



CROCHET QUICK SHIFT circa 1970's

SIZES: Directions for size 8. Changes for sizes 10, 12 and 14 are in parentheses.

Body Bust Size: 31 ½" (32 ½"-34"- 36"). **Blocked Bust Size:** 33" (34"-36"- 38").

MATERIALS: Columbia-Minerva Bulky Nantuk, 12 (13-15-16) 2-oz. pull skeins.

Aluminum crochet hook size J/10. (Or English size 6.)

GAUGE: 3 sts — 1"; 3 rows — 2" (dc pat). 12 sts = 5"; 3 rows = 1" (sc border and yoke).

To Inc 1 Dc: *At beg of a row*, ch 4, dc in first ch-1 sp, ch 1, dc in same ch-1 sp.

work in pat across; *at end of a row*, end dc in sp of turning ch, ch 1, dc in same sp.

To Dec 1 Dc: *At beg of a row*, ch 4, sk first ch-1 sp, dc in next ch-1 sp, work in pat across: *at end of a row*, end dc in last ch-1 sp before last dc.

To Bind Off: *At beg of a row*, sl st loosely across specified sts, work in pat across: *at end of a row*, leave specified sts unworked.

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DRESS: FRONT: Beg at lower edge, ch 48 (50-54-56).

Row 1 (mark this row right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across —17 (49-53-55) sc. Ch 1, turn. Work in sc for 6". Check gauge; piece should measure 19 ½" (20 ½"-22"-23") wide.

Pattern: Row 1: Ch 4, dc in first sc, * (ch 1, sk next sc, dc in next sc) twice, ch 1, dc in next sc, repeat from * across, end ch 1, dc in last sc—29 (30-32-33) dc plus turning ch-4. Turn.

Row 2: Ch 4, dc in first ch-1 sp, * ch 1, dc in next ch-1 sp, repeat from * across, end ch 1, dc in sp of turning ch. Turn. Repeat row 2 for pat until piece measures 10" (11"-12"-13") from start or 14" less than desired length from lower edge to under-arm. Dec 1 dc (see To Dec 1 Dc) each side of next row, then every 2" twice more—23 (24-26-27) dc plus turning ch-4. Work even until piece measures 18" (19"-20"-21") from start. Inc 1 dc (see To Inc 1 Dc) each side of next row, then every 2" twice more—29 (30-32-33) dc plus turning ch-4.

Shape Armholes: Sl st across dc, ch 1, dc; work ch 1, dc in next ch-1 sp, work in pat across, end dc in ch-1 sp before last dc—27 (28-30-31) dc. Repeat last row once —25 (26-28-29) dc. Ch 1, turn.

Yoke: * Sc in each of next 3 sts, sk next st. repeat from * across, end sc in last dc—37 (39-42-43) sc. Ch 1. turn.

Next Row: Work in sc across, dec 5 sc evenly spaced across—32 (34-37-38) sc. Work in sc until armholes measure 5 ½" above first bound-off sts.

Shape Neck and Shoulders: Work 13 (14-15-15) sc, drop yarn, sk next 6 (6-7-8) sc; join another strand of yarn with sc in next st, finish row. Working on both sides at once, with separate strands of yarn, dec 1 sc (to dec 1 sc, pull up a lp in each of 2 sts, yo hook and through 3 lps on hook) at each neck edge every row 4 times; **at the same time**, when armholes measure 6 ½" (6 ¾"-7"-7 ¼") above first bound-off sts, bind off 3 sts at each arm side twice—3 (4-5-5) sts remain. End off.

BACK: Work same as front until piece measures 13" (14"-15"-16") from start—25 (26-28-29) dc, plus turning ch-4.

Divide Work: Work in pat until 12 (13-14-14) dc are completed, drop yarn; join another strand of yarn in next sp (same sp-same sp-next sp), ch 4, dc in next sp, finish row—12 (13-14-14) dc each side. Working on both sides at once, with separate strands of yarn, work side dec and increases same as for front—14 (15-16-16) dc each side. Work even until piece measures same as front to underarm.

Shape Armholes: Sl st across dc, ch 1, dc; work ch 1, dc in next ch-1 sp, work in pat across; on other half of back, end dc in ch-1 sp before last dc—13 (14-15-15) dc each side. Repeat last row once—12 (13-14-14) dc each side.

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Yoke: Sc in each st across, sk every 4th st on each back, end sc in sp of turning ch —19 (20-22-22) sc each side.

Next Row: Work in sc across, dec 3 (3- 4-3) sc evenly spaced across—16 (17-18- 19) sc. Work even until armholes measure same as front.

Shape Neck and Shoulders: Bind off 7 (7-7-8) sts at each neck edge once, 3 sts at each arm side every row twice—3 (4-5- 5) sts remain. End off.

FINISHING: Steam -press pieces. From right side, work 1 row sc on front and back neck edges, keeping work flat. Work 1 row sc around back opening. Cut lining to fit crocheted pieces, allowing ½" on all edges, 1" for ½" back and front waistline darts and bust line darts. Sew darts. Turn under ½" on edges and pin lining smoothly at intervals to wrong side of crocheted pieces. Catch lining to crocheted pieces, using long sts and making horizontal lines about 1 ½" apart. Hem edges of lining on all edges. Making ½" seams, machine stitch shoulder and side seams. Steam-press seams open flat. Cut lining down center back opening. Hem lining to edges of opening. Sew in zipper.