



Crochet Sweater & Skirt



Size: UK 10/12-12/14 (14/16-16/18) US 6/8-8/10 (10/12-12/14) EU 36/38-38/40 (40/42-42/44)

Note: figures in brackets () refer to larger size. Where only one figure is given this refers to both sizes.

Skill Level: intermediate

How much yarn: 10 (11) balls (each ball 100g and 260m) of Santiago yarn (70% Baby Alpaca,

30% Cotton) shade no. 30917 **Hooks:** A 4.00mm crochet hook A 4.50mm crochet hook

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

Other items: Stitch-markers A nacre button 1.5cm in diameter

STITCHES

Chain (ch) – Slip stitch (ss)

Double crochet (dc) - Treble (tr)

RIDGE DOUBLE CROCHET FRONT (RDCF): work 1 dc inserting hook into front loop only of previous row. RIDGE DOUBLE CROCHET BACK (RDCB): work 1 dc inserting hook into back loop only of previous row. FANCY STITCH:

(work over any number of stitches)

1st row: (RS) ch1 (that doesn't count as a stitch), 1 dc into each st, turn. **2nd row:** ch1, 1 RdcF into each st, turn. **3rd row:** ch1, 1 RdcB into each st, turn. **From**

4th row: rep last 2 rows throughout.

FILET STITCH (ON ROWS):

(work over any number of stitches)

1st row: ch3 (= 1st tr), 1 tr into each st, turn.

2nd row: ch3, 1 tr into space between 2nd and 3rd tr of previous row, * 1 tr into space between next 2 trebles; rep from * ending with 1 tr into space between last tr and beg ch3 of previous row, then work 1 tr into 3rd of these 3 ch, turn. Rep 2nd row throughout, making sure you always have the same number of stitches while you work, bearing in mind any increases and decreases of course. FILET STITCH (ON ROUNDS):

(work over any number of stitches)

Ist round: ch3 (= 1st tr), 1 tr into each st, ending with a ss at left of beg ch3 (i.e. "winding" these 3 ch). **2nd round:** yarn on hook, insert hook below space between last closing ss of previous round and treble that precedes it (i.e. proceeding backwards), yarn on hook and work 1 tr, * 1 tr into space between next 2 trebles; rep from * ending with 1 ss at left of beg treble (i.e. "winding" this tr). Rep 2nd round throughout, making sure you always have the same number of stitches while you work, bearing in mind any increases and decreases of course.

TENSIONS

14 sts and 12 rows/rounds measure 10cm square over filet stitch with 4.00 mm crochet hook. 12 sts and 12 rows/rounds measure 10cm square over with 4.50 mm crochet hook. Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tensions to achieve success.

INSTRUCTIONS SKIRT

Back and front: work in one piece, up-down, starting from waistedge. With 4.00mm hook ch 96 (112) and work a row of Filet Stitch. Cont to work Filet Stitch on rows, inc 1 st (= work 2 tr into same space) at each end, inside 9 sts, and at either side of centre 20 sts (there are 4 tr increased) on next and every following 2 rows, working increases above previous: there are 108 sts and 4 rows have been worked. End 4th row with a ss at left of beg ch3 (i.e. "winding" these 3 ch) and cont to work Filet Stitch on rounds, increasing 4 sts every round as given before 4 more times: there are 124 (140) sts. When work measures 28 (30)cm from beg, corresponding to 33 (36) rounds/rows, shape skirt flared, increasing as follows: **34th (37th) round:** work 2 (4) sts, [work 9 (10) sts, 1 inc into next st] 12 times, work 2 (4) sts: there are 136 (152) sts. Work in Filet Stitch until to 38th (41st) round without incs, then work as follows: **39th (42nd) round:** [work 9 (10) sts, 1 inc into next st] 13 times, work 5 (8) sts, 1 inc into next st: there are 150 (166) sts. Cont in Filet Stitch until to 44th (47th) round without incs, then work as follows: **45th (48th) round:** [work 9 (10) sts, 1 inc into next st] 15 times, work 0 (1) st: there are 165 (181) sts. Cont in Filet Stitch until to 51st (54th) round without incs. Note: from 52nd (54th) round change hook and work with 4.50mm hook. **52nd (55th) round:** [work 9 (10) sts, 1 inc into next st] 16 times, 4 sts, 1 inc into next st: there are 182 (198) sts. Work in Filet Stitch until to 59th (62nd) round without incs, then work as follows: **60th (63rd) round:** [work 9 (10) sts, 1 inc into next st] 18 times, work 2 (0) sts: there are 200 (216) sts. When work measures 80 (87) cm from beg, corresponding to 96 (104) rounds/rows, fasten off.

Waistband: work on opposite side of skirt beg chains. With 4.00mm hook, join yarn with a ss to 1st ch on LH (left side) hand, ch4 plus 1 turning ch (for waistband overlap), turn, 1 dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc into each of next 3 ch, then cont to work in Fancy Stitch on opposite side of skirt beg chains: there are 100 (116) sts. Across 3th row open 1 buttonhole on RH (right hand) side of waistband working as follows: work until to last 2 sts, ch1, miss 1 st, work last st of row. When work measures 3cm from beg, cor-

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responding to 6 rows, fasten off. Sew button on waistband overlap, to correspond buttonhole.

INSTRUCTIONS SWEATER

Back: with 4.00mm hook ch 56 (63) and work in Filet Stitch on rows. Inc 1 st at each end on 25th (28th) and on 28th (32nd) row: there are 60 (67) sts. When work measures 26(30)cm from beg, corresponding to 31 (36) rows, shape armholes: leave 4 sts unworked at each end of next row, then dec 1 st, inside 1 st, at each end of next 3 rows: to decrease 1 st work **2tr joined together (tr2tog):** yarn on hook, insert hook in stitch, yarn on hook and pull a loop through, yarn on hook and pull through two loops on hook; yarn on hook, insert hook in next stitch, yarn on hook and pull a loop through, yarn on hook and pull through two loops on hook; yarn on hook and pull through the 3 loops on the hook. There are 46 (53) sts. When work measures 40 (46)cm from beg, corresponding to 48 (55) rows, shape neck: don't work centre 26 (29) sts , join another ball of yarn and cont on either side separately. When work measures 43.5 (49.5)cm from beg, corresponding to 52 (59) rows, fasten off.

Front: work up down, starting from neckedge. With 4.00mm hook ch 77 (83) and work in Filet Stitch on rows as follows: from 1st to 6th (8th) row: inc 1 st at beg of row, work in Filet Stitch until to centre st, 3 tr into centre st, cont to work in Filet Stitch until to last but one st, 2 tr into last st. At end of 6th row there are 101 (115) sts. Shape armholes: leave first and last 21 (24) sts unworked and cont only on centre 59 (67) sts as follows: from **7th (9th) to 13th (16th) row:** inc 1 st at beg of row, work in Filet Stitch until to centre st, 3 tr into centre st, cont to work in Filet Stitch until to last but one st, 2 tr into last st. At end of 13th (16th) row there are 87 (99) sts. From **14th (17th) to 16th (21st) row:** work 1st st, tr2tog into next 2 spaces (= 1 tr decreased), cont to work in Filet Stitch until to centre st, work 3 tr into centre st, cont in Filet Stitch until to last 3 sts, tr2tog into next 2 spaces (= 1 tr decreased), work last st (the number of stitches remains unchanged). To shape Front, don't work centre st, join another ball of yarn and continue separately on either side: there are 43 (49) sts on each side. Work in Filet Stitch on first 43 (49) sts (RH side) dec, inside 1 st, 1 st on RH side and 2 sts on LH side every row 13 (15) times; on following row work (tr2tog) twice, non next row work tr2 tog, then fasten off. On last 43 (49) sts (LH side) work as given for RH side, reversing shape.

Front Lower Border: with 4.00mm hook work 56 (63) sts along Front lower edge and work 3 rows of Filet Stitch, corresponding to 2.5cm, fasten off.

Sleeves (make 2): for each sleeve, with 4.00mm hook ch 36 (43) and, for cuff, work 6 rows in Fancy Stitch, corresponding to 3cm. Cont to work in Filet Stitch on rows, inc 19 sts evenly across 1st row: there are 55 (62) sts. When work measures 28 (33)cm from beg, corresponding to 30 (36) rows, shape top: leave 4 sts unworked at each end of next row and, AT THE SAME TIME, dec 2 sts at each end of every alternate row 8 (9) times, then dec 5 sts evenly on next row. To decrease 2 sts work 3tr joined together (tr3tog). Work 1 row dc. When work measures 42(49)cm from beg, corresponding to 47 (55) rows from cuff, fasten off.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams, pulling the front shoulders slightly to reach measurement from the shoulders of the Back. Finish neck-edge working 2 rounds dc, ending every round with a ss into 1st st and working dc3tog every round in the middle of Front. Fasten off. Set in sleeves. Sew sleeve and side seams. Finish lower edge id sweater working 2 rounds dc, ending every round with a ss into 1st st. Fasten off.

Note: wash garment carefully at low temperatures, with a very little fabric softener. Lay the garment to dry on a flat surface, without ever hanging it.