



LION BRAND® COTTON-EASE Crochet Rio Bikini & Cover-up



This racy cotton bikini is terrific for anyone who dares to take the plunge!

SKILL LEVEL: Experienced

SIZE

Cover-up S (M, L)

Finished chest 36 (38 1/2, 41)"

Bikini S (M, L)

Top B cup

Note Pattern is written for smallest size with changes for larger sizes in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to all sizes. For ease in working, circle all numbers pertaining to your size.

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND Cotton-Ease
3 (3, 4) balls #148 Popsicle Blue (MC)
1 ball #100 Vanilla (CC)
or colors of your choice
- LION BRAND size G-6 (4 mm) crochet hook OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- LION BRAND large-eyed, blunt needle

GAUGE

Cover-up 20 sts + 7.5 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Pattern stitch.

Bikini 17.5 sts + 9 rows = 4" (10 cm) in double crochet.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR
GAUGE.

COVER-UP

BODY

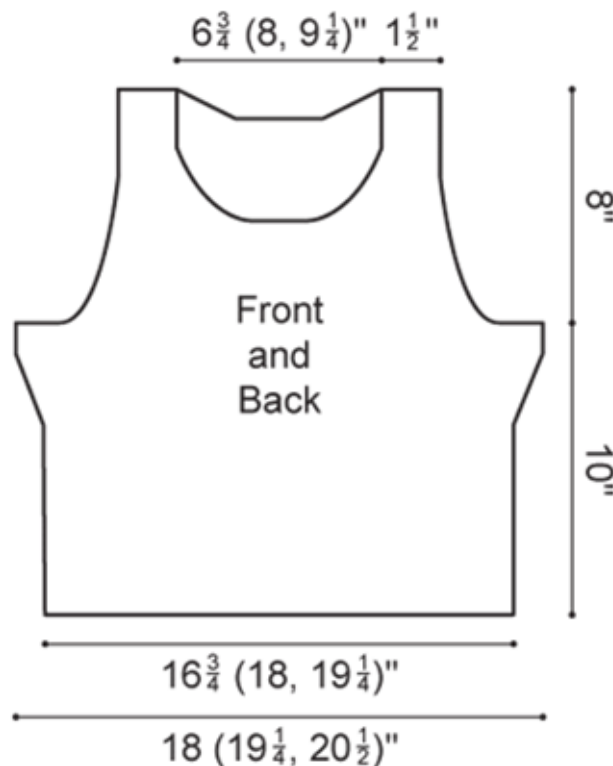
With MC, ch 168 (180, 192); join with slip st to form ring, being careful not to twist chain.

Rnd 1 Ch 8, (skip 5 ch, dc in next ch, ch 5) around, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-8 – 28 (30, 32) ch-spaces.
Turn.

Rnd 2 Ch 6, (sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 3) around, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Rnd 3 Ch 8, (dc in next dc, ch 5) around, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Rnds 4-7 Repeat Rnds 2-3 for 2 more times.



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Rnd 8 (inc rnd) Ch 6, [sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 3] 14 (15, 16) times, dc in same dc, ch 3, [sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 3] 13 (14, 15) times, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8 of Rnd 7, ch 3, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6 – 30 (32, 34) dc. Turn.

Rnds 9-15 Repeat Rnd 3, then repeat Rnds 2-3 for 3 more times.

BACK

Shape Armhole Slip st in next 3 chs of ch-space.

Row 1 (RS) Ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc] 11 (12, 13) times, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-space. Turn.

Row 2 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc (above ch-space), ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 5, dc in next dc] 11 (12, 13) times, ch 2, (dc in next dc) twice. Turn.

Row 3 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc] 9 (10, 11) times, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, (dc in next dc) twice. Turn.

Row 4 Repeat Row 2, working [] 9 (10, 11) times.

Row 5 Repeat Row 3, working [] 7 (8, 9) times.

Row 6 Repeat Row 2, working [] 7 (8, 9) times.

Row 7 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, [dc in next dc, ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3] 7 (8, 9) times, (dc in next dc) twice. Turn.

Row 8 Ch 8, skip first 2 dc, [dc in next dc, ch 5] 6 (7, 8) times, dc in last dc. Turn.

Row 9 Ch 6, [sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 3] 6 (7, 8) times, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Row 10 Ch 8, [dc in next dc, ch 5] 6 (7, 8) times, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Rows 11-12 Repeat Rows 9-10.

Row 13 Ch 5, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc] 5 (6, 7) times, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Row 14 Ch 1, sc in same st, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 2, [dc in next dc, ch 5] 5 (6, 7) times, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, ch 3, sc in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Turn.

Right Shoulder

Row 15 Ch 1, sc in same st, ch 3, sc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-space. Fasten off.

Left Shoulder

With RS facing, skip next 4 (5, 6) dc, join MC in next ch-5 space.

Row 15 Ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 2, sc in next dc, ch 3, sc in next sc. Fasten off.

FRONT

Shape Armhole With RS facing, skip 2 dc at right underarm and join MC in center ch of next ch-5 space.

Row 1 (RS) Ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc] 9 (10, 11) times, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-space. Turn.

Row 2 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc (above ch-space), ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 5, dc in next dc] 9 (10, 11) times, ch 2, (dc in next dc) twice. Turn.

Row 3 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc] 7 (8, 9) times, ch 2, dc in next ch-space, ch 2, (dc in next dc) twice. Turn.

Row 4 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, [ch 5, dc in next dc] 7 (8, 9) times, ch 2, (dc in next dc) twice. Turn.

Row 5 Ch 3, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc] 7 (8, 9) times, dc in next dc. Turn.

Row 6 Ch 8, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc, [ch 5, dc in next dc] 6 (7, 8) times. Turn.

Shape Left Neck and Shoulder

Row 7 Ch 6, (sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 3) twice, omitting last ch 3 in 2nd repeat, dc in next ch-space. Turn.

Row 8 Ch 5, skip first 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 5, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Row 9 Ch 6, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Turn.

Row 10 Ch 8, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Row 11 Ch 6, sc in ch-space, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Rows 12-14 Repeat Rows 10-11, then Row 10 again.

Row 15 Ch 1, sc in same st, ch 2, sc in ch-space, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Fasten off.

Shape Right Neck and Shoulder With RS facing, skip next 2 (3, 4) dc, join MC in next ch-5 space.

Row 7 Ch 3, (dc in next dc, ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3) twice, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Row 8 Ch 8, skip first dc, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in top of beg ch-3. Turn.

Row 9 Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next dc, ch 3, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Row 10 Ch 8, dc in top of beg ch-3. Turn.

Row 11 Ch 6, sc in ch-space, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Row 12 Ch 8, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Row 13-14 Repeat Rows 11-12.

Row 15 Ch 6, sc in ch-space, ch 2, sc in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Note Shoulders are joined at outside edges as edgings are worked.

Beg at underarm, work 2 rnds sc evenly around armholes; then work one rnd reverse sc. Repeat for neck opening.

BOTTOM EDGING

With RS facing, join MC at bottom of right side "seam" (beg of rnd).

Rnd 1 Ch 6, (sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in base of next dc, ch 3) around, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Rnd 2 Ch 8, (dc in next dc, ch 5) around, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. Turn.

Rnd 3 Ch 6, (sc in next ch-space, ch 3, dc in next dc, ch 3) around, sc in next ch-space, ch 3, join with slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Turn.

Rnd 4 Repeat Rnd 2.

Rnd 5 Ch 1, work 5 sc in each ch-space around, join with slip st in top of beg sc – 140 (150, 160) sc.

Rnd 6 Ch 1, sc in each sc around.

Rnd 7 Ch 1, reverse sc in each sc around.

Fasten off. Weave in ends.

BIKINI

BOTTOM

With MC, ch 8, dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across – 6 sts. Turn.

Work 2 (2, 3) more rows dc.

FRONT

Inc Row 1 Ch 3, dc in same st, 2 dc in next st, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next st, dc in last st – 9 sts. Turn.

Inc Row 2 Ch 3, dc in same st, 2 dc in next st, dc in each of next 5 dc, 2 dc in next st, dc in last st – 12 sts. Turn.

Inc Row 3 Ch 3, 2 dc in next st, dc to last 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in last st – 14 sts.

Repeat Inc Row 3 for 10 (11, 12) more times – 34 (36, 38) sts. Fasten off.

BACK

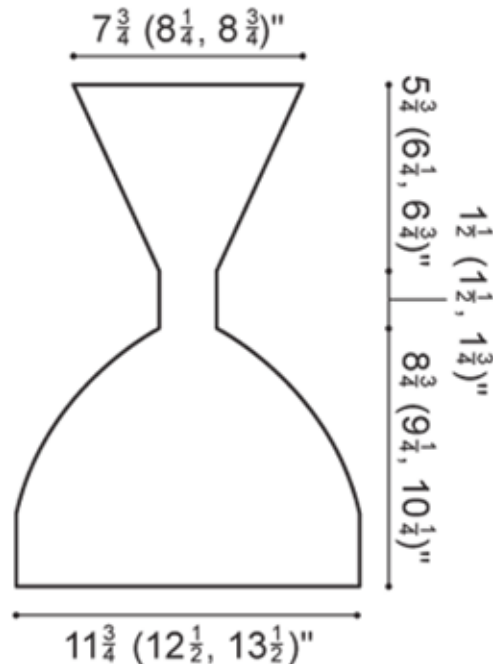
Join MC to first ch on open loops of foundation ch.

Inc Row 1 Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next st, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) twice – 9 sts. Turn.

Inc Row 2 Ch 3, dc in same st, (dc in next st, 2 dc in next st) 4 times – 14 sts. Turn.

Inc Row 3 Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next st, (dc in next st, 2 dc in next st) 6 times – 21 sts. Turn.

Inc Row 4 Ch 3, 2 dc in next st, dc to last 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in last st – 23 sts. Turn.



Repeat Inc Row 4 once more – 25 sts.

Inc Row 5 Ch 3, (2 dc in next st) twice, dc to last 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, 2 dc in last st – 29 sts. Turn.

Size S only Work Inc Rows 4-5 twice, then Inc Row 5 once, then Inc Row 4 for 3 times – 51 sts.

Size M only Work Inc Rows 4-5 twice, then Inc Row 5 twice, then Inc Row 4 for 3 times – 55 sts.

Size L only Work Inc Rows 4-5 for 3 times, then Inc Row 5 once, then Inc Row 4 for 4 times – 59 sts

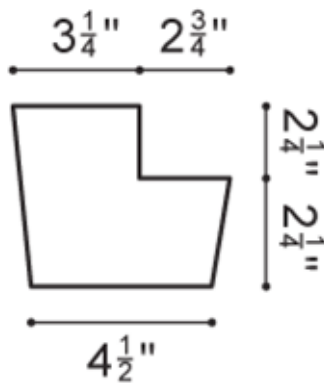
All sizes Work 6 rows even in dc. Turn.

EDGING

Work 2 sc in first st, sc in each dc across to last st, 2 sc in last st. Turn to work along side. Sc evenly along side to Front. Turn to work across Front. Work 2 sc in first st, sc in each dc across to last st, 2 sc in last st. Turn to work along other side. Sc evenly along side to Back, join with slip st in beg sc. Fasten off.

With CC, join to last sc at fastening off, work sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

With RS facing and CC, make 15" ch (or desired length), work reverse sc in each sc of side, make 15" ch, fasten off. Repeat on other side.



TOP

CUPS – Make 2

With MC, ch 22. Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across – 20 sts. Turn.

Row 1 Ch 3, dc in each st across. Turn.

Row 2 Ch 3, 2 dc in next dc, dc to last 2 sts, 2 dc in next dc, dc in last dc – 22 sts.

Row 3 Ch 1, sc in first 5 dc, hdc in next 2 dc, dc in next 7 dc, hdc in next 2 dc, sc in last 6 dc. Turn.

Rows 4-5 Repeat Rows 1-2 once more – 24 sts.

Row 6 Ch 3, dc in next 11 sts – 12 sts. Turn.

Row 7 Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in each st across – 13 sts.

Row 8 Ch 1, sc in first 5 dc, hdc in next 2 dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in last dc – 14 sts. Turn.

Rows 9-10 Ch 3, dc in each st across.

EDGING

Fold Cup so last st meets with the open end of Row 5; join with slip st.

Sc evenly across inner half of bottom edge, up side edge, down opposite side, and across outer half of bottom edge. Join with slip st to beg sc. Fasten off, leaving a 12" tail to seam opening, and seam.

Join CC at inner corner of Left Cup, sc evenly around all 3 edges, then work 1 row reverse sc across side edges only. Repeat with Right Cup, beg at outer corner. Place Cups side by side with RS facing.

TIES

With CC, make 18" ch (or desired length). Join to bottom of Right Cup; sc in each sc across; ch 0 (3, 6) between Cups; continue across bottom of Left Cup, sc in each sc across; make ch to match beg ch. Fasten off.

Join CC to top corner of Cup, make 18" ch (or desired length). Fasten off. Repeat for other Cup. With CC, make 8 tassels and attach to ends of Ties. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS:	
beg = begin(ning)	inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)
CC = contrasting color	MC = main color
ch = chain	rnd(s) = round(s)
ch-space = space previously made	RS = right side
dc = double crochet	sc = single crochet
dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)	st(s) = stitch(es)
hdc = half double crochet	WS = wrong side

Cotton-Ease (Article #700) is packaged in 3 1/2 oz (100 g)/207 yd (188 m) balls

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