MINI DECORATIVE SANTOS CROCHET CROWN

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Materials Needed: #24 size Nylon Crochet Thread (2.0mm thread diameter) or similar size nylon cord/thread, Size *G* or *H* crochet hook, *Delta Ceramcoat* or similar preparation/sealant product, *Mod Podge* or similar sealant, acrylic paint, craft size paint brush of your choice, large Yarn Needle.

I designed pattern to be a stiffened final product using #24 NYLON thread; you can substitute materials/thread/yarn but results will vary.

Tip: #24 *twisted* Nylon Mason Line can also be used: can be found at some hardware stores or online. Choose lighter colors.

Gauge: Seven single crochet per two inches

Repeat pattern between * around.

Stitches to Know:

Picot St: see stitch description page 2

<u>HDC</u> (half double crochet): Yarn over, insert hook in the center of next chain, yarn over, draw yarn through stitch, yarn over, draw yarn through 3 loops on hook.

(Sc/sc is *single crochet*, st. is *stitch*, and Ch. is *chain*, sp is *space*)

Chain 24 then join with slip to stitch to first chain to make a circle (careful to not twist chain)- Leave a 6 inch tail to weave at End of pattern.

Chain should be about 8 inches long.

- 1. Sc in each st around; **3 rounds**. Slip stitch to 1st sc of each round to join. (24 sc)
- 2. Ch. 1, *Sc in first sc, Ch. 2, skip next sc, sc in next sc, Ch. 2*; Repeat * around. Join with slip stitch. (12 Ch. 2 spaces)
- 3. Ch. 1, skip next sc, *HDC 2x, Ch. 1, HDC 2x in Ch. 2 sp., skip next sc*; repeat * around. Join slip st to 1st HDC. (24 HDC st; 4 HDC st. in each Ch. 2 sp.)
- 4. Ch. 1, * 2 sc in chain 1 space, Ch. 1*; Repeat * around. Join with slip stitch. (24 sc; 4 sc in each Ch. 1 sp.)
- 5. *Ch. 3 then Picot St, skip next sc, sc in next sc, sc in next Ch. 1 space*; repeat * around. After last Picot St, skip sc, sc last sc, then join to bottom of 1st Picot St. (12 Picot St)

END.

Leave a 6-inch tail; weave in a few inches *inside* of the crown with yarn needle, cut off extra.

Finished mini crown size: 4 inch diameter, 9 inch circumference at base, 3 inch height. Measurements approximate.

How to Picot Stitch:

Chain 3, insert hook behind the single crochet you started chain 3 from, pull thread through with hook, yarn over and complete a single crochet in same space by pulling the thread through the 2 loops on hook.



Finish Options:

I first use the *Delta Ceramcoat*; apply with a small craft paint brush or foam brush.

I start with applying the sealer/prep to the inside of the crown, then apply the sealer/prep to the outside of the crown. It stiffens yarn/thread and helps paint adhere to crown.

Then let dry.

Ceramcoat is nice because you can still form and re-shape crown after the first coat or two to ensure a nice uniform shape prior to final hardening process.



I apply two coats; letting the crown dry between coats.

I then paint the crown using acrylic paint; I like metallic acrylic paint. Apply 2 to 3 coats; letting paint dry between coats.

Finally, I use Mod Podge sealant in glossy (you can use gloss or satin). You can use any similar type of waterbase sealer. Ceramcoat doesn't work as well as Mod Podge for the final hardening process. I always use Mod Podge for last step.

Your Picot Stitch should appear as in photo.



Larger Size Decorative Crochet Crown

Chain 32; join into circle with slip stitch.
Follow pattern for *Mini Crochet Crown*.
Stitch count will change of course.

You will have 32 sc, 16 Ch. 2 spaces, 16 Picot Stitches for Larger Crown pattern.

Finished Larger Size: 5 inch diameter, 11 inch circumference at base (approximate)



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You can also attach or secure the crown to a small headband; it's up to you to experiment with those methods (just suggestions, I'm not an expert or experienced with those particular methods).

If you have any problems or questions; please contact me via your Etsy or Ravelry receipt; per a convo/message.



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