)

## Finished measurements (after blocking)

Width: 3¼ inches

Length: 18¼ inches

## Yarn

Curious Creek Serengeti, 1 skein  
(shown in Anemone)

## Needles

1 set US #5/3.75mm straight needles  
(or size needed to get gauge)

## Gauge

23 sts/34 rows = 4" in stockinette st

## Notions

Waste yarn for cast on

Tapestry needle

Blocking pins

## Abbreviations:

K2tog: knit 2 together

SSK: slip, slip, knit  
(slip 2 stitches knitwise 1 at a time,  
then knit them together through back loop)

YO: yarn over

## Pattern Notes

The stitch patterns are given as both charts and written instructions. If you're new to charts, you can check yourself with the written version. The work is washed and blocked before grafting for ease of blocking. It will increase in width and decrease in length after blocking.

**Directions**

CO 17 sts using the invisible cast-on method. (You may also use another temporary method such as the provisional crochet cast-on, if you prefer.)

Work 16 rows of chart 9 times. The work should measure approximately 20". For a headband that will cover the ears or accommodate thicker hair or a larger head, work the chart 10 times.

Note: The work will increase in width and decrease in length after blocking.

Place stitches on waste yarn or stitch holder.

Wash and block, pinning out to finished measurements. To achieve a wavy edge, pins should be placed at row 2 of the stitch pattern along the left edge, and at row 10 of the stitch pattern along the right edge.

Place live stitches back on needle. Remove waste yarn from cast-on edge, placing live stitches on other needle as you go. With right side facing, graft the 2 sets of stitches using Kitchner stitch. You may use the 3-needle bind-off if you prefer, but it will create a noticeable seam.

It is possible to graft invisibly in ribbing, as at the edges of the piece. When working the Kitchner stitch, reverse the normal instructions both times the yarn needle passes through a purl stitch. In other words, sew as if to knit the first time through a purl stitch on the front needle, and as if to purl the second time. For purl stitches on the far needle, sew as if to purl the first time through and as if to knit the second time.






Weave in ends.

# Río Loco Stitch Pattern

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Row 1 (WS) and all WS rows: p2, k2, p9, k2, p2  
 Row 2 (RS): k2, p2, yo, k4, ssk, k3, p2, k2  
 Row 4: k2, p2, k1, yo, k4, ssk, k2, p2, k2  
 Row 6: k2, p2, k2, yo, k4, ssk, k1, p2, k2  
 Row 8: k2, p2, k3, yo, k4, ssk, p2, k2  
 Row 10: k2, p2, k3, k2tog, k4, yo, p2, k2  
 Row 12: k2, p2, k2, k2tog, k4, yo, k1, p2, k2  
 Row 14: k2, p2, k1, k2tog, k4, yo, k2, p2, k2  
 Row 16: k2, p2, k2tog, k4, yo, k3, p2, k2

## Chart Key

	K on RS, P on WS
	P on RS, K on WS
	YO
	K2tog
	SSK