

# Pearl's Cardigan

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This cardigan is named after my great-grandmother, Pearl Svenson, a gorgeous Norwegian immigrant who aspired to be a 1920s Hollywood starlet. I imagine her wearing this classic cardigan with a crisp white blouse and perhaps cinching it around her famously tiny waist with a pretty scarf threaded through the belt holes. With a slightly vintage look, this is the perfect piece to accent a modern ensemble and add that touch of feminine flair. Whether it's worn loose or cinched at the waist, the easy fit and engaging stitch pattern make it a must-have for your closet.



## YARN

DK weight (#3 Light); 1,095 (1,275, 1,465, 1,665) yd (1,002 [1,166, 1,340, 1,523] m).

**shown:** Lion Brand Yarn, Microspun (100% microfiber acrylic; 168 yd [154 m]/2.5 oz [70 g]): #102 blush, 7 (8, 9, 10) balls.

## HOOK

G/6 (4mm) or size needed to obtain gauge.

## NOTIONS

Tapestry needle.

## GAUGE

20 dc = 4" (10 cm); 10 rows in dc body patt = 4" (10 cm).

## FINISHED SIZE

Size S (M, L, XL) fits 32 (36, 40, 42)" (81.5 [91.5, 101.5, 112] cm) bust circumference. Cardigan is 26 (26½, 27½, 28)" (66 [67.5, 70, 71] cm) long. Cardigan shown is a size L.

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## note

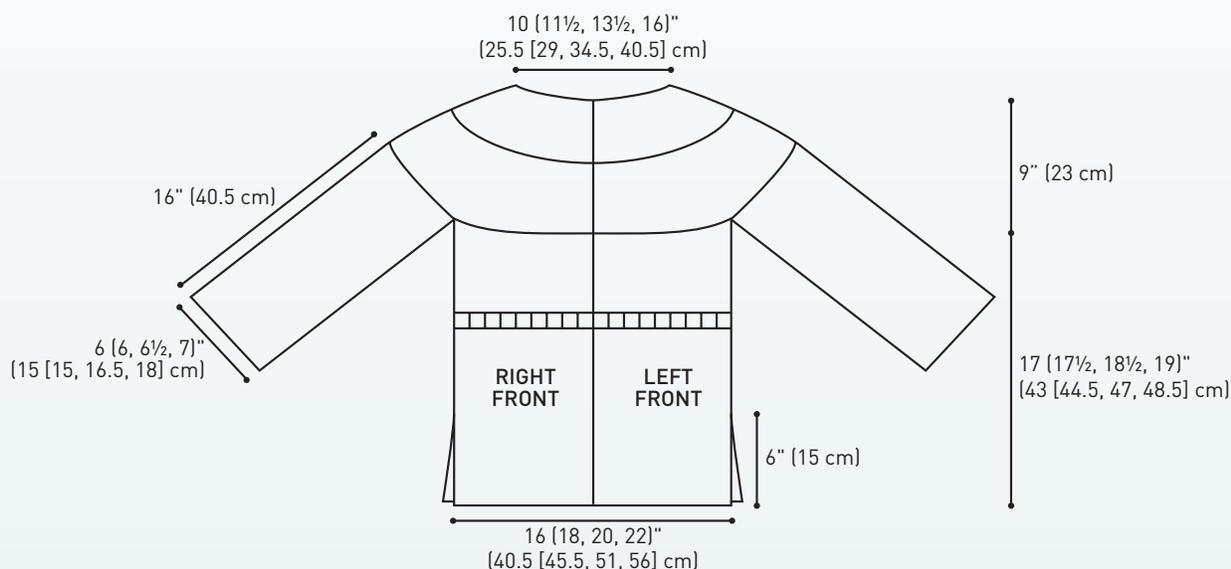
- The yarn featured here makes a fantastic transformation with steam blocking. The shine and drape are remarkably prettier after steaming.

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### Yoke

Refer to the stitch diagram at right for a reduced sample of Yoke patt.

Ch 84 (92, 104, 116).

**ROW 1:** Dc in 4th ch from hook, \*ch 3, skip next 3 ch, dc in next ch, rep from \* across, ending with 2 dc in last ch, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) ch-3 sps.

**ROW 2:** Ch 1, sc in first st, \*ch 3, work 3-dc cl in last sc made, skip next ch-3 sp, sc in next dc, rep from \* across, ending with last sc in top of ch-3 turning ch, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) cl.

**ROW 3:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, \*ch 4, skip next cl, dc in next sc, rep from \* across, ending with 2 dc in last sc, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) ch-4 sps.

**ROW 4:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, \*ch 4, work 3-tr cl in last sc made, skip next ch-4 sp, sc in next dc, rep from \* across, ending with last sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) cl.

**ROW 5:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, \*ch 5, skip next cl, dc in next sc, rep from \* across, ending with 2 dc in last sc, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) ch-5 sps.

**ROW 6:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, \*ch 5, work 3-dtr cl in last sc made, skip next ch-5, sc in next dc, rep from \* across, ending

with last sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) cl.

**ROW 7:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, \*ch 6, skip next cl, dc in next sc, rep from \* across, ending with 2 dc in last sc, turn—20 (22, 25, 28) ch-6 sps.

**ROW 8:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, \*ch 5, sc in next ch-6 sp, ch 5, sc in next dc, rep from \* across, ending with last sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—40 (42, 50, 56) ch-5 sps.

**ROW 9:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, 5 dc in each ch-5 sp across, 2 dc in last sc, turn—204 (214, 254, 284) dc.

**ROW 10:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, skip next dc, \*ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in sp before next

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DC, REP from \* across to within last 7 sts, ch 5, skip next 6 dc, sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—40 (42, 50, 56) ch-5 sps.

ROWS 11-14: Rep Rows 9-10 twice.

ROW 15: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, 5 dc in each of next 6 (7, 8, 9) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of next 6 (6, 7, 8) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of next 12 (14, 16, 18) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of next 6 (6, 7, 8) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of last 6 (7, 8, 9) ch-5 sps, 2 dc in last sc, turn—224 (234, 274, 304) dc.

ROW 16: Rep Row 10—44 (46, 54, 60) ch-5 sps.

ROW 17: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, 5 dc in each of next 7 (8, 9, 10) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of next 6 (6, 7, 8) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of next 14 (16, 18, 20) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of next 6 (6, 7, 8) ch-5 sps, 10 dc in next ch-5 sp (inc), 5 dc in each of last 7 (8, 9, 10) ch-5 sps, 2 dc in last sc, turn—244 (254, 294, 324) dc.

ROW 18: Rep Row 10—48 (50, 58, 64) ch-5 sps.

## Cardigan Body

Divide for body and sleeves.



ROW 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, [5 dc in next ch-5 sp] 7 (8, 9, 10) times, ch 11 (for underarm), skip next 10 (10, 11, 12) ch-5 sps, [5 dc in next ch-5 sp] 14 (16, 18, 20) times, ch 11 (for underarm), skip next 10 (10, 11, 12) ch-5 sps, [5 dc in next ch-5 sp] 7 (8, 9, 10) times, 2 dc in last sc, turn—124 (144, 164, 204) dc, 2 ch-11 lps.

ROW 2: Ch 1, sc in first dc, [ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in sp before next dc] 6 (7, 8, 9) times, ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in next ch, [ch 5, skip next 4 ch, sc in next ch] twice, [ch 5, skip 5 dc, sc in sp before next dc] 13 (15, 17, 19) times, ch 5, skip

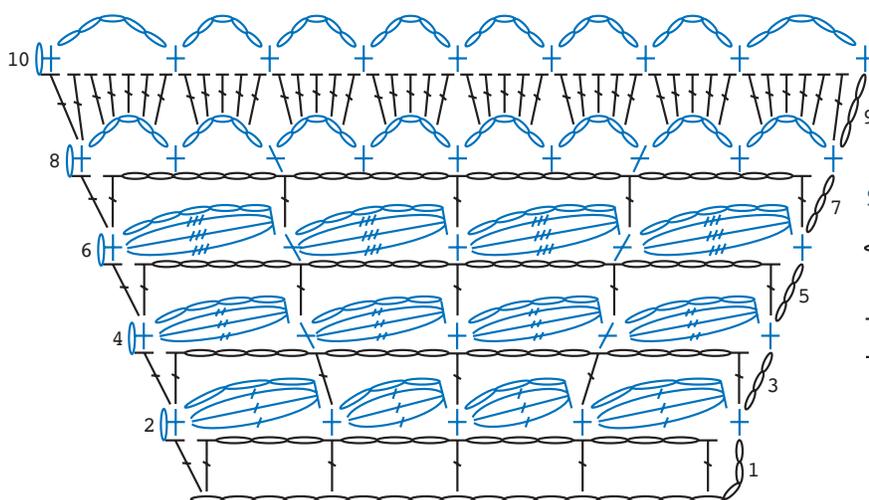
next 5 dc, sc in next ch, [ch 5, skip next 4 ch, sc in next ch] twice, [ch 5, skip 5 sts, sc in sp before next st] 6 (7, 8, 9) times, ch 5, skip next 6 dc, sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn

ROWS 3-13: Rep Rows 9-10 of Yoke 5 times, then Rep Row 9 once.

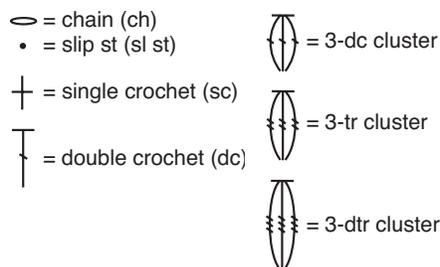
ROW 14: Ch 5, dtr in first dc, skip next dc, \*ch 5, skip next 5 dc, 2-dtr cl in sp before next dc, rep from \* across to within last 7 sts, ch 5, 2-dtr cl in top of ch-3 tch, turn.

ROWS 15-26 (28, 30, 32): Rep Rows 9-10 of Yoke 6 (7, 8, 9) times.

## stitch diagram



## stitch key



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## Left Front

Divide for fronts and back, creating slits on the sides.

**ROW 1:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, 5 dc in next 8 (9, 10, 11) ch-5 sps, 2 dc in next sc, turn, leaving rem sts unworked—44 (49, 54, 59) dc.

**ROW 2:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, skip next dc, \*ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in sp before next dc, rep from \* across to within last 7 sts, ch 5, skip next 6 dc, sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—8 (9, 10, 11) ch-5 sps.

**ROWS 3–12:** Rep Rows 9–10 of Yoke 5 times.

Fasten off.

## Back

**ROW 1:** With RS facing, join yarn in same sc holding last 2 dc on Row 1 of Left Front, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, 5 dc in next 16 (18, 20, 22) ch-5 sps, 2 dc in next sc, turn, leaving rem sts unworked—84 (94, 104, 114) dc.

**ROW 2:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, skip next dc, \*ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in sp before next dc, rep from \* across to within last 7 sts, ch 5, skip next 6 dc, sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—16 (18, 20, 22) ch-5 sps.

**ROWS 3–14:** Rep Rows 9–10 of Yoke 6 times.

Fasten off.

## Right Front

**ROW 1:** With RS facing, join yarn in same sc holding last 2 dc on Row 1 of Left Front, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in first sc, 5 dc in next 8 (9, 10, 11) ch-5 sps, 2 dc in next sc, turn, leaving rem sts unworked—44 (49, 54, 59) dc.

**ROW 2:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, skip next dc, \*ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in sp before next dc, rep from \* across to within last 7 sts, ch 5, skip next 6 dc, sc in top of ch-3 tch, turn—8 (9, 10, 11) ch-5 sps.

**ROWS 3–14:** Rep Rows 9–10 of Yoke 6 times.

Fasten off.

## First Sleeve

**ROW 1:** With RS facing, attach yarn in center ch of underarm ch-11, ch 3 (counts a dc) 5 dc in next ch-4 sp of underarm, 5 dc in each of next 10 (10, 11, 12) ch-5 sps, 5 dc in next ch-4 sp of underarm, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3, turn—61 (61, 66, 71) dc.

**ROW 2:** Ch 1, sc in first st, [ch 5, skip next 5 dc, sc in sp before next dc] 11 (11, 12, 13) times, ch 5, skip 5 dc, join with sl st in first sc, turn—12 (12, 13, 14) ch-5 sps.

**ROW 3:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), 5 dc in each ch-5 sp around, join with sl st to top of beg ch-3, turn.

**ROW 4:** Rep Row 2.

Rep Rows 3–4 until Sleeve measures 15" (38 cm) or 1" (2.5 cm) less than desired length from underarm.

**NEXT ROW:** Ch 1, sc in first sc, \*ch 5, work 3-dtr cl in last sc made, skip next ch-5 sp, sc in next sc, rep from \* around, join with sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

## Second Sleeve

Rep First Sleeve in other armhole.

## Sweater Edging

**RND 1:** With RS facing, attach yarn in first ch at beg of neck edge, ch 1, sc in first ch, \*ch 3, work 3-dc cl in last sc made, skip next 3 ch, sc in next ch\*, rep from \* to \* across neck edge, working



across Left Front edge, \*\*ch 4, work 3-tr cl in last sc made, skip next row\*\*, rep from \*\* to \*\* across, ending with sc in bottom left corner, \*\*\*ch 5, 3-dtr cl in last sc made, skip next ch-5 sp, sc in next sc, rep from \*\*\* to \*\*\* across bottom edge of Left Front, rep from \*\* to \*\* up slit, ending with sc in center st of slit, rep from \*\* to \*\* down other side of slit, rep from \*\*\* to \*\*\* across bottom edge of Back, rep from \*\* to \*\* up slit, ending with sc in center st of slit, rep from \*\* to \*\* down other side of slit, rep from \*\*\* to \*\*\* across Right Front, rep from \* to \* across Right Front edge, join with sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Wet or steam block to finished measurements. Weave in loose ends with a tapestry needle.



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