Harlequin check headband for women
Free Crochet Pattern from Bandana Heads

Purple and green for international women's day
Celebrate Women's Day with a purple and green harlequin check headband: purple for justice, dignity, self-reverence and self-respect; green for hope and new life.

This free harlequin headband pattern features easy-to-follow instructions that allow you to check your work as you go so you find and fix mistakes immediately. The crochet chart provides quick reference. People for whom English is their second language will find the chart helpful.

USA crochet terminology is used throughout. Read the stitch definitions provided before you begin.

You will need a small amount of 4 ply or baby weight cotton yarn and a 3.00 mm or 3.50 mm crochet hook.
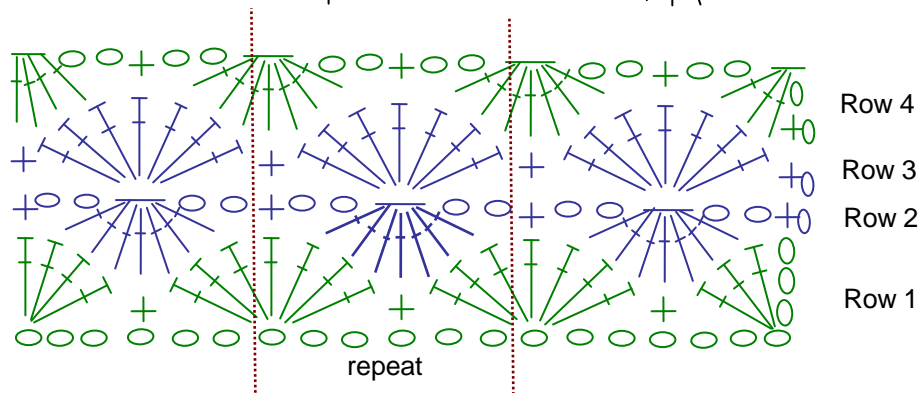
Crochet Stitch Definitions for Hair Accessories
Definitions consistent with USA crochet terminology

Chain stitch	Make a slip knot with a loop just large enough to slip the hook through. Insert hook through loop, *wrap yarn over hook (from back to front of hook), draw through loop. For a series of chains, repeat from * until you have the desired number of chains.
Slip stitch	Insert your hook into the relevant stitch, yarn over hook and draw through stitch and loop on hook in one action
Single crochet	Insert hook into the relevant stitch, yarn over hook and draw through stitch, yarn over hook and draw through the two loops on hook
Double crochet	Yarn over hook before inserting it into the relevant stitch, yarn over hook and draw through stitch, yarn over hook and draw through first two loops on hook, yarn over hook and draw through last two loops on hook.
7 double crochet cluster	Work a double crochet in each of the next 7 stitches leaving the last loop of each on the hook, yarn over hook and draw through 8 loops on hook.

Crochet chart for harlequin check headband

Symbols: ◯ chain ✛ single crochet ⊤ double crochet ⟋⟋⟍⟍ 7 double crochet cluster

Row 4
Row 3
Row 2
Row 1

repeat

Harlequin check crochet headband
Plaited ties for custom fit
Designed by Julz

Use a 3 mm or 3.5 mm crochet hook to achieve the desired size and drape with baby weight or 4 ply cotton

	Instructions for Harlequin headband *Refer to crochet chart for a graphic guide*	Check your work
Foundation chain Green	Keeping a long tail of about 40 centimetres (or 16 inches), work 94 chain. This long tail will form part of a plaited tie.	Are your chains consistent in size? Did you leave a long tail?
Row 1 Green	Work 3 double crochet in 4th chain from hook. * Skip 2 chain, single crochet into next chain, skip 2 chain, 7 double crochet into next chain. Repeat from * ending with 4 double crochet in last chain. Pull through last loop on hook and cut yarn leaving 40 cm tail.	Does each shell have 7 double crochet? Review crochet chart, page 1, for guidance. Did you leave a long tail?
Row 2 Purple	Do not turn. Go back to the beginning of row 1. Pull a loop through the top of the 3 chain, leaving a tail of about 40 cms. Chain 1, single crochet into same stitch. *2 chain, work a 7 double crochet cluster over the next 7 stitches (refer to stitch definitions, page 1), 2 chain, 1 single crochet in next stitch. Repeat from * to end. Pull through last loop on hook and cut yarn leaving 40 cm tail.	Did you change to the second color? Did you leave a long tail each end?
Row 3 Purple	Do not turn. Go back to the beginning of row 2. Pull a loop through the first stitch, leaving a tail of about 40 cms. Chain 1, single crochet into same stitch. * Work 7 double crochet into joining stitch of next cluster, single crochet in next single crochet. Repeat from *. Pull through last loop on hook and cut yarn leaving 40 cm tail.	Do you have 15 purple diamond-like shapes? Did you leave a long tail each end?
Row 4 Green	Do not turn. Go back to the beginning of row 3. Pull a loop through the top of the first stitch, leaving a tail of about 40 cms. Chain 1, single crochet into same stitch, chain 1. Work a 3 double crochet cluster over the next 3 stitches. Continue as row 2, ending with a 4 double crochet cluster over the last 4 stitches. Use the crochet chart, page 1, for quick reference. Work 2 chain, slip stitch into the vertical edge of the headband. Pull through last loop on hook and cut yarn leaving 40 cm tail.	Did you change back to the first color? Did you leave a long tail each end? Did you finish with a slip stitch into the vertical edge of the headband?
Ties	Gently adjust the strands at each end. Add some more strands to give 9 strands each end - cut lengths of yarn 80 cms and double them over. Work 3x3x3 plaits. Knot the end to secure.	If your 2 plaited ties are not even, adjust the knots at the end of the plaits and trim one inch from knot.
Sizing	For a smaller/larger headband subtract 6/add 6 chain to foundation chain	

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