

# Free Crochet Pattern Lion Brand® 24/7 Cotton® Counterpoint Top Pattern Number: L70351

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## SKILL LEVEL – Intermediate

# <u>SIZES</u>

S (M, L, 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 edging

**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)
  - 133 Tangerine 4 (5, 5, 6, 6, 7) balls
- Lion Brand® crochet hook size G-6 (4.25 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle

#### **GAUGE**

19 (ch 1, dc) mesh + 19 rnds = about 9 in. (23 cm). BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## STITCH EXPLANATIONS



**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, ch 1, 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 (3 loops rem on hook), yarn over and draw through 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

Ch 5; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 3 (counts as first dc in this rnd and all following rnds), 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:** SI st in each st to first ch-2 sp, (sI st, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in ch-2 sp For thousands of free patterns, visit our website www.LionBrand.com

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(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 \* 2 more times, 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 (two 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) 2 times, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st; rep from \* 2 more times, (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 st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, 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 \* 2 more times, (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 st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next of 1 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next of 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 \* 2 more times, (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 st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (ch 1, sk next st, 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 6-20 (21, 22, 24, 25, 26):** 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 – 172 (180, 188, 204, 212, 220) dc, 152 (160, 168, 184, 192, 200) ch-1 sps (38 (40, 42, 46, 48, 50) 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 18 (19, 20, 22, 23, 24) 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 and the next 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 1 ch-1 sp before next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc3tog, ch 1, dc in corner ch-3 sp; leave rem sts unworked – 19 (20, 21, 23, 24, 25) dc and 18 (19, 20, 22, 23, 24) ch-1 sps.

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**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 - 13 (14, 15, 17, 18, 19) dc and 12 (13, 14, 16, 17, 18) ch-1 sps at the end of Row 4. Fasten off.

#### Second Sleeve

From WS, join yarn with a 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 a 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 - 39 (41, 43, 47, 49, 51) dc and 38 (40, 42, 46, 48, 50) 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 - 35 (37, 39, 43, 45, 47) dc and 34 (36, 38, 42, 44, 46) 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**

**Note:** Refer to the schematics before sewing, and mark the center 12 in. (30.5 cm) of Front and Back for neck. The sloped shoulders on the Back will roll shoulder seam slightly to the front.

Sew shoulders from outside edge of sleeves to neck. Sew side and sleeve seams.

#### Sleeve Edging

From RS, join yarn with a sl st on edge of sleeve at underarm seam.

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 3, dc evenly spaced around sleeve; 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.

## Lower Edging

From RS, join yarn with a sl st on lower edge of Top at either side seam. Rep Rnds 1 and 2 of edging as for sleeve.

## Neckband

From RS, join yarn with a sl st at shoulder seam so that you can work across back neck edge.

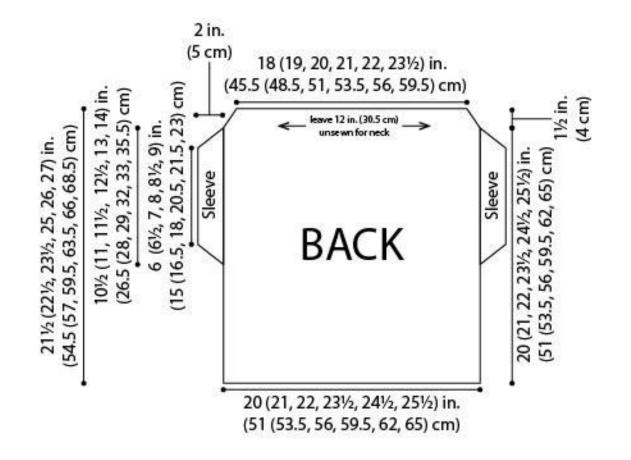
Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 3, dc evenly spaced across back neck to next shoulder seam, then sc evenly spaced across front neck, join with sl st in top of beg ch.
Rnd 2 (WS): Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across front neck, hdc in each st across back neck; join with sl st in first sc.
Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

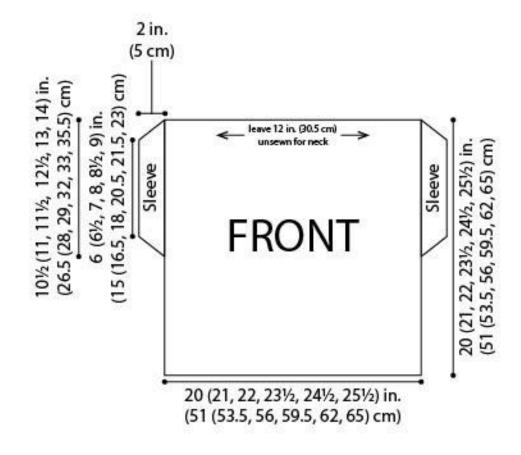
# ABBREVIATIONS

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beg = begin(ning)(s)
ch = chain
ch-sp(s) = space(s) previously made
dc = double crochet
hdc = half double crochet
rem = remain(ing)(s)
rep(s) = repeat(s)
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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