



Vintage 60s Crocheted Suit Pattern
Bust Size 38-42"

CROCHETED TWO-PIECE SUIT

SIZES: Directions are for size 10-12. Changes for size 14-16 are in ().

Blocking Measurements: Jacket: Width at bustline (closed) 38" (42"); width of back at underarm, 18" (20"); width of sleeves at underarm, 13" (14"). Skirt: Width around lower edge, 40" (44"); width at hipline, 36" (40"); waistline, 26" (30"); length, 26".

MATERIALS: Bear Brand or Fleisher's Casa-Laine Sport Yarn, 7 (8) 2-oz. balls for skirt, 9 (10) balls for jacket. "Boye" steel crochet hook size 00, or size you need to obtain the specified stitch gauge. 7" skirt zipper. Belting for skirt. Four buttons. 1½ yds. 2" grosgrain ribbon.

GAUGE: 6 sts (3 pats) and 5 rows = 1".

JACKET: BACK: Ch 108 (120) sts. **Row 1:** Work 1 sc and 1 dc in 2nd st from hook (1 pat), * skip next st of ch, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next st, repeat from * across—108 (120) sts, 54 (60) pats. Mark this row for right side. **Row 2:** Ch 1, turn, * skip 1 dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, repeat from * across. Repeat Row 2 for pat.

Work even in pat until there are 60 rows from beg—about 12". End wrong side. Mark for underarm.

Shape Armholes: Dec 1 st each side of next 14 (16) rows as follows:

Dec Row 1: Ch 1, turn, skip dc, work 1 sc *only* in sc, * skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, repeat from * to within 2 sts of end, skip dc, work 1 sc *only* in last sc—106 (118) sts.

Dec Row 2: Ch 1, turn, draw up a lp in first sc, skip 1 dc, draw up a lp in next sc, yo and through all 3 lps—decreasing sc worked. Work 1 dc in same sc as last lp of decreasing sc, * skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, repeat from * to within 3 sts of end, skip dc, draw up a lp in each of next 2 sc, yo and through all 3 lps, 1 dc in same sc as last lp of decreasing sc—104 (116) sts. Repeat last 2 rows 6 (7) times—80 (88) sts. Work even in pat until there are 38 (42) rows—about 7½" (8¼") above underarm marker, end wrong side.

Shape Shoulders: Row 1: Turn, work 1 sl st in each of first 6 sts, ch 1, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, continue pat to end. **Row 2:** Turn, work 1 sl st in

each of first 6 sts, ch 1, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, continue pat to within 1 dc and 1 sc of end of last row, skip dc, work sl st in last sc.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, skip sl st, work 1 sl st in each of next 4 (6) sts, ch 1, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, continue pat to within 1 dc and 1 sc of end of last row, skip dc, work sl st in last sc. Repeat last row 3 times.

Row 7: Ch 1, turn, skip sl st, work 1 sl st in each of next 4 sts, ch 1, work pat to within 1 dc and 1 sc of end, skip dc, sl st in last sc.

Row 8: Ch 1, turn, skip sl st, work 1 sl st in each of next 4 sts, ch 1, work pat to end of last row, skip sl st, work sl st in next sl st—16 pats (32 sts) for back of neck. Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT: Ch 66 (72) sts. Work as for back on 66 (72) sts—33 (36) pats—until there are 60 rows from beg, end wrong side. Mark for underarm.

Shape Armhole: Dec Row 1: Ch 1, turn, skip dc, work 1 sc *only* in sc, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, continue even in pat to end.

Dec Row 2: Ch 1, turn, work even to within 3 sts of end, skip dc, draw up a lp in each of next 2 sc, yo and through all 3 lps—decreasing sc worked. Work 1 dc in same sc as last lp of decreasing sc—64 (70) sts.

Repeat last 2 rows 6 (7) times—52 (56) sts. Work even until there are 28 (32) rows above underarm marker, end wrong side at armhole edge.

Shape Neck: Row 1: Work to within 14 sts of end, sl st in next sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, skip sl st, work 1 sl st in each of next 8 sts, ch 1, work pat to end—30 (34) sts.

Keeping armhole edge even, dec 1 st at neck edge every row 6 times—24 (28) sts. Work even until same length as right back armhole, end wrong side. Shape shoulder as for right shoulder of back.

RIGHT FRONT: Work same as left front until there are 18 (22) rows from beg, end on wrong side at front edge.

Buttonhole Rows: Row 1 (right side): Ch 1, turn, work 4 sts, ch 4, skip 5 sts for buttonhole, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, continue pat to end. **Row 2:** Ch 1, turn, work to buttonhole, * skip 1 st of ch, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next st, repeat from * once, finish row.

Repeating buttonhole every 21st and 22nd rows, work to correspond to left front until there are 60 rows from beg, end wrong side. Mark for underarm.

Shape Armhole: Dec Row 1: Work to within 2 sts of end, skip dc, work 1 sc *only* in last sc. **Dec Row 2:** Ch 1, turn, draw up a lp in first sc, skip 1 dc, draw up a lp in next sc, yo and through all 3 lps, 1 dc in same sc as last lp of decreasing sc, work in pat across—64 (70) sts. Repeating buttonhole as before, repeat last 2 rows 6 (7) times—52 (56) sts. Work even until there are 28 (32) rows above

underarm marker and four buttonholes, end wrong side at front edge.

Shape Neck: Row 1: Work 1 sl st in each of 14 sts, ch 1, work in pat across.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, work pat to within 8 sts of end, sl st in next sc. Keeping armhole even, dec 1 st at neck edge every row 6 times—24 (28) sts.

Work even until same length as left back armhole, end right side. Shape shoulder as for left shoulder of back.

SLEEVES: Ch 70 (76) sts. Work as for back on 70 (76) sts until there are 14 rows from beg, end on wrong side.

* **Inc Row 1:** Ch 1, turn, 1 sc in first dc, 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, work even in pat to within 2 sts of end, skip dc, work 1 sc, 1 dc, and 1 sc all in last sc—72 (78) sts.

Next Row: Ch 1, turn, 1 sc in first sc, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, work even in pat to within 3 sts of end, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, 1 sc in last sc. Repeat last row 8 times.

Inc Row 2: Ch 1, turn, 1 sc and 1 dc in first sc, work even in pat to within 1 sc of end, work 1 sc and 1 dc in last sc—74 (80) sts. Work 9 rows even *.

Repeat from * to * once, having 54 rows (about 11") from beg—78 (84) sts. Mark for underarm. Dec 1 st each side every row 21 (23) times as on back; then every other row 4 (4) times, ending with half-pat (1 sc) each side—28 (30) sts. Work 1 row even.

Dec 2 sts each end of next 3 rows as follows:

Row 1: Ch 1, turn, draw up a lp in each of first 3 sts, yo and through 2 lps, yo and through 3 lps, skip dc, work 1 sc and 1 dc in next sc, continue pat to within 3 sts of end, draw up a lp in each of last 3 sts, yo and through 2 lps, yo and through 3 lps. Repeat last row twice—16 (18) sts. Fasten off.

POCKET FLAPS (make 2): Ch 30 sts. Work even in pat as on back for 9 rows. Fasten off.

COLLAR: Ch 126 sts firmly for neck edge. Work even in pat as on back for 34 rows.

Final Row: Ch 1, turn, work 1 sc in each st. Fasten off.

FINISHING: Sew underarm, shoulder, and sleeve seams. Sew in sleeves, matching underarm seams. Fold collar double and sew both edges to neck edge of jacket with front edges of collar 12 sts from front edges of jacket; leave side edges of collar open. Sew on pocket flaps with lower edge about 4" from lower edge of jacket, side edge about 2½" from underarm seam. Block. Face front edges with grosgrain ribbon. Sew on buttons.

SKIRT: BACK: (Directions are for skirt 26" in length. Make any necessary adjustment in length before first dec row.) Ch 120 (132) sts. Work in pat as on back of jacket until there are 64 rows (about 13") from beg—120 (132) sts.

**** Dec Row 1:** Dec 1 st each side as for Dec Row 1 on back of jacket—118

(130) sts. Work 5 rows even, having half-pat (1 sc) each side. **Dec Row 2:** Dec 1 st each side as for Dec Row 2 on back of jacket—116 (128) sts. Work 5 rows even.** Repeat the 12 rows between ** and ** 3 times—104 (116) sts. Dec 1 st each side of next row, then every 4th row until 96 (108) sts remain. Work even until 26" (about 130 rows) from beg, end wrong side.

Final Dec Row: Ch 1, turn, work 1 sc in each of first 5 (2) sts, * draw up a lp in each of next 2 sts, yo and through all 3 lps on hook, work 1 sc in each of next 3 (4) sts, repeat from * 17 times, end last repeat work 1 sc in each of 4 (2) sts—78 (90) sts. Fasten off.

FRONT: Work as for back.

FINISHING: Sew side seams, leaving left side open for 7" at top. Block. Sew in zipper. Sew belting inside waistline.



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