SUMMER CROCHET PATTERNS

16 Easy Sumer Crochet Patterns







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Hey Yarnie,

Isn't it great to be a crochet addict? While we're constantly looking for fabulous crochet patterns for you, we also come across patterns we'd like to make ourselves. With summer on its way, we've been scouring the net trying to find some of the hottest patterns around...and we did!

From hats, to beach bags and sandals, we've found some of the cutest summer patterns we think you'll enjoy. We even found a few unique patterns that blew us away. If you like popsicles and hitting golf balls during the summer then stay tuned because this eBook has it all!

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DIY Beach Cover Ups

Chiq Shell Summer Shorts

By: Mary Kathryn Vaughn for Crochet Chiq

Get summer ready with these Chiq Shell Summer Shorts. You'll see all the celebrities wearing crochet shorts these days. Wear them to the beach or wear them as sleepwear. This cutesy crochet pattern is worked in two pieces.



Chiq Shell Summer Shorts

This image courtesy of crochetchiq.blogspot.com



Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Materials:

 Use crochet hook size J Use any 4 ply yarn

1-Start by doing Foundation quadruple crochet 50
2-sc in each stitch for a total of 50



3- make shells (2hdc,ch1,2hdc) across skipping 3 sc in between each shell. 4- do six rows of shells (skipping 4) * or more if you are making a larger pair or do not want them low rise.*

Crochet Hook: J/10 or 6 mm hook



They look like this at first

Front only******In the middle of the shorts exact middle either the middle 3 or 4 depending on the number you started with we need to make a strip of shells like the picture below



6 rows of shells here create the crotch area, don't worry if it looks too skinny or not long enough when we crochet the legs on it adds to the area first them add length! I think they look like undies heheheehe:)

For back side

Do exactly the same except add 1- to 3 rows or shells depending on how "round" you backside is, The first pair I made two exactly the same and hahah they were tooo low in the behind!!

Now we need to put both right sides facing each other and sew each side. weave in your ends and secure.



This is what my seam looks like.

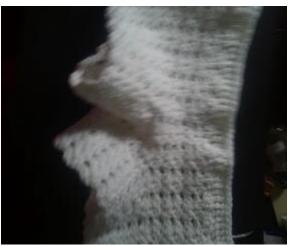


This is what they look like now before the legs are added.

Turn your shorts (or "undies" as they look now) right side out and now we will begin the legs!

It doesn't matter what leg you start on or where you start I started in the corner but you can start anywhere. What you will do for every round or both legs is continue with the shell pattern until they are long enough for your taste. However the first round can be tricky because when you crochet in the crotch area you will crochet on the side of the stitch. What I did here was crochet into the bigger loop or each shell. Do what works for you and keep it even. And if you end up skipping too much

space a needle and yarn can close up a hole very easily without being noticed.



here is 8 rounds of shells on each leg. These are very short shorts!

Party By the Pool Coverup

By: Shannon Mullett-Bowlsby for Caron

Sparkle and shine while you're laying poolside with this free crochet pattern. Using Caron's Party yarn, work up this Party by the Pool Coverup. Lounge by the pool or stroll on down to the beach. This coverup can be made in all sizes with the diamond lace pattern.



Party By the Pool Coverup

This image courtesy of caron.com



Crochet Hook: H/8 or 5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

SIZES

XS (S, M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 32 (37, 40, 43, 48, 51, 57, 60, 63)"/81.5 (94, 101.5, 109, 122, 129.5, 145, 152.5, 160)cm

Length:28 (28, 28, 29, 29, 29, 30, 30)"/71 (71,

71, 73.5, 73.5, 73.5, 73.5, 76, 76)cm

MATERIALS:

- Caron International's Simply Soft Party (99 % Acrylic/1% Polyester; 3oz/85g, 171yds/156m):
- #0007 Black Sparkle: 7 (7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 13) skeins
- One size USG-8 (5.5mm) crochet hook,
- or size to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle

GAUGE

In Diamond Lace pattern, 17 sts and 7 rows = 4"/10cm. **Notes:** Gauge is after blocking. Before blocking, the pieces will be narrower than shown on schematic.

STITCHES USED

Chain (ch), double crochet (dc), half double crochet (hdc), single crochet (sc), slip stitch (sl st), treble crochet (tr)

SPECIAL STITCHES

Fhdc: Foundation half double crochet (This technique creates a foundation chain and a row of half double crochet stitches in one) –

Step 1:Place a slip knot on hook, ch 3, yarn over, insert hook in 3rd ch from hook and draw up a loop; yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"); yarn over and draw through 3 loops on hook (the "half double crochet").

Step 2: Yarn over, insert hook into the "chain" of the previous stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"),

yarn over and draw through 3 loops on hook (the "half double crochet"). Repeat step 2 for the length of foundation.

First-dc: First double crochet in a row (instead of a traditional ch 3)—Ch 1, sc in first st, ch 2. **Note:** If preferred, you may work a traditional ch-3 turning ch to serve as the first dc in a row.

First-tr: First treble crochet in a row (instead of a traditional ch 4)—Ch 1, sc in first st, ch 3. **Note:** If preferred, you may work a traditional ch-4 turning ch to serve as the first tr in a row.

PATTERN STITCHES

Lace Diamond Pattern

Row 1: Ch 1, sc in first dc, ch 3, sk next ch-sp, sk next sc, sc in next sc, *ch 3, sc in next ch-sp, ch 3, sk next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across to last ch-sp, ch 3, sk last ch-sp, sc in last dc, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, sc in first ch-sp, *ch 5, sc in next ch-sp, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-sp; repeat from * across to last ch-sp, sc in last ch-sp, sc in last st, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *ch 3, sc in next ch-sp, ch 3, sk next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn.

Row 4: First-tr, ch 2, sc in first ch-sp, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-sp, *ch 5, sc in next ch-sp, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-sp; repeat from * across to last sc, ch 2, tr in last sc, turn.

Repeat Rows 1–4 for Lace Diamond pattern.

NOTE

Diamond Lace stretches and opens up when blocked and worn. Take care to stretch fabric gently when measuring, to simulate the blocked lace. This is particularly important when measuring sleeves. Sleeves tend to stretch more when worn than other pieces.

BACK

Note: If you prefer to begin piece with a traditional foundation chain, instead of Fhdc, work as follows: Ch 68 (80, 86, 92, 104, 110, 122, 128, 132). Foundation Row: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—67 (79, 85, 91, 103, 109, 121, 127, 133) sts. Then proceed to Row 1 of instructions.

Fhdc 67 (79, 85, 91, 103, 109, 121, 127, 133).

Row 1 (set up for Lace Diamond pattern): First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—11 (13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22) pattern repeats. Note: A pattern repeat consists of a single 'diamond' of the Lace Diamond pattern. The diamonds will become more evident after the first 4 rows of the Lace Diamond pattern are worked.

Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until back measures about 28 (28, 28, 29, 29, 29, 30, 30)"/71 (71, 71, 73.5, 73.5, 73.5, 73.5, 76, 76)cm when slightly stretched (to open up lace), end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off.

FRONT (make 2)

Note: If you prefer to begin piece with a traditional foundation chain, instead of Fhdc, work as follows: Ch 44 (50, 50, 56, 62, 62, 68, 74, 74). Foundation Row: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—43 (49, 49, 55, 61, 61, 67, 73, 73). Then proceed to Row 1 of instructions.

Fhdc 43 (49, 49, 55, 61, 61, 67, 73, 73).

Row 1: First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—7 (8, 8, 9, 10, 10, 11, 12, 12) pattern repeats.

Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until front measures same as back when slightly stretched, end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off.

SLEEVE (make 2)

Note: If you prefer to begin piece with a traditional foundation chain, instead of Fhdc, work as follows: Ch 62 (62, 68, 68, 74, 74, 80, 80, 86). Foundation Row: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—61 (61, 67, 67, 73, 73, 79, 79, 85) sts. Then proceed

to Row 1 of instructions.

Fhdc 61 (61, 67, 67, 73, 73, 79, 79, 85).

Row 1: First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—10 (10, 11, 11, 12, 12, 13, 13, 14) pattern repeats.

Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until sleeve measures about 23 (23, 23, 23, 23, 23, 23, 22, 21)"/58.5 (58.5, 58.5, 58.5, 58.5, 58.5, 56, 56, 53.5)cm when slightly stretched, end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off. **Note:** Length of sleeve provides for a 3-4"/7.5-10cm cuff (to be folded back). If no cuff is desired, work each sleeve until it measures about 3-4"/7.5-10cm less than the measurements given.

FINISHING

Using yarn needle, weave in all ends. Block pieces to schematic measurements. Beginning at side edge, sew shoulder seams, sewing for about 5 $(6, 6\ 1/2, 7, 8, 8\ 1/2, 10, 10\ 1/2, 11)$ "/12.5 (15, 16.5, 18, 20.5, 21.5, 25.5, 26.5, 28)cm, leaving about 6 $(6\ 1/2, 7, 7\ 1/2, 8, 8\ 1/2, 8\ 1/2, 9, 9\ 1/2)$ "/15 (16.5, 18, 19, 20.5, 21.5, 21.5, 23, 24)cm unsewn across back neck. Place top of each sleeve across one side edge, centered over shoulder seam, and sew in place. Sew side and sleeve seams.

Hood

With WS facing, join yarn with sc at beginning of front neck edge, work 67 (73, 73, 79, 85, 85, 85, 91, 91) sc evenly spaced around neck edge.

Row 1: First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—11 (12, 12, 13, 14, 14, 14, 15, 15) pattern repeats.

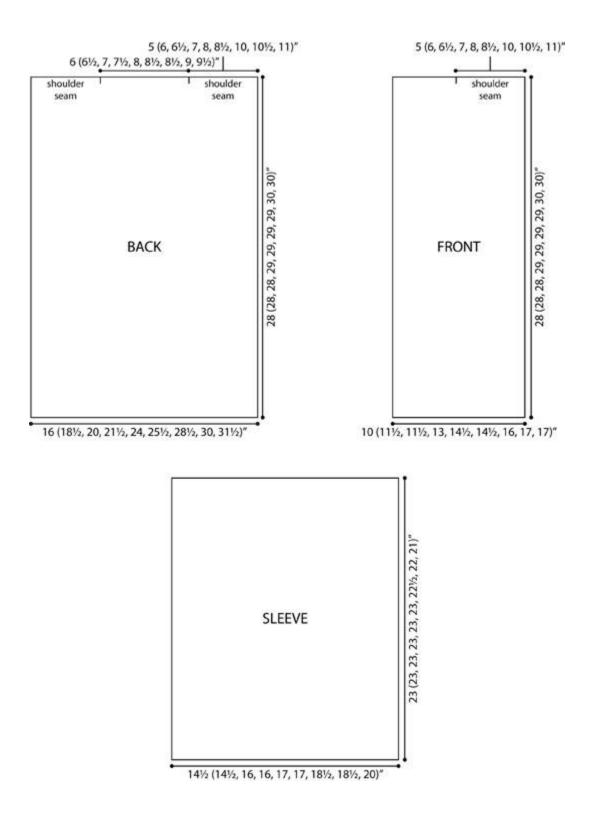
Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until hood measures about 12"/30.5cm when slightly stretched; end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off.

Block hood. Fold last row in half and seam for top of hood.

Front Edging: With RS facing, join yarn with sc in lower front corner, sc evenly spaced up front edge, around front hood edge, and down opposite front edge. Fasten off.

Sleeve Edging: With WS facing, join yarn with sc in sleeve seam, sc evenly spaced around sleeve edge; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off. Repeat around 2nd sleeve. **Note:** Sleeve

edging is worked with WS facing, so that the RS of the edging will show when the cuff is folded back. If length for the cuff was omitted, work the sleeve edging with the RS facing.



Sunkissed Lace Cover Up

By: Ann Regis for Red Heart

Prepare your wardrobe for the sunny days of summer with this stylish cover up. This light and lacy crochet design is an intermediate crochet pattern to complete. The instructions include three different sizes to choose from. Wear this trendy item over a tank top, t-shirt or swimsuit. The bright yellow color shown here is perfect for a bright summer day, but feel free to use any other color yarn you prefer.



Sunkissed Lace Cover Up

This image courtesy of redheart.com



Crochet Hook: J/10 or 6 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

MATERIALS:

- STITCH NATION by Debbie Stoller™
 "Bamboo Ewe™": 4 (5, 6) balls 5230
 Buttercup.
- Crochet Hooks: 6mm [US J-10] and 6.5mm [US K-10½]
- Yarn needle
- Diagram

SIZE:

Directions are for size Small. Changes for Medium and Large are in parentheses. Finished Bust: 36 (41, 46)".

Finished Length: 31¼ (33, 34¾)".

GAUGE/TENSION:

With smaller hook, 12 sts and 4 rows dc = 4"; 1 rows dc and 1 row tr = $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

SPECIAL STITCHES

V-st: (Dc, ch 1, dc) in same st or space. Tr-V-st: (Tr, ch 1, tr) in same st or space.

INSTRUCTIONS: COVER UP

Left Back

Starting at left side, ch 15.

Row 1 (wrong side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn—14 sc.
Row 2 (right side): Ch 3 (counts a dc here and throughout), skip first 2 sc, *V-st in next sc, skip next 2 sc; repeat from * twice, V-st in next sc, skip next sc, dc in last sc; turn—4 V-sts.

Row 3: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), (dc, ch 2) in

each of next 3 ch-1 spaces, dc in last ch-1 space, ch 1, dc in top of turning chain; turn.

Size L Only

Rows 4-5: Repeat Rows 2-3 once.

Shape Armhole

Row 1: Ch 3, skip next ch-1 space, V-st in each of next 4 dc, dc in 3rd ch of turning chain; ch 28 (31, 34); turn.

Row 2: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 26 (29, 32) ch sts, sc in each st and each ch-1 space across, ending with sc in 3rd ch of turning chain; turn—41 (44, 47) sc. Row 3: Ch 3, skip first 2 sts, *V-st in next st, skip next sts; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, skip next st, dc in last st; turn—13 (14, 15) V-sts.

Row 4: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), (dc, ch 2) in each ch-1 space across to last ch-1 space, dc in last ch-1 space, ch 1, dc in top of turning chain; turn—12 (13, 14) ch-2 spaces.

Rows 5-8: Repeat Rows 3-4 twice.

Row 9: Ch 3, skip first 2 sts, *V-st in next dc, skip next ch-2 space; repeat from * 8 (9, 10) times, dc in next dc; turn—9 (10, 11) V-sts. Row 10: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), (dc, ch 2) in each ch-1 space across to last ch-1 space, dc in last ch-1 space, ch 1, dc in top of turning chain; turn—8 (9, 10) ch-2 spaces. Rows 11-13 (15, 17): Repeat Rows 9-10 (1 [2, 3] times); then repeat Row 9 once. Fasten off.

Right Back

Work same as Left Back through Row 3 (3, 5).

Shape Armhole

Row 1: Ch 3, skip next ch-1 space, V-st in each of next 4 dc, dc in 3rd ch of turning chain, turn. Drop loop from hook. Join a separate strand of yarn in top of first st in Row 1 of Armhole Shaping, ch 27 (30, 33).

Fasten off strand.

Row 2: Pick up dropped loop at end of Row 1 of Armhole Shaping, ch 1, sc in first st, sc in each st and ch-1 space across, sc in each ch of added ch; turn—41 (44, 47) sc.

Rows 3-8: Work same as Rows 3-8 of Left

Rows 3-8: Work same as Rows 3-8 of Left Front. Fasten off.

Row 9: With right side facing, skip first 5 ch-2 spaces, join yarn in next dc, ch 3, *V-st in next dc, skip next ch-2 space; repeat from * 8 (9, 10) times, dc in last sc; turn—9 (10, 11) V-sts.

Rows 10-13 (15, 17): Work same as Rows 10-13 (15, 17) of Left Back. Fasten off.

Right Front

Work same as Left Back through Row 1 of Armhole Shaping.

Row 2: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 26 (29, 32) ch sts, hdc in each st and each ch-1 space across, ending with sc in 3rd ch of turning chain; turn—27 (30, 33) sc; 14 hdc.

Row 3: Ch 3, skip first 2 sts, *V-st in next st, skip next 2 sts; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, skip next st, dc in last st; turn—13 (14, 15) V-sts.

Row 4: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), (dc, ch 2) in each of next 8 (9, 10) ch-1 spaces, (tr, ch 2) in each ch-1 space across to last ch-1 space, tr in last ch-1 space, ch 1, tr in top of turning chain; turn—12 (13, 14) ch-2 spaces; 9 (10, 11) dc; 6 tr.

Rows 5-8: Repeat Rows 3-4 twice.

Row 9: Ch 3, skip first 2 sts, *V-st in next dc, skip next ch-2 space; repeat from * 4 (5, 6) times, dc in next dc; turn—5 (6, 7) V-sts.

Row 10: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), (dc, ch 2) in each ch-1 space across to last ch-1 space, dc in last ch-1 space, ch 1, dc in top of turning chain; turn—4 (5, 6) ch-2 spaces.

Row 11: Repeat Row 9.

Fasten off S.

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Rows 12-13: Repeat Rows 10-11 once. Fasten off.

Left Front

Work same as Right Back through Row 1 of Armhole Shaping.

Drop loop from hook. Join a separate strand of yarn in top of first st in Row 1 of Armhole Shaping, ch 27 (30, 33). Fasten off strand. Row 2: Pick up dropped loop at end of Row 1 of Armhole Shaping, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in each st and each ch-1 space across to added ch, sc in each ch across; turn—27 (30, 33) sc; 14 hdc.

Row 3: Ch 3, skip first 2 sts, *V-st in next st, skip next 2 sts; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, skip next st, dc in last st; turn—13 (14, 15) V-sts.

Row 4: Ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), (tr, ch 2) in each of next 5 ch-1 spaces, (dc, ch 2) in each of ch-1 space across to last ch-1 space, dc in last ch-1 space, ch 1, dc in top of turning chain; turn—12 (13, 14) ch-2 spaces; 9 (10, 11) dc; 6 tr.

Rows 5-8: Repeat Rows 3-4 twice. Fasten off.

Row 9: With right side facing, skip first 5 ch-2 spaces, join yarn in next dc, ch 3, *V-st in next dc, skip next ch-2 space; repeat from * 8 (9, 10) times, dc in last sc; turn—9 (10, 11) V-sts.

Row 10: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), (dc, ch 2) in each ch-1 space across to last ch-1 space, dc in last ch-1 space, ch 1, dc in top of turning chain; turn—8 (9, 10) ch-2 spaces. Row 11: Repeat Row 9. Fasten off S.

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Rows 15-16: Repeat Rows 13-14 once. Fasten off.

With right sides facing, whipstitch center back seam. Whipstitch Fronts to Back at sides and shoulders.

Skirt

Round 1: With right side facing, join yarn on bottom edge of Back at center seam, ch 1, work 35 (39, 43) sc evenly spaced across to side seam; work 35 (39, 43) sc evenly spaced across to bottom edge of Right Front; starting in bottom left-hand corner of Left Front, work 35 (39, 43) sc evenly spaced across bottom edge of Left Front to side seam; work 35 (39, 43) sc evenly spaced across to center back seam; join with slip st in first sc—140 (156, 172) sc. Round 2: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), skip first 2 sts, *dc in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc; repeat from * around; join with a slip st in 3rd ch of ch-4 tch-70 (78, 86) ch-1 spaces. Round 3: Ch 3, dc in each dc and ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of turning chain.

Round 4: Ch 4, dc in same st (counts as V-st), skip next 3 sts, *Vst in next st, ch 1, skip next 3 sts; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4—35 (39, 43) V-sts.

Round 5: Ch 3, dc in each st and ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of turning chain—140 (156, 172) sc.

Rounds 6-9: Repeat Rounds 4-5 (twice). Round 10: Ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), tr in same st (counts as Tr-V-st), skip next 3 sts, *Tr-V-st in next st, ch 1, skip next 3 sts; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 4th ch of beginning ch-5—35 (39, 43) Tr-V-sts. Round 11: Ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in each st and ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of turning chain.

Rounds 12-17: Repeat Rounds 10-11 (3 times).

Round 18: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), skip

first 2 sts, *dc in next st, ch 1, skip next st; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4.

Round 19: Ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in each st and ch-1 space around to last ch-1 space, work 2 (1, 0) hdc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of turning chain—141 (156, 165) hdc.

Round 20: Ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), tr in same st (counts as Tr- V-st), skip next 2 sts, *Tr-V-st in next st, skip next 2 sts; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 4th ch of beginning ch-5—47 (52, 58) Tr-V-sts.

Round 21: Slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), tr in same space (counts as Tr-V-st), Tr-V-st in each of next 2 ch-1 spaces, *(tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr) in next ch-1 space, Tr-V-st in each of next 3 ch-1 spaces; repeat from * 10 (11, 12) times.

Sizes M and L Only: (tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr) in next ch-1 space.

Size L Only: Tr-V-st in each of next 2 ch-1 spaces. All sizes: Join with slip st in 4th ch of beginning ch-5—58 (65, 72) ch-1 spaces. Round 23: Slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), tr in same space (counts as Tr-V-st), Tr-V-st in each ch-1 space around, join with slip st in 4th ch of beginning ch-5—58 (65, 72) Tr-V-sts. Round 24: Ch 3, dc in each st and ch-1 space around, inc 2 (1, 0) dc evenly spaced around; join with slip st in top of tch—176 (196, 216) dc.

Round 25: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), skip first 2 sts, *dc in next st, ch 1, skip next st; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4—88 (98, 108) ch-1 spaces.

Round 26: Ch 3, dc in each st and ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of turning chain—176 (196, 216) dc.
Round 27: Repeat Round 25.

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Repeat Rounds 26-27 (1 [2] times).

Ruffle

Change to larger hook.

Rounds 1-3: Slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), tr in same space (counts as Tr-V-st), ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, *Tr-V-st in next ch-1 space, ch 1 skip next ch-1 space; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 4th ch of beginning ch-5—44 (49, 54) Tr-V-sts.

Round 4: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), skip first st, (dc, ch 1) in each st and ch-1 space around, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4—176 (196, 216) ch-1 spaces. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING

With smaller hook, make a ch approximately 84 (90, 96)" long. Fasten off. Tie an overhand knot at each end of drawstring.

Beginning at center back, weave one end of drawstring through eyelet round (Round 2) on either side of body to center front, then crisscross ends and weave through eyelets along front of each bodice. Tighten or loosen drawstring to adjust fit as desired. Tie drawstring in a bow at top of Front.

Armhole Trim (optional)

Round 1: For a tighter armhole, using smaller hook, join yarn at bottom of one armhole, ch 2, hdc evenly around armhole; join with slip st in top of turning chain. Fasten off.

Repeat Armhole Trim around other armhole.

Child's Swim Suit Cover Up

By: Susan Hamilton from <u>Green eCrafts and</u> <u>Country Living</u>

If you're going on vacation or simply ready for summer then get a head start on this adorable Child's Swim Suit Cover Up. Swim suit covers are great for kids to help keep the sun away and she'll look so cute, too. She can wear it after swimming in the water or just for walking around town.



Child's Swim Suit Cover Up

This image courtesy of greenecraftsandcountryliving.blogspot.com



Crochet Hook: F/5 or 3.75 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Materials:

- (2) Caron Simply Soft , 4 ply acrylic, 6 oz (lt country peach 9737)
- Caron Simply Soft , 4 ply acrylic, 6 oz (baby brights ombre)
- crochet hook size F5 / 3.75mm

Measurements:

Age of Child – 2 years and 7 months

Height – 36 inches Shoulder – 10 inches

10 inches

Waist – 20 inches

23 inches

Hips – 22 inches

23 inches

Neck to Knee 18

inches 13.5 inches

Stitch Abbreviations:

(ch) chain

(sc) single crochet

(dc) double crochet

(hdc) half-double crochet

(tr) treble crochet

(sl st) slip stitch

(sp) space

(dec) decrease

(YO) yarn over

Special Instructions:

(dec) – decrease - (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook.)

(tr) – treble crochet – YO twice and insert in next (sc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops thrice.

(hdc) – half-double crochet – YO and insert hook in same (sc). Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Instructions:

First Side - Light Country Peach

1st Rnd – Make 77 (ch). (Dc) on 8th (ch) from hook. [2 (Ch) and skip 2 (ch). (Dc) on next (ch)] 22X. Make 2 (ch) and skip last 2 (ch). (Dc) on beginning (ch). Turn around.

Result - 25 (dc) and 24 (2 ch-sp)

2nd to 25th Rnd – Make 5 (ch). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dc) on next (dc). [2 (Ch) and skip next (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 22X. Make 2 (ch) and skip 2 (ch). (Dc) on 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch). Turn around.

Result - 25 (dc) and 24 (2 ch-sp)

26th Rnd – Make 3 (ch). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dc) on next (dc). [2 (Ch) and skip (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 21X. 2 (Ch), skip (2 ch-sp), and (dec)-- (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip 2 (ch), and insert hook on 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook). Make (ch) and then turn around.

Result - 21 (dc), 22 (2 ch-sp), and 2 (dec)

27th Rnd - (SI st) on (dec) and make 2 (ch) on same (sp). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dec) -- (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook on next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook). [2 (Ch) and skip (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 17X. 2 (Ch), skip (2 ch-sp) and

(dec) - (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook on next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO, skip (2 ch-sp) and insert hook on top of (dec). Pull up loop and draw through all 4 loops on hook). Make (ch) and then turn around.

Result – 17 (dc), 18 (2 ch-sp), and 2 (dec)

28th Rnd – (SI st) on (dec) and make 2 (ch) on same (sp). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dec) -- (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook on next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook). [2 (Ch) and skip (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 13X. 2 (Ch), skip (2 ch-sp) and (dec) -- (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO, skip (2 ch-sp) and insert hook on top of (dec). Pull up loop and draw through all 4 loops on hook). Make (ch) and turn around.

Result – 13 (dc), 14 (2 ch-sp), and 2 (dec)

29th Rnd - (SI st) on (dec) and make 2 (ch) on same (sp). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dec) -- (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook on next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook). [2 (Ch) and skip (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 9X. 2 (Ch), skip (2 ch-sp), and (dec) - (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO, skip (2 ch-sp) and

insert hook on top of (dec). Pull up loop and draw through all 4 loops on hook). Make (ch) and turn around.

Result - 9 (dc), 10 (2 ch-sp). and 2 (dec)

30th Rnd – (Sl st) on (dec) and make 2 (ch) on same (sp). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dec) -- (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook on next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. Pull up loop and draw through all 3 loops on hook). [2 (Ch) and skip (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 5X. 2 (Ch), skip (2 ch-sp), and (dec) - (YO once and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO once, skip (2 ch-sp), and insert hook in next (dc). Pull up loop and draw through 2 loops. YO, skip (2 ch-sp) and insert hook on top of (dec). Pull up loop and draw through all 4 loops on hook). Extend an extra yarn, cut, and tie it twice.

Result – 5 (dc), 6 (2 ch-sp), and 2 (dec)

Back Side – Light Country Peach

1st Rnd – Make 77 (ch). (Dc) on 8th (ch) from hook. [2 (Ch) and skip 2 (ch). (Dc) on next (ch)] 22X. Make 2 (ch) and skip last 2 (ch). (Dc) on beginning (ch). Turn around.

Result - 25 (dc) and 24 (2 ch-sp)

2nd to 25th Rnd – Make 5 (ch). Skip (2 ch-sp) and (dc) on next (dc). [2 (Ch) and skip next (2 ch-sp). (Dc) on next (dc)] 22X. Make 2 (ch) and skip 2 (ch). (Dc) on 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch). Make 2 (ch). Don't cut the yarn yet.

Result - 25 (dc) and 24 (2 ch-sp)

Connecting Both Sides First Side – Light Country Peach

At the 25th Rnd of the BACK SIDE and using the same yarn color, insert the hook into

the end of 25th Rnd of the FRONT SIDE, pull a loop and (sl st). Make 2 (ch), insert the hook into the end of 24th Rnd of the BACK and (sl st). Make 2 (ch), insert the hook into the end of 24th Rnd of the FRONT SIDE, and (sl st). It's like a zigzag. Do the same procedure for the succeeding rounds until you reach the last round.

Last Rnd - Make 2 (ch), insert the hook on the 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch) of BACK SIDE, and (sl st). Make 2 (ch), insert the hook on the 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch) of FRONT SIDE. Extend an extra yarn, cut, and tie it twice.

Second Side – Light Country Peach

Get another end of the yarn and tie it on the end of 25th Rnd of the FRONT SIDE twice. (SI st) and make 2 (ch) on same (sp). Insert the hook into the 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch) of 25th Rnd of the BACK SIDE and (sI st). Make 2 (ch), insert the hook into the end of 24th Rnd of FRONT SIDE, and (sI st). Make 2 (ch), insert the hook into the end of 24th Rnd of the BACK SIDE, and (sI st). Do the same procedure as the FIRST SIDE until you reach the last round.

Last Rnd - Make 2 (ch), insert the hook on the 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch) of FRONT SIDE, and (sl st). Make 2 (ch), insert the hook on the 3rd (ch) of beginning 5 (ch) of BACK SIDE. Extend an extra yarn, cut, and tie it twice.

Edging

Upper Side - Baby Brights Ombre

1st Rnd – Facing the FRONT SIDE, tie the other end of the yarn on top of (dec) right side twice. (SI st) on same (sp) and hide the excess yarn as you crochet. 3 (Sc) on (2 ch-sp). [Skip (dc). 3 (Sc) on next (2 ch-sp)] 5X.

[Skip (dec) and 2 (sc) on next (2 ch-sp)] 4X. 2 (Sc) on first (dec). 2 (Sc) on next (2 ch-sp) (zigzag part). [Skip (dc) and 2 (sc) on next (2 ch-sp)] 24X. 2 (Sc) on next (2 ch-sp) (zigzag). 2 (Sc) on first (dec). [Skip (dec) and 2 (sc) on next (2 ch-sp)] 4X. Skip (dec). (SI st) on beginning (sc).

Result - 90 (sc)

2nd Rnd – (Dc), 4 (tr), and (dc) on next (sc). (SI st) on next (sc). These stitches become petal design counted as one . [Skip next (sc). (Dc), 4 (tr), and (dc) on next (sc). (SI st) on next (sc)] 50X. Don't cut the yarn yet. Let it hang.

Result – 6 petals

Bottom Side - Baby Brights Ombre

1st Rnd - Tie another end of the yarn twice on the last stitch made in the 1st Rnd (Front Side) right side. (SI st) and 3 (sc) on (2 ch-sp). Skip (dc). [3 (Sc) on next (2 ch-sp) and skip (dc)] 50X. (SI st) on the beginning (sc).

Result - 150 (sc)

2nd Rnd – (Hdc), 3 (dc), and (hdc) on next (sc). (SI st) on next (sc). These stitches become petal design counted as one. [Skip next (sc). (Hdc), 3 (dc), and (hdc) on next (sc). (SI st) on next (sc)] 50X. (SI st) on the beginning (hdc). Extend an extra yarn, cut, and tie it twice. Hide the excess yarn.

Result – 50 petals

Making of a Tie - Baby Brights Ombre

Pick up the yarn where you left in the 2nd Rnd (Edging-Upper Side). Make 80 (ch). Extend an extra yarn and cut, but don't tighten it. Tie another end of the yarn at the end of the first half flower twice and hide the excess yarn. (SI st) and make 80 (ch). Extend an extra yarn and cut, but don't tighten it.

Making of a Tassel (2) – Baby Brights Ombre

Wrap the yarn around your 4 fingers 5X and then cut. Hold the center and carefully remove the yarns from your fingers. Insert them into the loop end of the chain and fold to center them. Tighten it very well and tie it thrice. Cut the ends evenly.

Newborn Crochet Romper

By: Stacey Williams from **Busting Stitches**

If you're due to have a little girl during the summer season then you must make this Newborn Crochet Romper. She will look so stylish wearing Caron Simply Soft in different crochet colors. The legs have ties so you can make it a bit tighter if need be, while the straps of the outfit are tie-ups as well, so it'll remain secure. Add a flower embellishment or crochet a matching hat. This outfit is sure to turn heads when you're little one is this trendy.



Newborn Crochet Romper

This image courtesy of bustingstitches.com



Crochet Hook: I/9 or 5.5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Materials:

- Caron Simply Soft
- Size I 5.5 mm hook
- Tapestry needle

Abbreviations:

Ch Chain
SI St Slip Stitch
Sc Single Crochet
Hdc Half Double Crochet
Blo Back Loops Only

Instructions:

Ch 36

Join with a sl st

Ch 1, sc around Join with a sl st.

Ch 2, hdc around. Join with a sl st

Ch 2, hdc around in blo. Join with a sl st.

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Ch 2, hdc around. Join with a sl st

Ch 2, hdc into the next 2 stitches. Turn

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loops exposed on the romper.

to the end. Do this with each row of front

Turn inside out and sew the flap to the other side to form the crotch of the romper.

Join with one leg of the romper and hdc into each space. Join with a sl st

Ch 2, hdc around. Join with a sl st.

Ch 2, hdc around. Join with a sl st.

Tie off and repeat with the other opening

For the ties Join with a sl st and chain 40. Do this 4 times total and make sure they are evenly spaced.

Now with the second color join in the back of the romper on the first row from the top that has front loops available. "Skip the next loop, dc 6 into the next loop, skip the next loop, sl st into the next stitch". Repeat that

Straw Sun Hat

By: Joanne for Craft Passion

This is by far the cutest Straw Sun Hat ever! Learn how to crochet this fabulous design by following the easy crochet instructions. Stay cool this summer by keeping your head covered with your new sun hat! Crochet rafia yarn is used for that straw look.



Straw Sun Hat

This image courtesy of craftpassion.com



Crochet Hook: E/4 or 3.5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (2) Fine (23-26 stitches to 4

inches)

Abbreviations:

ch = chain

bl = back loop

sc = single crochet

slst = slip stitch

st = stitch

fo = fasten off

mm = move marker

Materials:

- Crochet rafia yarn, approximate quantity: Beige 120 gram
- 3.5mm crochet hook

Tools:

1. Tapestry needle

Finished dimension:

Top to brim edge: 12"

Brim Depth: 5"

Band circumference: 24"
Fit Head circumference 22"

Tension: Approx 14sts x 14rows single

crochet (4 inches square)

Directions:

<u>1st layer</u> – work from top to brim, crochet on back loops only. Round Base

beg sl knot, ch3, join with slst to the first ch to make a circle

r1: ch1 sc8, mm (8 st)

r2 – r9: increase 8 sts evenly for each round, mm (72 sts)

Band and Brim

r10 – 25: sc into each st around, mm

r26: increase 36 sts evenly around, mm (108 sts)

r27: sc into each st around, mm

r28: increase 8 sts evenly around, mm (116

sts)

r29 – r40: repeat r27 – r28 6 times, slst.

(164 sts)

<u>2nd layer</u> – work from brim back to top, crochet on front loops only turn your hat upside down, so that the last row of 1st layer becomes the first row **slst in each st around**

Follow the tension of the first layer or else you might encounter some shrinkage in the size, change to bigger hook if required. Hide all ends.

Sun Hats for the Family

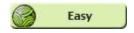
By: Corina Gray from Stitch 11

Make Sun Hats for the Family by working up these crochet designs. Crochet instructions are included for all sizes from six months all the way to adults. These are great for any time of year to keep the sun out of your eyes. Choose your favorite colors, add a ribbon and voila.



Sun Hats for the Family

This image courtesy of stitch11.com



Crochet Hook: H/8 or 5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Child Size Sunhat

Materials:

 5mm hook
 4 ply cotton (I used Peaches and Creme cotton yarn)

Abbreviations:

CH - Chain

HDC - Half Double Crochet

DC – Double crochet

SC – single Crochet

(CH-3 does not count as DC)

Instructions:

Round 1: Magic Ring, CH 3, DC 10, pull ring tight, join to top CH of CH 3

Round 2: CH 3, 2 DC each DC around. Join to top CH of CH 3. (20 DC)

Round 3: CH 3. *2 DC in next DC, DC in next DC, repeat from * around. Join to top CH of CH 3. (30 DC)

Round 4: CH 3. *2 DC in next DC, DC in next 2 DC, repeat from * around. Join to top CH of CH 3. (40 DC)

Round 5: CH 3. *2 DC in next DC, DC in next 3 DC, repeat from * around. Join to top CH of CH 3. (50 DC)

Round 6: CH 3. *2 dc in next DC, DC in next 4 DC, repeat from * around. Join to top CH of CH 3. (60 DC)

Round 7-12: CH 3, DC in each DC around. Join to top CH of CH 3. Do not finish off.

Add one more row to the last step (totaling 13) for bigger kids.

Floppy Brim:

Round 1: ~Working in front loop only for this round only~CH 2 *2 HDC in next loop, HDC in next 2 loops, repeat from * around, connect to top of CH 2

Round 2: CH 2 *2 HDC in next HDC, HDC in

next 2 HDC, repeat from * around, connect to top of CH 2
Round 3-4: CH 2 *2 HDC in next HDC, HDC in next 4 HDC, repeat from * around, connect to top of CH 2
Round 5: CH 2 *2 HDC in next stitch, 1 HDC in next 5 stitches, repeat from * around. connect to top of CH 2
Round 6: CH 1, SC around, connect to CH 1

I used 7 strands of yarn and weaved them in and out every 2 stitches in row 12 (13 for the bigger kid size). Make sure you leave a little slack so the hat can stretch over the child's head.

Get more sizes from Corina's blog.

Crochet Barefoot Sandal Patterns

Barefoot Sandals

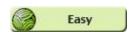
By: Michael Sellick from The Crochet Crowd

If you're looking to dress up your feet this summer but you don't feel like wearing shoes, then you'll love these Barefoot Sandals. This free crochet pattern is all the rage this season. It's a simple design using crochet thread that you can embellish any way you want.



Barefoot Sandals

This image courtesy of thecrochetcrowd.com



Crochet Hook: 2 or 2.25 mm hook (steel)

Yarn Weight: (0) Lace (33-40 stitches to 4 inches). Includes crochet thread.

Measurements of this finished sample:

- Front to back unstretched is 14".
- Strap at toe region is 1/2" wide.
- Strap over the instep is 1/2" wide.
- Strap toward the back of the foot is 1/4" wide.
- Flower diameter is 2" wide.

Materials:

- Size D or 2.5 mm Crochet Hook
- 2 balls of crochet thread, one for the main strap colour and second for the flower. You could use Red Heart Fashion Thread or Bernat Handicrafter Crochet Thread.

Special Instructions:

 This project is completed in three sections. First is the toe and one side of the strap as one continuous section. Second is the other side of the strap. Final section is the flower on top.

Abbreviations:

CH = Chain, DC = Double Crochet, SL ST = Slip Stitch, BEG = Beginning, FP = Front Post, 2 SC TOG = 2 Single Crochet's Together to reduce stitches.





Sandal Section 1 Instructions:

- Starting at the front of the foot. CH 6, SC 2nd from hook and remainder of the line. (Total of 5 Stitches across). Turn.
- 2. Ch 1, SC all the way across and turn.
- 3. Repeat Step 2, 26 Times. Total length is 3".
- 4. Fold project in half, then flip on one strap 180 degrees. This makes the strap look identical on both side of the toe and comfortable to wear. If you do not flip one strap, the project will try to untwist itself when wearing and will be uncomfortable an unfashionable.
- 5. CH 1 and SC the BEG row and the new row at the same time to make the project permanently joined with a nice clean finish. Turn
- 6. Repeat step 2, 3 more times.
- 7. Turn, CH 1, place 2 SC into the 1st stitch, 1 SC into each along the row. Last stitch on row gets 2 SC's. This will cause the row to grow out on an angle.

- 8. Repeat step 7 6 more times. Turn.
- 9. CH 3, 1 DC into the next 3 stitches. Turn.
- 10. Repeat step 9, 10 more times. Turn.
- 11. SL ST 1st st, CH 3, 1 DC into next. Turn.
- 12. Repeat Step 11 24 Times.
- 13. Fasten Off and carefully weave in tail.

Section 2, Strap Other Side:

1. Fasten on the opposite side. Repeat steps 9 - 13 as mentioned directly above.

Flower Applique:



- 1. CH 4 and join SL ST to form ring.
- 2. CH 3, DC 11 into the ring. Join SL ST to the top of the BEG CH.
- 3. CH 3, place 3 DC into each ST all the way around. Join SL ST to the top of the BEG CH.
- 4. Repeat step 3.
- 5. Fasten off and weave in tail.

Sew Flower using same colour of flower to the top of the barefoot sandal. Ensure before sewing that you have decided which side is up. I did mine so that the beginning row of the project is on the underside.

Toddler Barefoot Sandals

By: Lauren for <u>Tutus & Tea Parties</u>

If your kids don't like wearing shoes and socks around the house you can still dress up their feet with these adorable Toddler Barefoot Sandals. This is an easy crochet pattern you can whip up in no time. They would also make fun photo shoots!



Toddler Barefoot Sandals

This image courtesy of tutusandteaparties.blogspot.com



Crochet Hook: F/5 or 3.75 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (3) Light/DK (21-24 stitches to

4 inches)

Materials:

- F hook
- Weight 3 yarn {I used Caron Simply Soft}

Instructions:

Ch 10 & join to form a ring
2 Sc in ring
Ch 2, turn {counts as 1st dc now and throughout}, dc in 1st st, 2 dc in next st {4 dc made}
Ch 2, turn, dc in 1st st, dc in next 2, 2 dc in last dc {6 dc made}
Ch 2, turn, dc in 1st st, dc in next 4, 2dc in last {8 dc made}
Ch 2, turn, dc in 1st st, dc in next 6, 2dc in

Ankle strap options:

last {10 dc made}

Loop-

Ch 20 and join on opposite dc of row {on the other side}

Tie-

Ch 20 (or more) and fasten off. Join on other side and ch same amount. Two ties created.

To put on, put on large ankle strap then pull toe strap over toe.

Strappy Summer Sandals

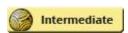
By: Teri Heathcote from <u>Knot Your Nana's</u> <u>Crochet</u>

Hit the beach this summer with these cute Strappy Summer Sandals. This free crochet pattern is written for children and will fit toddlers with a US size 11 shoe. They measure 6.75 inches or 17centimeters from heel to toe. The straps are crocheted separately and then sewn onto the sandals. Buttons are used to secure the straps. Be sure to use a yarn that can be laundered easily, as these will surely get dirty as the kids are busy having fun in the sun.



Strappy Summer Sandals

This image courtesy of knotyournanascrochet.blogspot.com



Crochet Hook: H/8 or 5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (3) Light/DK (21-24 stitches to 4 inches)

+ inches,

Stitches used:

dc: Double Crochettrc: Triple Crochetsc: Single Crochet

Materials:

- 5mm hook
- dk yarn

Sole - Make 4 (2 for each sandal)



Round 1: Ch 20, dc in 3rd ch from the hook, 15 dc, trc in next st, 2 trc in next st, 10 trc in end chain. *Working other side of foundation ch.* 2 trc in next st, 1 trc in next st, 15 dc, 2 dc in last st

Round 2: 2 dc in first dc of last round, 19 dc, 2dc in nxt, 1 dc, 2dc next, 1 dc, 2 dc nxt, 21 dc, 2 dc nxt x 3.

Round 3. sc around 53, SI st into nxt st finish off

To join soles together:

With contrasting colour (cc) SI St around to join the two soles together. I started at the heel as the join will be covered when the back of the sandal is sewed on. I also inserted a piece of cardboard between the two soles to make it less flimsy. Thinking now plastic may be better as you will be able to wash them. Something like an ice

cream container would work well for this.





Front Straps (make 4):

I changed to a 4mm hook here

Ch 20, dc in 3rd ch from hook, dc across. Finish off.

With contrasting colour sl st around

Back Strap (right shoe):

Ch 2 counts as a dc

Row 1: Ch 45, 43 dc across (44 dc) ch 2, turn

Row 2: 7 dc across, (8dc) ch 2, turn

Row 3: 7 dc across, (8dc) finish off.

Row 2: Other side,

With right side facing you, count 16 st to the right, attach yarn, ch 2, 7 dc (8dc) Ch 2, turn.

Row 3: 7 dc (8dc) ch 1, turn.

Row 4: 8 sc across, ch 8, join to other side with a sl st, 8 sc. Ch 2, turn.

Row 5. 8 dc, 8 dc over chain, 8 dc, (24 dc) finish off leaving a tail long enough for sewing onto sole

With cc, sl st around outside and around the back opening.

Back Strap (left shoe)

Row 1: Ch 45, 43 dc across (44 dc) Finish off.

Row 2: With wrong side facing. Count 20 from right end of work, attach yarn, ch2, 7 dc (8dc) ch 2, turn

Row 3: 7 dc (8dc) finish off

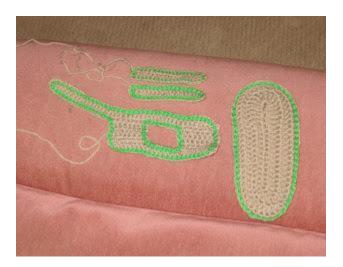
Row 2: Other side Attach Yarn to short end of strap. Ch 2, 7 dc. (8dc). ch2 turn.

Row 3: 7 dc (8dc) **Ch 1**, turn.

Row 4: 8 sc, ch 8, join to other side with a sl st, 8 sc, ch 2, turn.

Row 5. 8 dc, 8 dc over chain, 8 dc, (24 dc) finish off leaving a tail long enough for sewing onto sole

With cc, sl st around outside and around the back opening.





When sewing back strap to sole ensure the strap joins (where button goes) on the outside of the shoe.

Sew front straps onto the shoes

Add buttons to secure strap.

DIY Beach Bag

All-Purpose Striped Basket

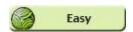
By: Barbara de Bruin-Karnekamp from <u>Busy</u> Fingers, Busy Life

This All-Purpose Striped Basket can be used for so many different things around the house. You could use this free crochet pattern as a toy basket for kids or pets, laundry basket for dirty clothes, or even a picnic basket during the warmer months. The colored stripes are a nice design element that can be customized to suit your own personal color preferences. Fabric lining (with or without fusible webbing) is optional, but it does make it sturdy enough for it to stand up on its own. Another option is to use starch as a stiffener.



All-Purpose Striped Basket

This image courtesy of busyfingersbusylife.blogspot.nl



Crochet Hook: E/4 or 3.5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (3) Light/DK (21-24 stitches to

4 inches)

Abbreviations:

Ch: chain
Sl st: slip stitch
Sc: single crochet
Dc: double crochet
Blo: back loop only

Notes:

With this pattern you can make the basket and I will give you a basic explanation on how to add lining. On my blog you can find detailed instructions on how to line crocheted/knitted items with fabric. Of course it is not mandatory to line the basket with fabric (I used fusible webbing to make it more stiff), but otherwise it will not stand up on its own. If you want to make it stand up without fabric, you will probably have to stiffen it with starch.

I changed colours every row, but not on the first row without increases and chose the same colour for the last round before making the handles (see pictures).

Finished measurement:

Bottom: 6.3 " x 6.3" Height: 6.5 inches

Gauge: 8 rows and 14 dc is 4"x 4"

Materials:

- Rowan Handknit Cotton in a variety of colours, or any other DK/light worsted weight yarn
- Crochet hook size 4.0 mm
- Cotton fabric
- Fusible webbing (Vlieseline 630, this is a webbing that adds a bit of loft and can be ironed onto the fabric)
- Needle and thread

Instructions:

Do not turn work at the end of the round. Choose different colours for each round.

Ch3, sl st to close.

Round 1: Ch3, dc eleven times into ring (12 dc)

Round 2: Ch3, dc into same st, dc twice into each st, sl st to top ch of ch3 (24 dc)

Round 3: Ch3, dc into next two dc, *dc 5 times into next dc, dc in next five st*, repeat between ** two more times, dc 5 times into next st, dc into last two dc, sl st to top ch of ch3 (40 dc)

Round 4: Ch3, dc into next four dc, *dc 5 times into middle dc of dc5 group of previous round, dc into next nine dc*, repeat between ** two more times, dc 5 times into middle dc of dc5 group of previous round, dc into last four dc, sl st to top ch of ch3 (56 dc)

Round 5: Ch3, dc once into next six dc, * dc 5 times into next dc, dc once into next 13 dc*, repeat between ** two more times, dc 5 times into middle dc of dc5 group, dc once into last six dc, sl st to top ch of ch3 (72 dc)

Round 6: Ch3, dc once into next eight dc, * dc 5 times into next dc, dc once into next 17 dc*, repeat between ** two more times, dc 5 times into middle dc of dc5 group, dc once into last eight dc, sl st to top ch of ch3 (88 dc)

If you want to alter the size of the bottom of the bag, just keep increasing like round 3-

6 describe, making 5 dc into the middle stitch of dc5 groups of previous rounds. You will increase each round with 16 stitches.

Round 7: Ch3, dc into blo of each dc, sl st to top ch of ch3 (88 dc)

Round 8: Ch3, dc into each dc, sl st to top ch of ch3 (88 dc)

Repeat round 8 eleven more times, changing colour for each round (round 9-19)

If you want to alter the height of the bag, just add rounds as described in round 8. As a rule of thumb for a boxy basket, add as much rounds as the bottom is wide.

Round 20: Ch3, dc once into next 15 dc, ch19, sk next 13 dc, dc into next 31 dc, ch19, sk next 13 dc, dc into next 15 dc, sl st to top ch of ch3

Round 21: Ch3, dc once into next 15 dc, sc into each ch st, dc into next 31 dc, sc into each ch st, dc into last 15 dc, sl st to top ch of ch3

Round 22: SI st into blo of each st, sI st to first sI st. Fasten off.



Adding the lining

Measure the bottom and the sides (for the last one lay your basket flat and measure from side to side). Make one piece for the bottom and two pieces for the sides. Add a seam allowance to all sides (I added 1.5 cm to each side). Cut your fabric and iron the fabric onto the fusible web. Sew the sides together and sew the sides to the bottom. Fold over the seam allowance on the top of the fabric and pin the fabric to the basket. Sew in place with a whip stitch.

Deep Blue Sea Purse

By: Tamara Kelly from Moogly

If you dream of spending time at the beach, perhaps this Deep Blue Sea Purse will suffice for now. The beautiful striped design of this free crochet pattern reminds me of the ocean waves. The coolest thing about this purse pattern is that there are three different options for finishing it- you can make it a clutch, you can crochet a handle, or you can attach a wooden or plastic handle. It's a great accessory for any girl to have.



Deep Blue Sea Purse

This image courtesy of mooglyblog.com



Crochet Hook: G/6 or 4 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Materials:

- US-G, 4.0mm hook
- Approximately 300 yds total Aran or Worsted weight yarn, in 5 colors (I Love This Yarn in Navy, Royal, Turquoise, White, and Gray Mist shown)
- 4 Stitch Markers
- Handles, optional
- Fabric lining with closure, optional

Instructions:

Row 1: With **Color A**, ch 40. Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch to end. Turn. (39 sts)

Row/Round 2: Ch 1, hdc in each st to end of row. Turning to work in the side, hdc in the side of the first st of Row 1. Turning again, hdc in the each ch of the starting ch, opposite the first row of hdc sts. With one more clockwise turn, hdc in the side of the last st of Row 1 and join to the first st of Row 2 with a sl st, to begin working in the round. Do not turn. (80 sts)

Round 3: Ch 2 (does not count as first st), dc in each st around. Join with a sl st to first dc. (80 sts)

Round 4: Ch 1, sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. (80 sts)



Round 5: Ch 2, fptrc around dc below the first st. Dc into the next st. *Fptrc around the st below the next st, dc in the next st. Repeat from * to end. Join with a sl st to first fptrc. (80 sts)

Round 6: Ch 1, sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. (80 sts)

Round 7: Ch 2, dc in the 1st st, fptrc around st below next st. *Dc in the next st, fptrc around the st below the next st. Repeat from * to end. Join with a sl st to first dc. (80 sts)

Round 8: Ch 1, sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc, using the Next Color. (80 sts)

Round 9-12: With Color B, repeat Rounds 5-8.

Round 13-16: With Color C, repeat Rounds 5-8.

Round 17-20: With Color D, repeat Rounds 5-8.

Round 21-24: With Color E, repeat Rounds 5-8. Add more stripes in pattern for a taller bag if desired. Do not cut yarn, but go to the Finishing Instruction set of your choice.

Finishing Instructions:

For Clutch Style Bag:

At end of Round 24, break yarn and use seamless join to finish off. Weave in ends.

Add fabric lining if desired.



For Crochet handle Style Bag:

Round 25: Ch 1, sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. (80 sts)

Round 26: Counting from the 1st st, place marker at sts #15, 30, 55, and 70. Check that they match up when the bag is laid flat, and that they are spaced to your preferences. [For a longer (arm or shoulder style) strap bag, move the markers out to the sides to create the opening desired.]



Ch 1 and sc to 1st marker. Remove marker and sc in that st. Ch 14 and skip to next

marked st. Sc in marked st (remove marker). Sc in each st to next marker. Remove marker and sc in that st. Ch 14 and skip to next marked st. Sc in marked st (remove marker). Sc in remaining 10 sts. Join with sl st to first sc. (52 sc and 28 ch)

Round 27: Ch 1, sc in each st and ch to end. Join with sl st to first sc. (80 sts)

Round 28: Ch 1, sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. (80 sts)

Round 29: Ch 1, sc in each st around. (80 sts) Break and use seamless join to finish off. Weave in ends. Add lining if desired.



For wooden/plastic handle Style Bag:

Round 25: Ch 1, sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. (80 sts)

Round 26 - end:

 Counting from the 1st st, place marker at sts #15, 30, 55, and 70.
 Check that they match up when the bag is laid flat, and that they are the approximate width to fit in your handles, adjusting if necessary.

- Without making a starting ch, sl st in 2nd st of round and each st to marker. Sc in first marked st (remove marker) and each st to second marker, including second marked st (remove marker). (16 sc)
- 3. Ch 1 and sc even across those 16 sc. Repeat until flap is long enough to cover handle. Ending on left side of flap, sl st down left side of flap back to top of bag.



- 4. SI st in each st around to third marker. Sc in third marked st (remove marker) and each st to last marker, including last marked st (remove marker). (16 sc) Make second flap as in Step 3.
- SI st in remaining 10 sts. Break yarn and use seamless join to finish off. Use additional yarn to sew flaps over handles. Weave in ends and add lining if desired.

Flower Power Beach Bag

By: Bernat

Hit the beach in style this summer with this Flower Power Beach Bag. The bright, bold colors of this bag are perfect for the sunny days of summer. This homemade bag measures approximately 18.5 inches wide by 12.5 inches tall when complete. It's just the right size to fit everything you need for a perfect day at the beach: sunglasses, flip flops, water bottle, sun block, and a good book.



Flower Power Beach Bag

This image courtesy of bernat.com



Crochet Hook: H/8 or 5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

MATERIALS:

Bernat® Handicrafter Cotton (50 g/1.75 ozMain color (MC) (13742 Hot Blue) 4 balls **Contrast A** (13712 Hot Green) 2 balls **Contrast B** (13628 Hot Orange) 2 balls **Contrast C** (13740 Hot Pink) 2 balls **Contrast D** (00089 BananaYellow) 2 balls

Size 5 mm (U.S. H/8) crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge.

MEASUREMENTS:

Approx 18½ ins [47 cm] wide x 12½ ins [32 cm] high.

GAUGE: 14 sc and 16 rows = 4 ins [10 cm].

INSTRUCTIONS:

Motif

With color 1, ch 2.

1st rnd: 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join with

sl st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 2 dc in same sp as last sl st. 3 dc in each sc around. Join with

sl st to top of ch 3. 18 dc. Fasten off.

Flower: First Petal: 1st row: Join color 2 with sl st to front loop only of any dc. *Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as last sl st. 1 dc in front loop only of next dc. 2 dc in front loop only of next dc. 5 dc for petal. Turn.

2nd row: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in each dc of petal. Turn.

3rd row: Ch 3 (counts as dc). (Yoh and draw

up a loop in next st. Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) 3 times. Yoh and draw through all loops on hook – dc3tog made. 1 dc in last dc. Fasten off leaving a long end.*

Second Petal: **Rejoin color 2 with sl st to front loop of next unworked sc of 2nd rnd. Rep from * to * once.**

Third to Sixth Petals: Rep from ** to ** 4 times more. 6 petals.

3rd rnd: Join color 3 with sl st to rem back loop of any dc of 2nd rnd. Ch 3. 1 dc in same sp. 2 dc in each rem back loop around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 36 dc.

4th rnd: Ch 3. 1 dc in same sp as last sl st. *1 dc in next dc. 2 dc in next dc. Rep from * to last 5 dc. 2 dc in each of next 4 dc. 1 dc in last dc. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 56 dc. 5th rnd: Ch 1. 1 sc in same sp as last sl st. 1 sc in each of next 4 dc. *1 hdc in each of next 2 dc. 1 dc in each of next 2 dc. 5 tr in next dc for corner. 1 dc in each of next 2 dc. 1 hdc in each of next 2 dc. *1 sc in each of next 5 dc. Rep from * twice more, then from * to ** once.

Join with sl st to first sc.

6th rnd: Ch 1. 1 sc in each st around, working 3 sc in corners. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

Using yarn ends from each petal, sew around outer edges of petals.

Motif I (make 2)

Work as for Motif using MC for color 1, A for color 2 and C for color 3.

Motif II (make 2)

Work as for Motif using D for color 1, C for color 2 and B for color 3.

Motif III (make 2)

Work as for Motif using A for color 1, D for color 2 and MC for color 3.

Motif IV (make 2)

Work as for Motif using C for color 1, D for color 2 and MC for color 3.

Motif V (make 2)

Work as for Motif using B for color 1, MC for color 2 and A for color 3.

Motif VI (make 2)

Work as for Motif using MC for color 1, B for color 2 and C for color 3.

Sew Motifs tog as shown in diagram for Front and Back.

Side and Bottom Section

Note: When changing colors, work to last 2 loops on hook of last st, then draw new color through rem 2 loops and proceed.

With MC, ch 11.

1st row: (RS). 1 dc in 4th ch from hook (counts as 2 dc). 1 dc in each ch across. 9 sts. Join A. Turn.

2nd row: With A, ch 1. 1 sc in each dc across. Join MC. Turn.

3rd row: With MC, ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc

in each sc across. Join A. Turn.

4th row: As 2nd row. Join B. Turn.

5th row: With B, as 3rd row. Join C. Turn. 6th row: With C, as 2nd row. Join B. Turn.

7th row: As 5th row.

8th row: With C, as 2nd row. Join A. Turn. 9th row: With A, as 3rd row. Join MC. Turn. 10th row: With MC, as 2nd row. Join A. Turn.

11th row: With A, as 3rd row. Join MC.

Turn.

12th row: With MC, as 2nd row. Join C.

Turn.

13th row: With C, as 3rd row. Join B. Turn. 14th row: With B, as 2nd row. Join C. Turn. 15th row: With C, as 3rd row. Join B. Turn. 16th row: With B, as 2nd row. Join MC. Turn.

17th row: With MC, as 3rd row. Join A. Turn.

Rep 2nd to 17th rows until work from beg measures length to fit down one side of Back or Front, across bottom, then up rem side. Fasten off.

Pin Side and Bottom Section to Front and Back along 3 sides.

Edging: 1st rnd: Join MC with sl st in top left corner of Front or Back of Bag. Ch 1. 3 sc in same sp as sl st. Work sc evenly around, working 3 sc in corners and working through both thicknesses where Front and Side sections meet. Join with sl st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. Working from left to right, instead of from right to left as usual, work 1 reverse sc in each sc around. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

Rep edging for Back of Bag.

Handles (make 2)

With MC, ch 50.

1st row: (RS). 1 dc in 4th ch from hook (counts as 2 dc). 1 dc in each ch across. 48 sts. Turn.

2nd and 3rd rows: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in each dc across. Turn.

Fold Handle in half lengthwise and work 1 row of sc through 3rd row and rem loops of foundation ch. Fasten off.
Sew on handles as shown in picture.

Straw Beach Bag

By: Joanne for Craft Passion

Hit the beach in style this summer with this Straw Beach Bag. Use rafia yarn to complete this crochet pattern; it's softer than you might imagine and is surprisingly easy to crochet with. This bag is roomy enough to fit all your beach essentials!



Straw Beach Bag

This image courtesy of craftpassion.com



Crochet Hook: E/4 or 3.5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: Other

Abbreviations:

ch = chain

bl = back loop

sc = single crochet

sc2tog=single crochet 2 together

sk = skip

slst = slip stitch

st = stitch

fo = fasten off

mm = move marker

Materials:

- Crochet rafia yarn, approximate quantity: Beige 180gram, brown 60 gram, dark brown 60 gram
- 3.5mm crochet hook
- 15mm eyelet, 12 sets
- Handles (20") a pair
- Strong sewing thread (preferably nylon thread)
- Elastic band (20") with 2 ribbons ties (2" x 16") at the ends
- Eyelet installation tool and hammer set
- Strong sewing needle
- Tapestry needle

Finished dimension:

Approx. 15" (W) x 12" (H) excluding handles

Tension: Approx 16 sts x 14 rows single crochet (4 inches square)

Directions:

<u>1st layer</u> – work from bottom to top, crochet on back loops only.

Round Base

With Dark Brown Raffia

beg sl knot, ch3, join with slst to the first ch to make a circle

r1: ch1 sc8, mm (8 st)

r2 – r14: increase 8 sts evenly for each round, mm (112 sts)

Body

r15 – 16: sc into each st around, mm

r17: increase 8 sts evenly, mm (120 sts)

r18 – r19: sc into each st around, mm

r20 - r23: repeat r17 - r19, then r17 again (136 sts)

With Brown Raffia

r24 – r25: sc into each st around, mm

r26 – r29: repeat r17 – r19, then r17 again (152 sts)

r30 - r40: sc into each st around, mm

With Beige Raffia

r41 - r53: sc into each st around, mm

r54: "ch1 sk 1 st, 1 sc in next 11 st", *ch1 sk 1 st, 1 sc in next 12 st* repeat 4 times, repeat " 2

times, repeat * 4 times, repeat " 1 time (to create 12 holes)

r55 – r56: sc into each st around, slst.

<u>2nd layer</u> – work from top to bottom, crochet on front loops only turn your bag upside down, so that the last row of 1st layer becomes the first row (view the pictures below to visualize)

slst in each st around

5 rounds of Beige

1 round of brown

1 round of dark brown

1 round of brown

4 rounds of beige

4 rounds of dark brown

6 rounds of brown

5 rounds of beige

6 rounds of brown

23 rounds of dark brown

fo and hide all ends.



If you are wondering what rafia/raffia yarn is? This is it. Don't get confused with raffia straw, they are different in texture. Rafia is thin and soft, modern rafia is made of plastic or paper. I haven't tried out plastic yarn – plarn, that you can recycle from your grocery plastic bag but I think it should be feasible in making this bag. If you have tried it out, please let me know the result.



Follow the crochet pattern above and get it done until the last row last stitch for the 1st layer. Only work on back loops as we need to use the front loops to crochet the 2nd layer.



Turn the bag upside down, the last row of the 1st layer is now the first row of the 2nd layer. Slip stitch into every front loops of the stitch. Work as the pattern and colors indicated. Follow the 1st layer's tension or else you might encounter some "shrinkage" in size. Use a bigger hook if needed to achieve the same tension. Hide all ends.



I used readymade thick twill tape / nylon handles with matching color. You can either sew it now or after the installation of eyelets. I did it later.



12 of eyelets with their back plates. 15 mm diameter eyelet is just nice to fit into the hole/space we accounted.



Insert the eyelet to the hole, push it through until the eyelet shaft get to the other side.



Place the back plate onto the other side. Line up nicely with the eyelet.



Place them onto the eyelet hammer tool plate. Insert the post tool into it vertically ** important**, make sure they are aligned nicely. Hammer and whack it a few times.



The eyelet shaft rolled and locked the back plate in place.



The front view. Repeat 12 times to get 12 eyelets installed.

If you haven't sewn the handles, you can do it now. If you can't find the twill handles, you can crochet it with the rafia yarn or sew one.

Pass the elastic band with ribbon ends through the eyelets and tie.

Summer Crochet Ideas

Popsicle Snuggy

By: Elisabeth Spivey from <u>Calleigh's Clips &</u> <u>Crochet Creations</u>

Frozen treats are a must-have during those hot summer days. The one thing we might not like is how cold they are when we're holding them in our hands. With this simple crochet pattern you can make an easy Popsicle Snuggy to keep your hands warm and your popsicle cool. This crochet design can be worked up with your leftover yarn in all different crochet colors.



Popsicle Snuggy

This image courtesy of calleighsclips.blogspot.com



Crochet Hook: H/8 or 5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Materials:

- H Hook
- Cotton Worsted Weight Yarn like Lilly Sugar N Cream. You could also use acrylic worsted if desired
- Tapestry Needle

Notes:

- *Chain stitch does not count in stitch count!
- *The number at the end of each row is the stitch count for the row(#)
- *Measures approx 5 1/2 6 inches in length
- *Gauge: 1" x 1" swatch = 3 rows of 4 sc

Worked in Continuous Rounds. Do not join rounds.

Round 1: ch 5, 2 sc in 2nd ch from the hook, sc in next 2 chs, 2 sc in last ch, continue your work on the opposite side of the chain, sc in next 2 ch, sc in last ch { same st you worked the 1st 2 sts in} (9)

Round 2: sc in next 9 sts (9)

Round 3-18: sc in next 9 sts **(9)**

To finish off, skip next st, sl st to next st, fasten off and weave in ends.



Gopher Golf Club Cover

By: Nancy Anderson for Red Heart

Make this Gopher Golf Club Cover for the golfer in your life. This easy crochet pattern is a great gift idea for his birthday, Father's Day, or just because. This cute gopher cover is sure to remind him of his favorite golf comedy, Caddyshack. It measures 13.5 inches tall when complete and can be made to fit a variety of driver sizes.



Gopher Golf Club Cover

This image courtesy of redheart.com



Crochet Hook: H/8 or 5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Cover measures 13½" tall.

MATERIALS:

- RED HEART® "Super Saver®": 1 skein each 360 Café A, 334 Buff B.
- Crochet Hooks: 4.25mm [US G-6] for gopher head; 5mm [US H-8] for gopher body and inner sock; 5.5mm [US I-9] for inner sock to fit larger size club (460 cc).
- Yarn needle, stitch marker, 10mm safety eyes, black embroidery floss for nose, stuffing.

GAUGE:

24 sts = 4"; 20 rows = 4" in single crochet using smallest hook.

CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

Special Stitch

sc2tog = [draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Special Technique adjustable ring = Holding the yarn a few inches from the end, wrap around your finger. Do not remove wrap from finger, insert hook into the wrap and draw up a loop of working yarn. Chain one to secure the loop, and remove ring from finger. Work stitches of first round in the ring. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

NOTES:

1. Cover is designed to fit most larger size drivers including the 460 cc. The inner ribbed sock allows gopher to fit securely over the club. Increase or decrease rib rows of inner sock, as needed, for A custom fit.

- 2. Pieces of cover are worked in continuous rounds. Do not join and do not turn at the end of rounds.
- 3. Pieces of cover are worked separately and sewn together using yarn tails.
- 4. Smallest hook is used for head of gopher, to ensure that stuffing will not show through stitches. Middle size hook is used for body of gopher and inner sock, to provide additional stretch. Largest hook is used for inner sock to fit larger (460 cc) club.
- 5. To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over, yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Fasten off old color. Proceed with new color.

CLUB COVER

Nose Blaze

With smallest hook and A, ch 5.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—4 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, skip first sc, sc in next sc, skip next sc, sc in last sc, turn—2 sc.

Rows 3–7: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn. Row 8: Slip st in each st across. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Head

With smallest hook and A, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1: Work 6 sc in ring—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round, move marker up as work progresses.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 6 times—18 sc.

Round 4: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc] 6 times—24 sc.

Round 5: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc] 6 times—30 sc.

Rounds 6–8: Sc in each sc around; change to B in last sc of Round 8. Fasten off A.

Note: In the following 8 rounds, no increases are worked in the first 3 sc. This flat area is for the nose blaze. You may wish to put a stitch marker in this flat area for later reference.

Round 9: With B, sc in each sc around.

Round 10: Sc in next 3 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 13 times, 2 sc in next sc—44 sc.

Round 11: [Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 11 times—55 sc.

Round 12: Sc in next 3 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc] 10 times, 2 sc in next sc, sc in last sc—66 sc.

Rounds 13-15: Sc in each sc around.

Round 16: Sc in next 3 sc, [sc2tog, sc in next

2 sc] 15, sc2tog, sc in next sc—50 sc.

Round 17: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc] 10 times—40 sc.

Round 18: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc] 10

times—30 sc.

Round 19: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc] 6 times—24 sc.

Round 20: [Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sc] 6 times; change to A in last sc—18 sc.

Change to middle size hook.

Round 21: With A, working loosely, sc in each sc around.

Attach nose blaze and safety eyes:

Beginning with color change round (Round 9), pin nose blaze with wider row at top (Round 9), to the flat 3-sc area at the beginning of

Rounds 9–16. Sew nose blaze in place and weave in end. Attach safety eyes, one on each side of top of nose blaze, as pictured. Stuff head firmly. Change back to smallest hook.

Round 22: Working in back loops only, sc in each sc around.

Round 23: [Sc2tog, sc in next sc] 6 times— 12 sc. Continue to stuff head firmly as work

proceeds.

Round 24: [Sc2tog] 6 times—6 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Remove beginning of round marker. Weave tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Secure and weave in end.

Sculpt Eye Area: With needle and a long piece of A, insert needle through bottom of head and bring out on inside (nose side) of left eye. Bring yarn across and insert back into head at inside of right eye. Pull needle back through bottom of head. Pull gently on both ends of yarn, to form a small gather in head between the eyes, and tie ends together. Repeat this process once more.

Body

Round 1: With middle size hook and working in unworked front loops of Round 21 of head, draw up a loop of A in any sc, ch 1, sc in same sc and in each sc around—18 sc. Place marker for beginning of round, move marker up as work progresses.

Round 2: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc] 6 times—24 sc.

Round 3: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc] 8 times—32 sc.

Round 4: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 16 times—48 sc.

Round 5: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 15 sc] 3 times—51 sc.

Rounds 6 and 7: Sc in each sc around.

Round 8: [Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 10 times, sc in last sc—61 sc.

Rounds 9–30: Sc in each sc around.

Round 31: [Sc in next 4 sc, sc2tog] 10 times, sc in last sc—51 sc.

Rounds 32–36: Sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

Ears (Make 2)

With smallest hook and A, ch 6; join with

slip st in first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 1, 8 sc in ring; do not join—8 sc. Place marker for beginning of round, move marker up as work progresses.
Round 2: Sc in next sc, sc2tog, sc in last 5

Round 2: Sc in next sc, sc2tog, sc in last 5 sc—7 sc.

Round 3: Sc in next 3 sc, sc2tog, sc in last 2 sc—6 sc.

Round 4: [Sc2tog] 3 times—3 sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Weave tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Use remaining tails to sew one ear to each side of head.

Arms (Make 2)

With middle size hook and A, ch 7; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 1, 9 sc in ring; do not join—9 sc. Place marker for beginning of round, move marker up as work progresses.

Round 2: Sc in each sc around.

Round 3: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc] 2 times, 2 sc in last sc—12 sc.

Rounds 4–12: Sc in each sc around.

Round 13: [Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc] 2 times, sc2tog—9 sc.

Round 14: Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc, sc2tog, sc in last 2 sc—7 sc.

Round 15: Work 2 sc in each sc around—14 sc.

Round 16: Sc in each sc around.

Round 17: [Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sc] 2 times—12 sc.

Round 18: Sc in each sc around.

Round 19: [Sc2tog] 6 times—6 sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Weave tail through stitches of last round and pull to close opening. Stuff firmly. Leave remaining tail for sewing arm to side of body.

Inner Sock

Note: If making cover to fit 460 cc club, use largest hook. Otherwise, use middle size

hook.

With A, ch 31.

Row 1: Working in back loops only, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—30 sc.

Rows 2–30: Working in back loops only, sc in each sc across. Fold piece in half, bringing last row to meet foundation ch.

Seaming Row: Working through both thicknesses, slip st across to seam sides and form a tube.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail. Thread tail through ends of row around one end of tube, pull to gather and close opening. Leave remaining tail for sewing sock inside body of gopher.

FINISHING

Turn body inside out. With yarn tail, sew

inner sock to body of gopher, just under the head. Weave in end. Turn right side out. Pin arms to sides of upper portion of body, as in photo.

With yarn tails, sew arms in place. Weave in ends.

With black embroidery floss, and using photograph as a guide, embroider straight st nose at end of nose blaze.

ABBREVIATIONS:

A and B = Color A and B

ch = chain

sc = single crochet

st(s) = stitch(es)

[] = work directions in brackets the number
of times specified.



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