



Free Crochet Pattern
Lion Brand® 24/7 Cotton
Venice Beach Top
Pattern Number: L60147



SKILL LEVEL – Easy+

SIZES

XS/S (M/L, 1X/2X)

Finished Bust About 38 (46, 54) in. (96.5 (117, 137) cm)

Finished Length About 28 1/2 (29 1/4, 30) in. (72.5 (74.5, 76) cm), not including fringes

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.

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand® 24/7 Cotton (Art. #761)
 - 100 White 3 (4, 5) balls (A)
 - 153 Black 1 (2, 2) ball(s) (B)
 - 110 Navy 2 (3, 3) balls (C)
 - or colors of your choice
- Lion Brand® crochet hook size E-4 (3.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



GAUGE

16 sts + 7 1/2 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in Overlapping Cluster pattern.

Note: Each ov-CI and ch-1 sp count as 1 st.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

hdc2tog (hdc 2 sts together) (Yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop) twice, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook – 1 st decreased.

ov-CI-2 (overlapping cluster worked over 2 sts) Yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops (2 loops rem on hook), yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

ov-CI-3 (overlapping cluster worked over 3 sts) Yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, sk next st, yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

ov-CI-4 (overlapping cluster worked over 4 sts) Yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, sk next 2 sts, yarn over, insert hook in next st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

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sc3tog (sc 3 sts together) (Insert hook in next st and draw up a loop) 3 times, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook – 2 sts decreased.

PATTERN STITCH

Overlapping Cluster Pattern (worked over even number of foundation chains)

Note: When working into the *same* st or sp, work into the same stitch or space as the last stitch or last part of the last stitch. When working into the last ov-Cl in a row, insert hook in the top of the beg-ch.

Row 1 (RS): Hdc in 3rd ch from hook (2 skipped ch count as first hdc) and in each ch across.

Row 2: Ch 2, turn, sk first st, dc in next st (beg ch-2 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * to last st, ch 1, ov-Cl-2.

Row 3: Ch 2, turn, sk first st, dc in next ch-1 sp (beg ch-2 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * to last st, ch 1, ov-Cl-2.

Row 4: Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), turn, sk first st, hdc in each st and ch-1 sp across.

Rep Rows 2-4 for Overlapping Cluster pattern.

NOTES

1. Top is made from 4 pieces: Back, Front, and 2 Sleeves.
2. Raglan edges of pieces are crocheted together.
3. To change yarn color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Fasten off old color.
4. For those who find a visual helpful, we've included a stitch diagram.

BACK

With A, ch 76 (92, 108).

Rows 1-35: Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in Overlapping Cluster pattern for 35 rows changing color as in following color sequence: Work first 2 rows with A, 3 rows with B, 9 rows with C, 3 rows with B, 3 rows with C, 3 rows with A, 3 rows with C, and 9 rows with A – you will have 38 (46, 54) ov-Cl and 37 (45, 53) ch-1 sps at the end of Row 35.

Shape Raglan Armholes

Work with A only to end of piece.

Row 36 (WS): Turn, sl st in first 6 (8, 10) sts, ch 2, dc in next ch-1 sp (beg ch-2 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * to last 6 (8, 10) sts; leave rem sts unworked – 32 (38, 44) ov-Cl and 31 (37, 43) ch-1 sps.

Row 37: Ch 3 (counts as st), turn, sk first st, hdc2tog, hdc in each st and ch-1 sp to last 3 sts, hd2tog, hdc in top of beg ch – 61 (73, 85) hdc. **Note:** A ch-3 beg ch is used, instead of the more familiar ch-2, to make sure the sloped edge is not too tight.

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Row 38: Ch 3, turn, sk first 2 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * across – 30 (36, 42) ov-Cl and 29 (35, 41) ch-1 sps.

Row 39: Ch 3, turn, sk first 3 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * to last 3 sts, ov-Cl-4 – 28 (34, 40) ov-Cl and 27 (33, 39) ch-1 sps.

Rep Rows 37-39 until there are only 14 (17, 20) ov-Cl and 13 (16, 19) ch-1 sps rem. **Note:** The last row worked depends on the size you are making.

Fasten off.

FRONT

Work same as Back through Row 37 – you will have 61 (73, 85) hdc in Row 37. Work with A only to end of piece.

Right Front

Row 38 (WS): Ch 3, turn, sk first 2 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), (ch 1, ov-Cl-3) 14 (17, 20) times; leave rem sts unworked for left front – 15 (18, 21) ov-Cl and 14 (17, 20) ch-1 sps.

Row 39: Ch 3, turn, sk first 3 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * to last 3 sts, ov-Cl-4 – 13 (16, 19) ov-Cl and 12 (15, 18) ch-1 sps.

Row 40: Ch 3 (counts as st), turn, sk first st, hdc2tog, hdc in each st and ch-1 sp to last 3 sts, hd2tog, hdc in top of beg ch – 23 (29, 35) sts.

Row 41: Ch 3, turn, sk first 2 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * across – 11 (14, 17) ov-Cl and 10 (13, 16) ch-1 sps.

Rep Rows 39-41 until only 5 sts rem.

Next Row: Ch 3, turn, sk first 3 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as ov-Cl), ch 1, hdc in top of beg ch – 1 ov-Cl, 1 ch-1 sp, and 1 hdc.

Next Row: Ch 3 (counts as a st), turn, sk first st, hdc2tog, hdc in top of beg ch – 3 sts.

Next Row: Ch 3, turn, sk first st, hdc2tog.

Fasten off.

Left Front

Row 38 (WS): From WS, draw up a loop of A in same st of Row 37 as last st of Row 38 of right front, ch 3, sk next st, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-Cl), *ch 1, ov-Cl-3; rep from * to end of row – 15 (18, 21) ov-Cl and 14 (17, 20) ch-1 sps.

Work same as right front until only 5 sts rem.

Next Row: Ch 3 (counts as hdc, ch 1), turn, sk first st, ov-Cl-4 – 1 ov-Cl, 1 ch-1 sp, and 1 hdc.

Next Row: Ch 2 (counts as hdc), turn, sk first st, yarn over, insert hook in beg ch-sp and draw up a loop, yarn over, insert hook in 2nd ch of beg ch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all loops on hook, hdc again in 2nd ch of beg ch – 3 sts.

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Next Row: Ch 3, turn, sk first st, hdc2tog.
Fasten off.

SLEEVES (make 2)

With A, ch 64 (72, 80).

Rows 1-5: Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in Overlapping Cluster pattern for 35 rows changing color as in following color sequence: Work first 2 rows with A, and last 3 rows with C – you will have 32 (36, 40) ov-CI and 31 (35, 39) ch-1 sps at the end of Row 5.

Fasten off.

Shape Raglan Edges

Row 6 (WS): From WS, sk first 6 (8, 10) sts, draw up a loop of A in next st, ch 2, dc in next ch-1 sp (beg ch-2 and following dc count as first ov-CI), *ch 1, ov-CI-3; rep from * to last 6 (8, 10) sts; leave rem sts unworked – 26 (28, 30) ov-CI and 25 (27, 29) ch-1 sps.

Work with A only to end of piece.

Row 7: Ch 3 (counts as st), turn, sk first st, hdc2tog, hdc in each st and ch-1 sp to last 3 sts, hd2tog, hdc in top of beg ch – 49 (53, 57) hdc.

Row 8: Ch 3, turn, sk first 2 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-CI), *ch 1, ov-CI-3; rep from * across – 24 (26, 28) ov-CI and 23 (25, 27) ch-1 sps.

Row 9: Ch 3, turn, sk first 3 sts, dc in next st (beg ch-3 and following dc count as first ov-CI), *ch 1, ov-CI-3; rep from * to last 3 sts, ov-CI-4 – 22 (24, 26) ov-CI and 21 (23, 25) ch-1 sps.

Rep Rows 7-9 until only 15 (13, 11) sts rem.

Fasten off.

FINISHING

Join Raglans

From RS, join C with sl st in first st at beg of left front raglan shaping (underarm), ch 2, sl st in first st at beg of raglan shaping of one Sleeve, working into ch-1 sps or ends of rows along raglan edges, ch 2, sl st in next ch-sp or end of row of left front, ch 2, sl st in next ch-sp or end of row of Sleeve, ch 2, sl st in *same* ch-sp or end of row of left front, ch 2, sl st in *same* ch-sp or end of row of Sleeve, *ch 2, sl st in next ch-sp or end of row of left front, ch 2, sl st in next ch-sp or end of row of Sleeve, ch 2, sl st in *same* ch-sp or end of row of left front, ch 2, sl st in *same* ch-sp or end of row of Sleeve; rep from * to end of raglan edges at neck.

Fasten off.

Beg at neck edge instead of underarm, rep to join raglan edge of same Sleeve to raglan edge of Back.

Rep to join raglan edges of second Sleeve to raglan edges of Right Front and Back.

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Neck Trim

From RS, draw up a loop of C anywhere in raglan seam to beg working across back neck edge.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, hdc in same sp, 2 hdc in each ch-sp across back neck edge and top of Sleeve, 2 hdc in end of each row down front neck edge, hdc at center front, 2 hdc in end of each row up other front neck edge, 2 hdc in each ch-sp across top of Sleeve; join with sl st in top of beg ch.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, do NOT turn, sc in each hdc to 1 st before center front hdc, sc3tog, sc in each hdc to end of rnd; join with sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Sew Sleeve and side seams, leaving about 5 in. (12.5 cm) open for side slits.

Lower Edge Fringes

Cut strands of B and C about 10 in. (25.5 cm) long. For each fringe, hold 2 strands of B and 1 strand of C together and fold in half. Use crochet hook to draw fold through any space between hdcs on lower edge of piece, forming a loop. Pull ends of fringe through this loop. Pull to tighten. Make fringe around lower edge in every 4th space between hdcs.

Sleeve Fringes

Cut strands of A, B and C about 4 in. (10 cm) long. For each fringe, hold 1 strand each of A, B, and C together and fold in half. Use crochet hook to draw fold through any space between hdcs on sleeve edge, forming a loop. Pull ends of fringe through this loop. Pull to tighten. Make fringe around edge of sleeve just as you did for lower edge.

Trim fringe evenly.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

ch = chain

ch-sp(s) = space(s) previously made

dc = double crochet

hdc(s) = half double crochet(s)

rem = remain(ing)(s)

rep(s) = repeat

RS = right side

sk = skip

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

WS = wrong side

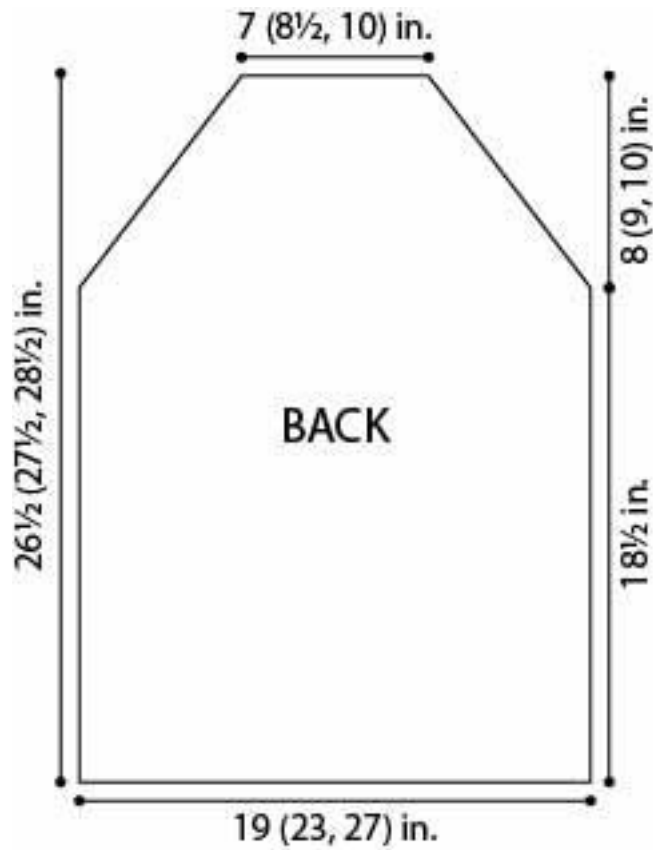
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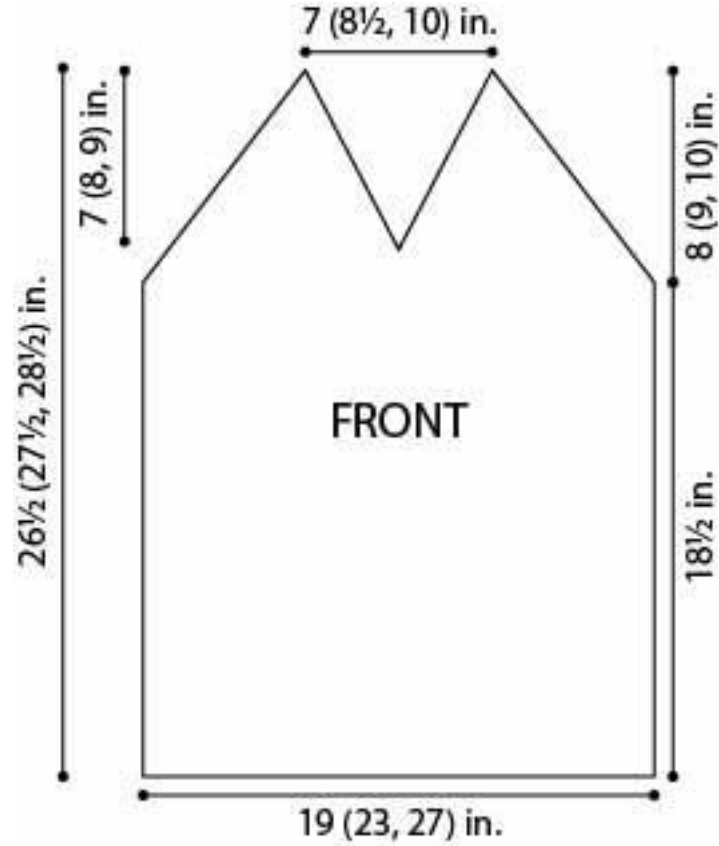
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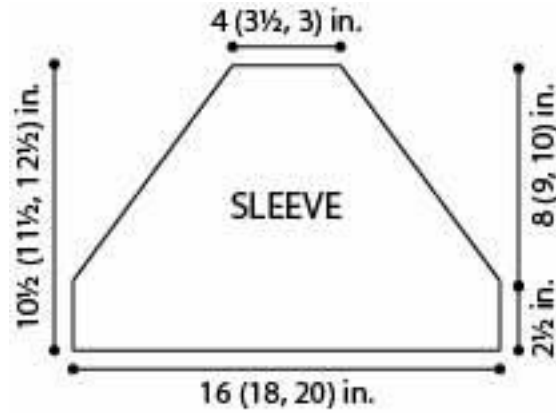
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