Free Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® LB Collection® Cashmere Broomstick Lace Crochet Shell

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SKILL LEVEL: Experienced

SIZE: XS, Small, Medium, Large, 1X, 2X, 3X
Finished Bust 32 (35, 38 1/2, 41 1/2, 45, 48, 51) in. (81.5 (89, 98, 105.5, 114.5, 122, 129.5) cm)
Finished Length 20 (20, 20, 21, 21, 23, 23) in. (51 (51, 51, 53.5, 53.5, 58.5, 58.5) cm)
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. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning.

CORRECTIONS: None as of Oct 16, 2010. To check for later updates, click here.

MATERIALS

- 483-134 Lion Brand LB Collection Cashmere: Terracotta
  5 5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 8 Balls
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size H-8
- Lion Brand Size 35 [19 mm] 29-inch [75 cm] Circular Knitting Needles
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)

GAUGE:

15 sts + 8 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) in Broomstick Lace pattern. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you less stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

STITCH EXPLANATION:

Fsc (foundation single crochet) Start with a slip knot, ch 2, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, draw up a lp (base ch), yo, draw through 1 lp, yo and draw through 2 lps (1 sc with base ch at bottom). Work next st under lps of the base ch. *Insert hook under 2 lps at bottom of the previous st, draw up a lp, yo and draw through 1 lp, yo and draw through 2 lps; rep from * for length of foundation.
Fsc Increase (foundation single crochet increase) Insert hook under front 2 lps of st just made, yo and draw up a lp, yo and draw through 1 lp on hook, yo and draw through 2 lps on hook, rep as for Fsc for length of increase.
Lp Increase (lp row increase)
To increase 3 lps at the beg of a Lp Row Working from left to right, sl lp from hook to circular needle (counts as first lp), insert hook in front lp of last sc of previous row, yo and draw up a lp, place lp on circular needle without twisting, (insert hook through back loop (tbl)) of next sc, yo and draw up a lp, place lp on needle, insert hook through front lp of same sc, yo and draw up a lp, place lp on needle) twice.
To increase 3 lps at the end of a Lp Row Work to last 3 sc, (insert hook tbl of next sc, yo and draw up a lp, place lp on needle, insert hook in front lp of same sc, yo and draw up a lp, place lp on needle) 3 times.
V-st (V-stitch) (Dc, ch 2, dc) in indicated st.

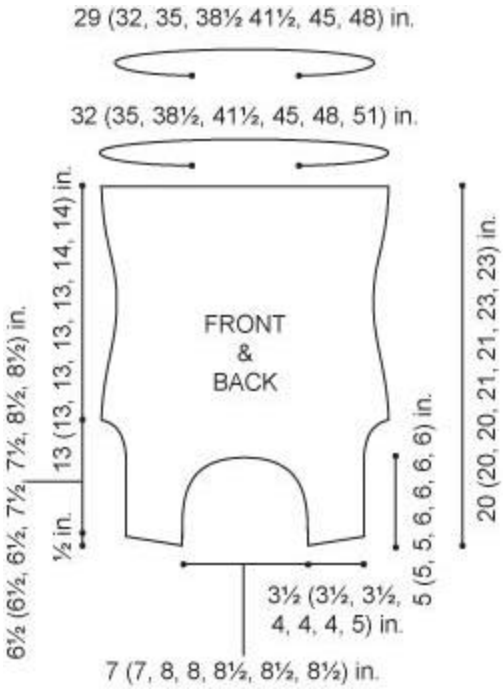
PATTERN STITCHES
Broomstick Lace worked in ROWS (multiple of 3 sts + 6, worked in rows)
Row 1 (V-st Row) (WS): Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), turn, sk first sc, dc in next sc, sk next 2 sc, *V-st in next sc, sk next 2 sc; rep from * across to last 2 sc, dc in next sc, ch 1, dc in last sc.
Row 2 (Sc Row) (RS): Ch 1, turn, sc in first dc, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in ch-2 sp of each V-st across to turning ch, 2 sc in turning ch-sp, sc in 3rd ch of turning ch.
Row 3 (Loop Pass) (RS): Do not turn, work from left to right, sl lp from hook to circular needle (counts as first lp), sk last sc of previous row, *insert hook tbl of next sc, yo and draw up a lp, sl lp to needle without twisting; rep from * across.
Row 4 (Return Pass) (RS): Do not turn, work from right to left, insert hook through first 3 lps on circular needle, hold working yarn in back, yo and draw through all 3 lps of group (1 lp on hook), ch 1, work 3 sc in same sp, *insert hook through next 3 lps on needle, yo and draw through the 3 lps of group, yo and draw through 2 rem lps on hook - 1st sc completed - work 2 more sc in same sp; rep from *across.
Rep Rows 1-4 for Broomstick Lace worked in rows.

Broomstick Lace worked in RNDS (multiple of 3 sts + 3, worked in the rnd)
Rnd 1 (V-st Rnd) (WS): Ch 3, turn, sk first 2 sc, *V-st in next sc, sk next 2 sc; rep from * around, dc in same sc as turning ch, ch 2, sl st in top of turning ch.
Rnd 2 (Sc-Rnd) (RS): Ch 1, turn, 3 sc in each ch-2 sp around, end with sl st in beg sc.
Note: On Rnd 3, 1 loop will be slipped to a st marker.
The st marker is being used as a st holder for a single st.

Rnd 3 (Loop Rnd) (RS): Do not turn, WORK FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, sl last lp from hook to circular needle (counts as first lp), adjust height of lp, then sl lp onto a split-ring marker and hold in back of work; sk last sc of previous rnd, *insert hook tbl of next sc, yo and draw up a lp, sl lp to needle without twisting; rep from * around, sl lp at back of work to end of rnd, removing marker.
This st becomes the first st of next rnd.
Rnd 4 (Return Rnd) (RS): Do not turn, WORK FROM RIGHT TO LEFT, insert hook through first 3 lps on circular needle working yarn in back, yo and draw through all 3 lps of group (1 lp on hook), ch 1, work 3 sc in same sp, *insert hook through next 3 lps on needle, slide group off needle, yo and draw through 3 lps of sp, yo and draw through 2 lps on hook to complete the first sc, work 2 more sc in same sp; rep from * around; join with sl st in first sc, sl st in next sc.
Rep Rnds 1-4 for Broomstick Lace worked in the rnd.

NOTES:

1. Shell is worked with Broomstick sts. Broomstick sts are formed by lengthening the loops using a large knitting needle, then working into the elongated loops.
2. Shell is worked from the top down, beg with shoulder straps.
3. Straps are worked back and forth, beg at shoulder and worked down towards neck. The Straps are joined at the bottom of the neck opening and the Front and Back are worked separately, to the underarms.
4. Front and Back are joined at underarms, and then the Body is worked in rnds down to the lower edge.
5. When working Rows/Rnds 3 and 4 of Broomstick Lace pattern, do not turn at beg of rows/rnds. Always work these rows/rnds with the RS facing.



LEFT BACK SHOULDER
Beg at shoulder, Fsc 12 (12, 12, 15, 15, 15, 18).
Turn Foundation so that sc edge is on top and work Row 1 across the sc edge.
Row 1 (WS): Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), sk first sc, dc in next sc, *sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc; rep from * 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) more time(s), sk next 2 sc, (hdc, ch 2, hdc) in next sc, sk next 2 sc, hdc in next sc, ch 1, sc in last sc - 4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6) ch-sps at the end of this row.
Note: Beg of Row 1 is the neck edge and the end of Row 1 is the armhole edge.
Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in each of next 2 (2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4) ch-2 sps, 2 sc in beg ch-sp, sc in 3rd ch of beg ch - 12 (12, 12, 15, 15, 15, 18) sc at the end of this row.

Sizes (L, 1X, 2X, 3X) ONLY
Rows 3 and 4: Work Rows 1 and 2 of Broomstick Lace pattern (worked in rows).

All Sizes
Beg with Row 3 (Loop Pass), work in Broomstick Lace pattern (worked in rows) for 6 rows.
Next Row (WS): Ch 4, turn, sk first sc, V-st in next sc, *sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc; rep from * 2 (2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4) more times, ch 1, dc in last sc - 6 (6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 8) ch-sps at the end of this row.
Do not cut yarn.
Remove last lp from hook and place on a split-ring marker or safety pin to hold.

LEFT FRONT SHOULDER
With WS of Front shoulder, and working across ch edge of Fsc, join yarn in first ch (at armhole edge).
Row 1 (WS): Ch 1, sc in first ch, ch 1, hdc in next ch, sk next 2 ch, (hdc, ch 2, hdc) in next ch, *sk next 2 ch, V-st in next ch; rep from * 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) more time(s), sk next 2 ch, dc in next ch, ch 1, dc in last ch - 4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6) ch-sps at the end of this row.
Row 2 (RS): Ch 1, turn, sc in first dc, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in each of next 2 (2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4) ch-2 sps, 2 sc in last ch-1 sp, sc in last sc - 12 (12, 12, 15, 15, 15, 18) sc at the end of this row.
Work next 7 (7, 7, 9, 9, 9, 9) rows same as Back Shoulder. Fasten off. Place marker (pm) in last dc for neck edge.

RIGHT BACK SHOULDER
Beg at shoulder, Fsc 12 (12, 12, 15, 15, 15, 18). Turn Fsc so that sc edge is on top and work next row across sc edge. Beg with Row 1, complete as for Left Front shoulder.

RIGHT FRONT SHOULDER
With WS of Front Shoulder facing, and working across ch edge of Fsc, join yarn in first ch (at neck edge).
Row 1 (WS): Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1 here and throughout), sk first ch, dc in next ch, *sk next 2 ch, V-st in next ch; rep from * 0 (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2) more time(s), sk next 2 ch, (hdc, ch 2, hdc) in next ch, sk next 2 ch, hdc in next ch, ch 1, sc in last ch - 4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6) ch-sps at the end of this row.
Beg with Row 2, complete as for Left Back shoulder. Do not remove last lp from hook.

FRONT
Join Front of Shoulders for Front Neck Edge
Continue with Right Front shoulders.
Row 1 (RS): Ch 1, turn, sc in first dc, *2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in each of next 4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6) ch-2 sps, 2 sc in turning ch-sp, sc in 3rd ch of turning ch*, ch 1, Fsc Increase 15 (15, 18, 18, 21, 21, 21) for neck foundation, sc in marked dc of Left Front shoulder; rep from * to * across Left Front shoulder - 51 (51, 54, 60, 63, 63, 69) sc, including Fsc Increases, at the end of this row.

Size XS ONLY
Row 2 (RS): Work Row 3 of Broomstick Lace pattern.

Sizes S (M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X) ONLY
Row 2 (RS): Do not turn, work from left to right, Lp Increase over first 3 sc, *insert hook in back lp of next sc, yo and draw up a lp, sl lp to circular needle without twisting; rep from * across to last 3 sc, Lp Increase over last 3 sc - 57 (60, 66, 69, 69, 75) lps at the end of this row.

All Sizes
Row 3 (RS): Work Row 4 of Broomstick Lace pattern - 51 (57, 60, 66, 69, 69, 75) sc in 17 (19, 20, 22, 23, 23, 25) groups of 3.
Row 4 (WS): Ch 4, turn, sk first sc, V-st in next sc, *sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc; rep from * 15 (17, 18, 20, 21, 21, 23) more times, ch 1, dc in last sc - 19 (21, 22, 24, 25, 25, 27) ch-sps at the end of this row.

Sizes XS (S, M, L, 1X) ONLY
Fasten off. Skip to section labeled BACK to continue.

Sizes 2X (3X) ONLY
Row 5: Work Row 2 of Broomstick Lace pattern.
Row 6: Do not turn, work from left to right, Lp Increase over first 3 sc, *insert hook in back lp of next sc, yo and draw up a lp, sl lp to needle without twisting; rep from * across to last 3 sc, Lp Increase over last 3 sc - 81 (87) lps at the end of this row. Fasten off, leaving lps on needle.

BACK
Join Back of Shoulders for Back Neck Edge
Beg with RS of Left Back Shoulder facing.
Row 1 (RS): Ch 1, turn, sc in first dc, *2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in each of next 4 (4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6) ch-2 sps, 2 sc in turning ch-sp, sc in 3rd ch of turning ch*, ch 1, Fsc Increase 15 (15, 18, 18, 21, 21, 21) for neck foundation, sc in marked dc of Right Back Strap; rep from * to * across Right Back Shoulder - 51 (51, 54, 60, 63, 63, 69) sc, including Fsc Increases, at the end of this row.
Finish the Back in the same way as Front. Do not fasten off.

BODY
Sizes XS (S, M, L, 1X) ONLY
Next (Join) Row (RS): Ch 1, turn, sc in first dc, *2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in each of next 17 (19, 20, 22, 23) ch-2 sps, 2 sc in turning ch-sp, sc in 3rd ch of turning ch, ch 1, Fsc Increase 3 (3, 6, 6, 9) for underarm foundation*, sc in first dc of Front; rep from * to * across Front; join with sl st in first sc of Back - 120 (132, 144, 156, 168) sc, including Fsc Increases, at the end of this row.
Note: Work now proceeds in rnds.
Beg with Rnd 3, work in Broomstick Lace pattern (worked in rnds) for 6 rnds. **Note:** You will end with a Rnd 4.

Sizes 2X (3X) ONLY
Next (Join) Row (RS): *Work Row 4 of Broomstick Lace pattern over Back, ch 1, Fsc Increase 9 for underarm foundation; rep from * across Front; join with sl st in first sc, sl st in next sc - 180 (192) sc, including Fsc Increases, at the end of this row.
Next Rnd (WS): Ch 3, turn, sk first sc, *(sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 26 (28) times, sk next sc and first sc of underarm Fsc, (V-st in next sc, sk next 2 sc) twice, V-st in next sc, sk last sc of underarm Fsc and next sc*, V-st in next sc; rep from * to *, dc in same sc as turning ch, ch 2, sl st in top of turning ch.

Beg with Rnd 2, work in Broomstick Lace pattern (worked in rnds) for 7 rnds. **Note:** You will end with a Rnd 4.

Shape Waist

Next (Decrease) Rnd (WS): Ch 3, turn, sk first sc, (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 5 (6, 7, 7, 8, 9, 9) times, *sk next 2 sc, dc in next sc (decrease made), place marker (pm) in dc just made, (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 9 (9, 10, 12, 13, 13, 15) times, sk next 2 sc, dc in next sc, pm in dc just made*, (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 9 (11, 12, 12, 13, 15, 15) times; rep from * to * once more; (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 3 (4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5) times, dc in same sc as turning ch, ch 2, sl st in top of turning ch - 36 (40, 44, 48, 52, 56, 60) ch-2 sps at the end of this rnd.

Next Rnd: Work Rnd 2 Broomstick Lace pattern, skipping the marked dc sts and removing the markers - 108 (120, 132, 144, 156, 168, 180) sc at the end of this rnd.

Beg with Rnd 3, work Broomstick Lace pattern for 6 rnds.

Note: You will end with a Rnd 4.

Next (Increase) Rnd: Ch 3, turn, sk first sc, (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 4 (5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 8) times, *sk next 2 sc, (dc, ch 2, dc, ch 2, dc) in next sc, (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 9 (9, 10, 12, 13, 13, 15) times, sk next 2 sc, (dc, ch 2, dc, ch 2, dc) in next sc*, (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 7 (9, 10, 10, 11, 13, 13) times; rep from * to * once more; (sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc) 2 (3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4) times, dc in same sc as turning ch, ch 2, sl st in top of turning ch, turn - 40 (44, 48, 52, 56, 60, 64) ch-2 sps at the end of this rnd.

Next Rnd: Work Rnd 2 of Broomstick Lace Pattern - 120 (132, 144, 156, 168, 180, 192) sc.

Beg with Rnd 3, work in Broomstick Lace Pattern for 8 rnds. **Note:** You will end with a Rnd 2.

Fasten off.

FINISHING

Neck Edging: With RS facing and working in ends of rows, join yarn with sl st in Left Shoulder Fsc row edge; ch 4, tr in same sp, sk next dc row, (sl st, ch 4, tr) in end of next sc row (tr-scallop made), tr-scallop in each sc row to Front neck (skipping the dc and lp rows), *sk next 3 (3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2) ch of Fsc, (tr-scallop in next ch, sk next 3 ch) 2 (2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4) time(s), tr-scallop in next ch, sk rem 3 (3, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2) ch*, tr-scallop in end of each sc row across Right Strap to Back neck Fsc; rep from * to * across Back neck Fsc, tr-scallop in end of each sc row to beg, sl st in end of same sc row as beg ch. Fasten off.

Armhole Edging: With RS facing, working in ends of rows, join yarn with sl st in edge of 2nd sc row below shoulder Fsc; ch 4, tr in same sp, sk next dc or lp row, (sl st, ch 4, tr) in end of next sc row (tr-scallop made), tr-scallop in each sc row to underarm Fsc (skipping the dc and lp rows), sk 3 (3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2) ch of Fsc, (tr-scallop in next ch, sk next 3 ch) 0 (0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1) time(s), (tr-scallop in next ch, sk next 2 ch) 0 (0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1) time(s), tr-scallop in end of each sc row to 1 sc row before shoulder Fsc, sk end of next (sc row, Fsc, and sc row), sl st in end of same sc row as beg ch. Fasten off.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES Click for explanation and illustration	
beg = begin(s)(ning)	ch(s) = chain(s)
ch-space = space previously made	dc = double crochet
hdc = half double crochet	lp(s) = loop(s)
Pm = place marker	rem = remain(s)(ing)
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side	sc = single crochet
sk = skip	sl = slip
sl st = slip stitch	sp(s) = space(s)
st(s) = stitch(es)	tbl = through the back loop
tr = treble (triple) crochet	WS = wrong side
yo = yarn over	

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