Free Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice®
Filet Mesh Top
Pattern Number: L40435

Crochet this top in your favorite color of Vanna's Choice®.*Designed by Mari Lynn Patrick.*

SKILL LEVEL: Easy + (Level 3)

SIZE: Small, Medium, Large, 1X, 2X, 3X

Finished Bust About 40 (42, 44, 47, 49, 51) in. (101.5 (106.5, 112, 119.5, 124.5, 129.5) cm)
Finished Length About 21 1/2 (22 1/2, 23 1/2, 25, 26, 27) in. (54.5 (57, 59.5, 63.5, 66, 68.5) cm), not including neckband and lower trim

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 Jul 15, 2016. To check for later updates, click here.

MATERIALS

- 860-123 Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Yarn: Beige
  4 4, 5, 5, 6, 6 Balls
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size I-9
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size J-10 (6 mm)
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)

*Vanna's Choice® (Article #860). 100% Premium Acrylic
400, 401, 403: 92% Acrylic, 8% Rayon
402: 96% Acrylic, 4% Rayon; package size: Solids: 3.5 oz (100 g), 170 yards (156 m)
Prints, Tweeds, & Heathers: 3 ozs (85 g) , 145 yards (133 meters)
Twists: 2.5 oz (70 g), 121 yards (111 meters)*

GAUGE:

17 (ch 1, dc) mesh + 17 rnds = about 9 in. (23 cm) with larger hook.

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. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

Making a Gauge Swatch

STITCH EXPLANATION:

dc3tog (dc 3 sts together) (Yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops) 3 times, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook – 2 sts decreased.
mesh-dec (mesh decrease worked over a (dc, ch1, dc) mesh) Yarn over, draw up a loop in next dc, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops rem on hook), yarn over, draw up a loop in next ch-1 sp, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (3 loops rem on hook), yarn over, draw up a loop in next dc, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook – 1 mesh decreased.

NOTES:

1. Top is worked in 2 pieces: Front and Back. Each piece is worked in joined rnds.
2. Sleeves are worked, back and forth in rows, directly onto the sides of the Front and Back.

BACK
With larger hook, ch 5; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.
Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in ring, (ch 2, 3 dc in ring) 3 times, ch 2; join with sl st in top of beg ch – 12 dc (four 3-dc groups) and 4 ch-2 sps.
Rnd 2: Sl st in each st to first ch-2 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in ch-2 sp (first corner made), *ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp (corner made); rep from * twice more, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk last st; join with sl st in top of beg ch – 28 dc (eight 3-dc groups and 1 dc across each of 4 side edges), 8 ch-1 sps (2 ch-1 sps across each of 4 sides), and 4 corner ch-2 sps.
Rnd 3: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1 in this rnd and all following rnds), sk next st, dc in next st, *(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) twice, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st; rep from * twice more, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch

– 36 dc, 16 ch-1 sps (4 ch-1 sps across each of 4 sides), and 4 corner ch-2 sps.

Rnd 4: Ch 4, sk first ch-1 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, *(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st) 4 times, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st; rep from * twice more, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st) twice, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch – 44 dc, 24 ch-1 sps (6 ch-1 sps across each of 4 sides), and 4 corner ch-2 sps.

Rnd 5: Ch 4, sk first ch-1 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, *(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st) to 2 sts before next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st; rep from * twice more, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st) to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch – 52 dc, 32 ch-1 sps (8 ch-1 sps across each of 4 sides), and 4 corner ch-2 sps.

Rnds 6-18 (19, 20, 21, 22, 23): Ch 4, sk first ch-1 sp, dc in next st, *(ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st) to 2 sts before next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st; rep from * 3 more times, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st) to last ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk last ch-1 sp; join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch – 156 (164, 172, 180, 188, 196) dc, 136 (144, 152, 160, 168, 176) ch-1 sps (34 (36, 38, 40, 42, 44) ch-1 sps across each of 4 sides), and 4 corner ch-2 sps.

Do not fasten off.

Place a marker in the dc directly across, on opposite side edge, from the beg ch of last rnd worked. **Note:** There should be 16 (17, 18, 19, 20, 21) ch-1 sps between the beg of the last rnd and the next corner. There should be the same number of ch-1 sps between the marker just placed on the opposite side and the previous corner.

First Sleeve
Row 1 (RS): Ch 4, sk first ch-1 sp, mesh-dec, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st; rep from * to ch-1 sp before next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc3tog, ch 1, dc in corner ch-2 sp; leave rem sts unworked – 17 (18, 19, 20, 21, 22) dc and 16 (17, 18, 19, 20, 21) ch-1 sps.

Rows 2-4: Ch 4, turn, sk next ch-1 sp, mesh-dec, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st; rep from * to 2 ch-1 sps before turning ch-sp, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, mesh-dec, ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch – 11 (12, 13, 14, 15, 16) dc and 10 (11, 12, 13, 14, 15) ch-1 sps at the end of Row 4.
Fasten off.

Second Sleeve
From WS, join yarn with sl st in marked dc (opposite beg of first sleeve). Remove marker.
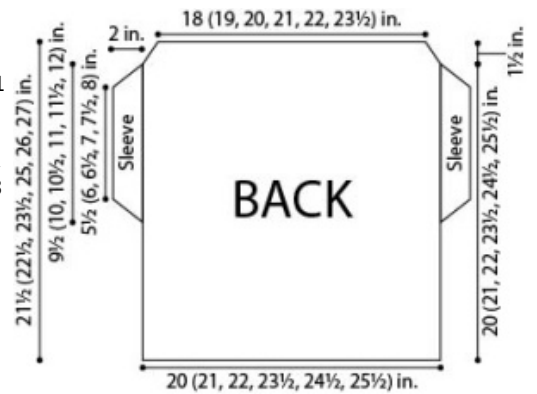**Rows 1-4:** Work same as Rows 1-4 of First Sleeve.
Fasten off.

Sloped Back Shoulders
From RS, join yarn with sl st in corner ch-2 sp to work across top edge.
Row 1 (RS): Ch 4, sk next 2 sts, mesh-dec, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st; rep from * to 2 ch-1 sps before next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, mesh-dec, ch 1, sk next 2 sts, dc in corner ch-2 sp – 35 (37, 39, 41, 43, 45) dc and 34 (36, 38, 40, 42, 44) ch-1 sps.
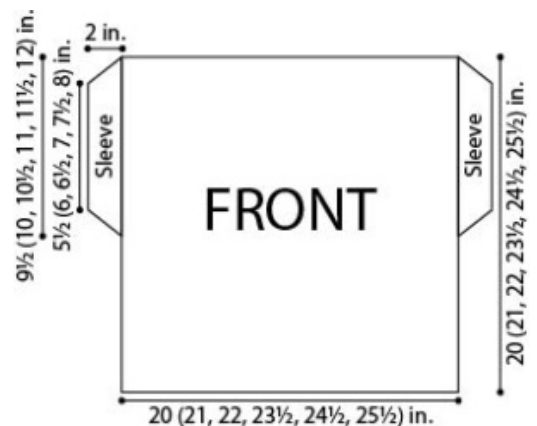
Rows 2 and 3: Ch 4, turn, sk next ch-1 sp, mesh-dec, *ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st; rep from * to 2 ch-1 sps before turning ch-sp, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, mesh-dec, ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch – 31 (33, 35, 37, 39, 41) dc and 30 (32, 34, 36, 38, 40) ch-1 sps at the end of Row 3.
Fasten off.

FRONT
Work same as Back to sloped shoulder. Do not work sloped shoulder.

FINISHING
From RS, sew shoulder seams. **Note:** The sloped shoulders on the Back will roll shoulder seam slightly to the front.
Sew side and sleeve seams.
Sleeve Edging
From RS with smaller hook, join yarn with sl st in sleeve seam at underarm.
Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 3, 2 dc in each ch-1 sp around; join with sl st in top of beg ch.

Rnd 2: Ch 2, turn, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in top of beg ch.
Fasten off. Rep around opposite sleeve.
Lower Edging
From RS with smaller hook, join yarn with sl st in side seam.
Note: Depending on the size you are making, you may or may not work the instructions within the asterisks (*) completely when working the last rep. Simply stop working the instructions in the rep when you reach the end of the rnd.
Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 3, *2 dc in each of next 2 ch-1 sps, dc in next ch-1 sp; rep from * around; join with sl st in top of beg ch.
Rnd 2: Ch 2, turn, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in top of beg ch.
Fasten off.
Neckband
From RS with smaller hook, join yarn with sl st in first ch-1 sp of neck edge following shoulder seam to work across back neck edge.
Note: In Rnd 1, depending on the size you are making, you may or may not work the instructions within the asterisks (*) completely when working the last rep. Simply stop working instructions in a rep when you reach the last mesh of each neck edge.
Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 3, *2 dc in each of next 2 ch-1 sps, dc in next ch-1 sp; rep from * to dc before last ch-1 sp of back neck edge, mesh-dec; working across front neck edge, (draw up a loop in first dc, following ch-1 sp and next dc), yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook, **2 sc in each of next 2 ch-1 sps, sc in next ch-1 sp; rep from ** to dc before last ch-1 sp, (draw up a loop in next dc, following ch-1 sp, and last dc), yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook; join with sl st in top of beg ch.
Rnd 2 (WS): Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across front neck, hdc in each st across back neck; join with sl st in first sc.
Fasten off. Mark the center 12 in. (30.5 cm) of back neck edge. From WS, sew back and front neckband together leaving the center 12 in. (30.5 cm) unsewn for neck. Remove markers.
Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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beg = begin(s)(ning)	ch(s) = chain(s)
ch-space = space previously made	dc = double crochet
hdc = half double crochet	rem = remain(s)(ing)
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side	sc = single crochet
sk = skip	sl st = slip stitch
sp(s) = space(s)	st(s) = stitch(es)
WS = wrong side	

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