

Sparkling Scrunchie

a free crochet pattern for a holiday hair tie

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Suggested yarn:

One ball of [Dale Garn Gullfasan](#) 90% viscose / 10% polyamid metallic yarn – 1.75oz / 50g ball, 136 yds / 125 m.

Yarn note: *Unlike most metallic yarns, Gullfasan is surprisingly soft and supple, so it works beautifully for both clothing and accessories. BUT...along with that softness comes plenty of slinkiness. Left to its own devices, it's inclined to slink right off the ball! So, don't discard the rubber band that you'll find under the ball band. After you carefully let out several yards of Gullfasan, put the rubber band back on the ball, to keep the yarn from slinking away from you.*

Dale Garn yarns are available through the designer's retail website, www.kidsknits.com.

Suggested crochet hooks:

For main portion of scrunchie:

One size D/3 / 3.25mm hook. (Use whatever size hook gives you pleasing fabric.)

For optional beads:

One size 10 to 12 / 1.3mm to 1.0mm hook (or whatever size is small enough to fit through your beads.)

Notions:

1 elastic hair band. *Optional:* 6/0 "E" size (or larger) glass beads.

Gauge: My samples are about 28 single crochet stitches per 4" / 10cm (i.e., 7 stitches/inch), but gauge is not crucial with this project, so feel free to work your Sparkling Scrunchie at whatever gauge you like best.

Abbreviations:

ch = chain stitch

dc = double crochet stitch

rd = round

rem = remaining

rep = repeat

sc = single crochet stitch

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitches(es)

yo = yarn over

Stitches: *(Using American terminology)*

Chain stitch - Yo, pull yarn through loop on hook.

Double crochet stitch - Yo, insert hook under both top loops of st, yo, pull yarn through st, yo, pull yarn through first two loops on hook, yo, pull yarn through rem two loops on hook.

Single crochet stitch - Insert hook under both top loops of st, yo, pull yarn through st, yo, pull yarn through both loops on hook.

Slip stitch - Insert hook under both top loops of st, yo, pull yarn through both the st on work and the st on hook.

Yarn over – Place yarn over the hook so that it is in position to be moved by the hook.



Cover photo shows Sparkling Scrunchie knit in Gullfasan light silver #4911. Photo at left shows Sparkling Scrunchie knit in Gullfasan dark silver #9861. The type of elastic bands used in the samples can be seen to the right.



Overview:

Here's the pattern in a nutshell: Experienced crocheters might be happy to dive in with just this one line. Below it, you'll find detailed notes leading to the same result.

Sc 60 sts around elastic band. Sc 1 rd. *Dc 3 sts, ch 2 sts, place bead, ch 3 sts, skip next st, rep from * to end of rd.

Instructions

Leaving a tail of about 1" lying toward the left, use a simple half knot to tie the end of the yarn onto an elastic band.

Using the larger hook, cover the elastic band (and the loose end) with sc stitches as follows:

Insert hook through center of ring, front to back, yo, pull yarn back through ring toward you; bring hook above ring (and above the loose end lying to the left, on top of the ring), yo, pull new st through existing st on hook.

*Insert hook through center of ring, front to back, yo, pull yarn back through ring toward you; bring hook above ring (and above the loose end lying to the left, on top of the ring), yo, pull new st through **both** sts on hook. 1 st rem on hook. Repeat from * until you have 60 sts around the ring, working a sl st into the 1st st to join the rd.

Ch 2 sts (counts as 1st sc st in new rd); sc each st to end of rd; work sl st into the 1st st to join the rd.

Ch 3 sts (counts as 1st dc st in new rd), dc 2 sts, * ch 2 sts; switch to small hook, placing it in exactly the same position; place 1 bead on hook, yo, pull yarn through bead and through existing st on hook (1 st rem on hook); switch back to larger hook, placing it in exactly the same position; ch 3 sts, skip over the next st on ring, dc 3 sts, rep from * to end of rd, ending the last rep after the 3 ch sts; work sl st into the 1st st to join the rd. Cut yarn, leaving a couple of inches; pull end through; weave loose end in place.



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