



**Size:** UK 10 – US 6 – EU 36 – **Skill Level:** easy

**How much yarn:** 2 balls (each ball 100g and 250m) of Martinica yarn (100% Cotton) shade no. 30449

**Needles:** A pair of 4.50mm knitting needles

**Hook:** A 4.00mm crochet hook

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

## STITCHES

**Using needles:** STOCKING STITCH (ST ST):

1 row K (RS), 1 row P (WS) – Tubular stitch.

**Using hook:** DOUBLE CHAIN: ch2. Insert hook in the leftmost loop of the 2nd ch from hook. Yarn over, pull a loop through that same leftmost loop: there are 2 loops on the hook. Yarn over once again. Pull through both loops on the hook, completing one double chain stitch. \* Insert hook under the leftmost loop of previous stitch. Yarn over. Draw up a loop: there are 2 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through both loops on the hook, completing the double chain stitch. Rep from \* to end.

## TENSION

19 sts and 27 rows measure 10cm square over stocking stitch with 4.50mm needles. Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tension to achieve success.

## INSTRUCTIONS

**Back and Front:** (work together from lower edge

until to waistedge) With 4.50mm needles cast on 162 sts. Work in stocking st the dress lower part corresponding to skirt. When work measures 23cm from beg, shape hips as follows: **next row (RS):** K41, SKIP (= slip 1 st, knit 1 st, pass slipped st over K1), K3, SKIP, K66, SKIP, K3, SKIP, K41. **Next row:** P. Work 4 rows in st st. **Next row (dec row – RS):** K to end, decreasing 4 sts evenly, i.e. (SKIP) 4 times above previous decs. Commencing with a P row, work 5 more row in st st. Rep last 6 rows 3 more times. **Next row (dec row – RS):** K to end, decreasing 4 sts evenly, i.e. (SKIP) 4 times above previous decs. **Next row:** P to end. Rep last 2 rows once. 134 sts remain. When work measures 37cm from beg, for Back waist-edge work first and last 34 sts in tubular st for 8 rows, then cast off, grafting stitches in Swiss darning st (Lower Part as Skirt made). Cont to work in st st on rem centre 66 Front sts, for Bodice, increasing 1 st at each end, inside first and last 2 sts, on next and every following 8th row 10 times. There are 86 sts. When Bodice measures 32cm from beg, work a row P on RS, then cast off all sts.

**Laces:** with crochet hook work two double chains approx 38cm long to obtain shoulder straps.

## FINISHING

Sew lower part (= skirt) seam at Back centre. Sew Laces to Bodice upper edge ends.