



Clustered Lace Headband



This is Knit with...

Yarn	Debbie Bliss Pure Silk Colour 002
	100% Silk
	125 metres per 50gram skein
Needles	6 mm / US 10
Finished Size	4 inches shorter than head circumference

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ABOUT THE PATTERN:

When I was younger I would often bemoan my frizzy hair. I spent pocket money on expensive hair products, deep conditioned my locks whenever I could and read up on beauty hints and tips in an effort to combat the fuzzies. One magazine suggested tying my hair in a silk scarf at bedtime. The smooth natural fibres of silk are thought to protect the hair from static that other fibres can generate.

I have often found that shop bought headscarves and headbands can leave my hair frazzled with electricity and so I jumped at the opportunity to design a neat and affordable 100% silk headband.

One skein of Debbie Bliss Pure Silk can make up to three of these headbands. This pattern is therefore ideal both for adding a little luxury to your accessories collection and for quick and impressive gift knitting.

INSTRUCTIONS:

This headband combines the lustrous beauty of pure silk with a clustered lace stitch that is easy to achieve yet intricate to the eye.

Each gathered section is achieved by purling three stitches together without slipping those stitches off the left hand needle, then knitting the same three stitches together and finally purling the three stitches together once more. Only then are the stitches slipped off the left hand needle.

Slipped stitches are used at the beginning of each row to produce a neat edge.

The head band is knit to 4 inches shorter than the head circumference to allow for the stretch of both the stitch pattern and silk itself. You may find the headband a little tight at first but it will have stretched out even after the first wear.



Abbreviations:

- DNSS** - Do not slip stitches off left hand needle.
- K3tog** - Knit three stitches together as one.
- P3tog** - Purl three stitches together as one.

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Clustered Lace Headband:

Cast on 15 stitches.

Row 1 (RS): Slip the first stitch knitwise, [K1, P3tog, DNSS, K3tog, DNSS, P3tog and slip stitches off left hand needle] three times, K1, K into the *back* loop of the final stitch.

Row 2 (WS): Slip the first stitch knitwise, purl across to end of row.

These two rows form the stitch pattern. Repeat until the headband is approximately 4 inches shorter than the head circumference of the intended wearer.

Cast off all stitches.

Join the cast on and cast off row using your preferred method.

