



American Style



Size: UK 8 - US 4 - EU 34 Skill Level: advanced

How much yarn: 6 balls (each ball 100g and 280 m) of Minorca yarn (65% Cotton, 23% Bamboo,

12% Seaweed Fiber) shade no. 30733

Hook: A 3.75mm crochet hook

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

Other items: Two snap buttons

STITCHES

Using hook: chain (ch) - Slip stitch (ss) Double crochet (dc) - Treble (tr)

FILET STITCH: **1st row:** ch4 (ch3 = 1st tr and ch1= sp), * miss 1 ch, 1 tr into next ch, ch1; rep from * to end, omitting last ch. Turn. **Following rows:** ch4 (ch3= 1st tr and ch1= sp), miss first ch1-sp, * 1 tr into next tr, ch1, miss next ch1-sp; rep from * ending with 1 tr into last tr; turn.

STAGGERED FILET STITCH: **1st row:** ch3 (= 1st tr), 1 tr into next st, ch2, * miss 2 sts, 1 tr into next st, ch2; rep from * ending with miss 2 sts, 1 tr into each of last 2 sts, turn. **Following rows:** ch5 (ch3= 1st tr and ch2= sp), * 1 tr into next ch2-sp, ch2; rep from * ending with 1 tr into last st; turn. **Note:** an extra space is increased on each row

TENSION

19 stitches and 12 rows measure 10cm square over trebles with 3.75 mm crochet hook. 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 them together in rounds.

The dress is worked top down, starting from neckline. Ch30, 1 tr into 5th ch from hook, 1 tr into each of next ch to end: there are 27 tr. Cont to work as follows: 1 row in filet st (there are 13 squares), 1 row of trebles inc 2 sts at beg and at end of the row (for inc, work 3 tr into first sp after 1st tr of row and 2 tr into last sp before last tr): there are 31 sts. Then work 1 row in filet st (there are 15 squares), 1 row of trebles, I row of trebles inc 2 sts at each end as given before (there are 35 sts), 4 rows in staggered filet st (= 11 squares on 1st row, 12 squares on 2nd row, 13 squares on 3rd row and 14 squares on 4th row), 1 row of trebles working 1 tr into each tr and 2 tr into each square (there are 43 sts), 1 row in filet st inc 1 square at beg and at end of row (= work 1 tr and 1 ch into first and last sp: there are 23 squares), I row of trebles inc 2 sts at each end (= work 2 tr into first and last 2 sts and work 1 tr into each st and ch: there are 51 sts), 1 row in filet st (there are 25 squares), 1 row of trebles working 2 sts into first st, 1 st in each of next st, 3 sts into first and last square, 1 st into each of rem squares (there are 56 sts), 2 rows in staggered filet st, starting and ending with 1 tr and missing only 1 ch for first and last square

(there are 19 squares on 1st row and 20 squares on 2nd row), I row of trebles working 2 tr into first tr, I tr into each of next tr, 3 tr into first and last square and 2 tr into rem squares (there are 64 sts), then work other 11 rows of trebles, inc 1 tr at each end every row (there are 86 sts), 2 rows in staggered filet st as given before (there are 29 squares in 1st row and 30 squares in 2nd row), 1 row of trebles working 1 tr into each tr, 3 tr into first and last square and 2 tr into rem squares (there are 93 sts), 1 row in filet st inc 1 square at beg of row (there are 47 squares), 1 row of trebles working 1 tr into each tr, 2 tr into first and last square and 1 tr into each of rem squares (there are 97 sts), 1 row in filet stinc 1 square at beg of row (there are 49 squares), I row of trebles working 1 tr into each tr, 2 tr into first and last square and 1 tr into each of rem squares (there are 101 sts), 4 rows in staggered filet st as given before (= 34 squares on 1st row, 35 squares on 2nd row, 36 squares on 3rd row and 37 squares on 4th row), 1 row of trebles working 2 tr into first tr, 1 tr into each of next tr, 3 tr into first and last square and 2 tr into rem squares (there are 115 sts), 1 row of filet st in order to have 57 squares, 1 row of trebles working 1 tr into each tr, 2 tr into first and last square and 1 tr into each of rem squares (there are 117 sts), I row of filet st inc a square (there are 59 squares), 1 row of trebles as follows: 1 tr into first tr, 2 tr into each of next 2 tr, 3 tr into first and last squares, 1 tr into each of rem squares and 1 tr into each tr until to last 3 tr and work 2 tr into each of next 2 tr and 1 tr into last tr (there are 127 sts), 2 rows in staggered filet starting and ending with 1 tr (there are 42 squares on 1st row and 43 squares on 2nd row); then work I row of trebles working 1 tr into each tr, 3 tr into first and last square and 2 tr into rem squares (there are 132 sts), 1 row of trebles, inc 1 st (working 2 tr into same st) into 31st, 33rd, 100th and 102nd sts for darts. Now for skirt, close work in round and cont to work rounds of trebles, inc 4 sts for darts, above previous incs) every 4th round 4 times, then every following alternate round 5 times (there are 172 sts). When 28 rounds have been worked, work 2 rounds in staggered filet st, 1 round of trebles, 1 round in filet st, 1 round of trebles, I round in filet st and 3 rounds of trebles. Fasten off. For each Back opening, work a border of 2 rows dc along the 5 rows made before skirt. Fasten off. Sew a half of first snap button to an opening border and other half part in correspondence. For **neck closure cords**, work a row of 27 dc on opposite side of starting ch, then ch27, turn, 1 dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc into each of next 25 ch and into each of following 26 dc. Leave last st unworked. Do not fasten off. Using a scrap of same yarn, ch27, remove hook and work rem dc inserting hook into last ch too. Cont to work 1 dc into each ch just made: there are 79 dc at end of row. Turn and work a row in filet st and 1 row dc. Fasten off. Sew a half of other snap button on each cord ends.