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#### SKILL LEVEL: Advanced Intermediate

SIZE: Small, Medium, Large, 1X, 2X

**Finished Bust** 36 (38, 40, 45, 48) in. (91.5 (96.5, 101.5, 114.5, 122) cm), closed **Finished Length** 19 1/2 (21, 22, 23, 24) in. (49.5 (53.5, 56, 58.5, 61) cm), including lower band

**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: (applied May 21, 2013)

#### CARDIGAN

**Row 3:** Ch 3, turn, dc in next 2 dc each dc to first ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, ch 2, dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to end of row - 68 (68, 68, 72, 74) dc and 4 ch-2 sps. **Front Bands** 

#### Front Bai

**Rows 2-13:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first se st, \*sk next se st, 2 sc in next se st; rep from \* to across, sc in turning ch-1.

#### MATERIALS

- 825-203 <u>Lion Brand</u> <u>Amazing Yarn: Wildflowers</u> 7 8, 9, 11, 12 Balls
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook -Size 1-9
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook -Size J-10 (6 mm)
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt <u>Needles (Set of 6)</u>



\*<u>Amazing®</u> (Article #825). 53% Wool, 47% Acrylic ; package size: 1.75oz/50.00 gr. (147yds/135m) pull skeins



18 dc + 11 rows = 6 in. (15 cm) using smaller hook. 20 sts (10 reps) + 22 rows = 6 in. (15 cm) over textured band pattern using larger hook.

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 fewer 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:

**dc2tog (dc 2 sts together)** (Yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops) twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook – 1 st decreased.

#### NOTES:

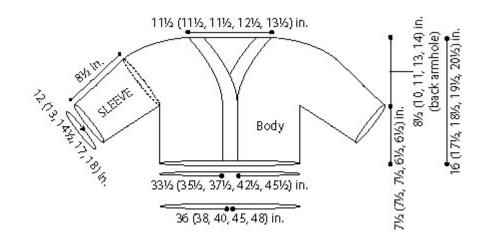
1. Cardigan is worked in one piece from neck down.

2. The sleeves are worked directly into the armholes.

3. When working the double crochet pattern, we used 2 balls of yarn. On every second row, we changed balls so that 2 rows were worked with one ball, then 2 rows were worked with the second ball alternately to distribute the yarn colors. We worked the bands using just one ball.

4. When working with 2 balls, do not cut the yarn, simply carry the strand from the unused ball up the side edge of your work.

5. To change balls of yarn, work last st of old ball to last yarn over. Yarn over with the strand from the new ball and draw through all loops on hook to complete the stitch, then continue with the new ball.



## CARDIGAN

The larger hook is used for the foundation chain to create a stretchy neck.

With larger hook, ch 60 (60, 60, 64, 66).

Change to smaller hook.

**Row 1 (RS):** Dc in 4th ch from hook (beginning ch counts as first dc), ch 2, sk next ch, dc in next 8 ch, ch 2, sk next ch, dc in next 34 (34, 34, 38, 40) ch, ch 2, sk next ch, dc in next 8 ch, ch 2, sk next ch, dc in last 2 ch - 54 (54, 54, 58, 60) dc and 4 ch-2 sps at the end of this row.

**Row 2:** Ch 3 (counts as dc in this row and in all following rows), turn, dc in next dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp; rep from \* 2 more times, dc in each dc to end of row - 62 (62, 62, 66, 68) dc and 4 ch-2 sps.

**Row 3:** Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc to first ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, ch 2, dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to end of row - 68 (68, 68, 72, 74) dc and 4 ch-2 sps.

**Note:** At this point, you will have 5 sections of dc sts separated by ch-2 sps. The first and last sections are 4 dc each and are the fronts. The 2nd and 4th sections are 12 dc each for the sleeves. The remaining section (the middle section) is 36 (36, 36, 40, 42) dc for the back.

**Row 4:** Ch 3, turn, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp; rep from \* 3 more times, dc in each dc to end of row - 76 (76, 76, 80, 82) dc and 4 ch-2 sps.

**Rows 5-14 (16, 18, 22, 24):** Rep last 2 rows 5 (6, 7, 9, 10) more times - 146 (160, 174, 206, 222) dc and 4 ch-2 sps.

**Note:** The number of sts in each section should now be: 15 (17, 19, 23, 25) dc for each front; 34 (38, 42, 50, 54) dc for each sleeve; 48 (50, 52, 60, 64) dc for the back.

#### Fasten off. Shape Back

Note: To provide a better fit, two rows are worked across the back only of the Cardigan.

**Back Row 1 (RS):** With RS facing and smaller hook, sk first 32 (36, 40, 48, 52) dc (all of the left front and the first 17 (19, 21, 25, 27) dc of left sleeve), join yarn with sl st in next dc, sl st in next dc, sc in next 2 dc, hdc in next 2 dc, dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, dc in each dc across back to next ch-2 sp, ch 2, dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 11 (13, 15, 19, 21) dc of 2nd sleeve, hdc in next 2 dc, sc in next 2 dc, sl st in next 2 dc; leave remaining sts unworked.

**Back Row 2:**Turn, sl st across first 7 sts, sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp; rep from \* once more, dc in next 6 (8, 10, 14, 16) dc, hdc in next 2 dc, sc in next 2 dc, sl st in next 2 dc; leave remaining sts unworked. Fasten off.

## Body

Row 1 (RS): With RS facing and smaller hook, join yarn with sl st in first st of left front, ch 3, dc in each dc to next

ch-2 sp, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 6 for underarm, sk the sleeve sts, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc across back to next ch-2 sp, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 6 for underarm, sk the sleeve sts, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc to end of row - 88 (94, 100, 116, 124) dc and 2 ch-6 sps at the end of this row.

**Row 2:** Ch 3, turn, \*dc in each dc to next underarm ch-6 sp, dc in next 2 ch, ch 2, sk next 2 ch, dc in next 2 ch; rep from \* once more, then dc in each dc to end of row - 96 (102, 108, 124, 132) dc and 2 ch-2 sps.

**Row 3:** Ch 3, turn, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp; rep from \* once more, then dc in each dc to end of row.

**Row 4:** Ch 3, turn, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp; rep from \* once more, then dc in each dc to end of row - 100 (106, 112, 128, 136) dc and 2 ch-2 sps.

**Rows 5-7:** Ch 3, turn, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp; rep from \* once more, then dc in each dc to end of row.

Row 8: Rep Row 4.

Rows 9-12: Rep Rows 5-8 - 108 (114, 120, 136, 144) dc and 2 ch-2 sps at the end of Row 12.

## Sizes S (M, L) ONLY

**Note:** The following 2 rows are worked only for the smaller sizes so that Cardigan is the correct length for all sizes. **Rows 13 and 14:**Ch 3, turn, \*dc in each dc to next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp; rep from \* once more, dc in each dc to end of row.

## ALL SIZES

## Lower Band

Change to larger hook.

**Row 1 (RS):** Ch 1, turn, sc in first dc, sk next dc, \*2 sc in next dc, sk next dc; rep from \* to next ch-2 sp, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, \*\*2 sc in next dc, sk next dc; rep from \*\* to next ch-2 sp, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sk next dc, \*\*\*2 sc in next dc, sk next dc; rep from \*\*\* to last st, sc in last st - 110 (112, 118, 134, 142) sc at the end of this row. **Rows 2-13:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, \*sk next sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* to last sc, sk last sc, sc in turning ch-1.

Do not fasten off.

#### Front Bands

**Note:** To stabilize the edges of the Cardigan, do not work the sl sts of Row 1 too close to the Cardigan edge. Instead, work about one st inside the Cardigan edge.

**Row 1 (RS):** Do not turn. Continuing with RS facing, work sl sts evenly spaced along front edge to first ch-2 sp at neck, work 2 sc in each ch-2 sp and sc in each sp between dc across neck, ending with 2 sc in last ch-2 sp, then work sl sts evenly spaced along opposite front edge.

**Rows 2-13:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, \*sk next st, 2 sc in next st; rep from \*, end with sc in turning ch-1. Fasten off.

## SLEEVES

**Note:** Sts for each sleeve are worked around armholes, then sleeves are worked in joined rnds, turning at the end of each rnd.

With RS facing and smaller hook, join yarn with sl st at center of one underarm.

**Rnd 1 (RS):** Ch 3 (beg ch counts as dc in this rnd and in all following rnds), work 4 dc evenly spaced across underarm to skipped sleeve sts, dc in each skipped sleeve st, then work 5 dc evenly spaced across underarm to beg ch-3; join with sl st in top of beg ch-3 - 46 (50, 54, 62, 66) dc at the end of this rnd.

Rnd 2 (WS): Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc around; join with sl st in top of turning ch.

Rnd 3 (Decrease): Ch 3, turn, dc2tog, dc in each dc around to last 3 dc, dc2tog, dc in last dc; join with sl st in top of turning ch - 44 (48, 52, 60, 64) dc.

Rnds 4 and 5: Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc around; join with sl st in top of turning ch.

Rnds 6-9: Rep Rnds 3-5, then rep Rnd 3 once more - 40 (44, 48, 56, 60) dc at the end of Rnd 9.

## Sleeve Edging

Note: Edging is worked back and forth in rows.

Change to larger hook.

**Row 1 (RS):** Ch 1, do not turn, sc in first dc, \*sk next dc, 2 sc in next dc; rep from \* to last dc, sc in last dc; do not join.

**Rows 2-13:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, \*sk next sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* to last sc, sk last sc, sc in beg ch-1. Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail. With yarn tail, sew ends of edging together. Rep on opposite side for second sleeve.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES Click for explanation and illustration	
<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>ch(s) = chain(s)</u>
ch-space = space previously made	<u>dc</u> = double crochet
hdc = half double crochet	rep = repeat(s)(ing)
rnd(s) = round(s)	RS = right side
<u>sc = single crochet</u>	<u>sk = skip</u>
sl st = slip stitch	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
WS = wrong side	

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