



Free Crochet Pattern

Cropped Square Top



Pattern #-

M22138 VC

Yarn-

Lion Brand® Vanna's Choice®

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SKILL LEVEL – INTERMEDIATE

SIZES

S (M, L, 1X, 2X, 3X)

Finished Bust About 36 (40, 44, 48, 51, 55) in. (91.5 (101.5, 112, 122, 129.5, 139.5) cm)

Finished Length About 16 (16, 16, 19, 19, 19) in. (40.5 (40.5, 40.5, 48.5, 48.5, 48.5) 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.

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® VANNA'S CHOICE® (Art. #860)
#098 Fisherman 5 (5, 5, 7, 7, 8) balls
- LION BRAND® crochet hook size I-9 (5.5 mm)
- LION BRAND® stitch markers
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Sewing needle and thread

One button, ½ in. (13 mm) diameter

GAUGE

16 sts = about 5 in. (12.5 cm); 15 rows = about 7 ¾ in. (19.5 cm) over Lower Squares pattern.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

cross-dc (crossed double crochet – worked over 2 sts) Sk next st or ch, dc in next st or ch, dc in skipped st or ch.

dc2tog (dc 2 sts together) (Yarn over, insert hook in next st or ch 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.

PATTERN STITCHES

Lower Squares Pattern

Row 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, * dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp; rep from * once more, dc in each st to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch-3.

Rep Row 1 for Lower Squares pattern.

Center Squares Pattern

Note: When you see '0' repeats in an instruction, this means that for that size, you should not work any sts, just skip to the next part of the instruction.

Row 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 0 (0, 1, 0, 0, 1) sts, * (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp; rep from * once more, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to last 1 (1, 2, 1, 1, 2) sts, dc in each st to end of row working last dc in 3rd ch of beg ch.

Rep Row 1 for Center Squares pattern.

NOTES

1. Back and Front are worked separately from lower edge upwards. Shoulder seams are sewn, then sts are picked up along armhole edges for Sleeves.
2. Sleeves are worked from shoulder downwards.
3. All pieces are worked back and forth in rows.
4. In this design each dc and each ch count as a stitch. This means that each ch-2 sp consists of 2 stitches. When working stitches, especially cross-dc and dc2tog, take care to work into each stitch as instructed, do not skip any stitches unless instructed.
5. When you see 'as established' in the instructions, this means to continue in the current pattern st, lining up sts as in previous rows.
6. When you see work 'even' in the instructions, this means to continue on in the pattern st you have established without changing the st count by increasing or decreasing.

BACK

Ch 60 (66, 72, 78, 84, 90).

Lower Row of Squares

Row 1 (RS): Dc in 4th ch from hook (3 skipped ch count as dc) and in next 9 (3, 6, 9, 3, 6) ch, ch 2, sk next 2 ch, dc in next ch, (cross-dc) 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) times, dc in next ch, ch 2, sk next 2 ch, dc in next 10 (16, 16, 16, 22, 22) ch, ch 2, sk next 2 ch, dc in next ch, (cross-dc) 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) times, dc in next ch, ch 2, sk next 2 ch, dc in last 10 (4, 7, 10, 4, 7) ch – you will have 2 sets of 10 (4, 7, 10, 4, 7) dc (at beg and end of row), 2 sets of 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) cross-dc (with a dc at beg and end of each set), 1 set of 10 (16, 16, 16, 22, 22) dc (at center), and 4 ch-2 sps (for a total of 58 (64, 70, 76, 82, 88) sts).

Place markers in each of the 4 ch-2 sps, move markers up as each row is worked.

Work in Lower Squares pattern for 8 (8, 8, 10, 10, 10) more rows.

Dividing Row (WS): Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), sk first 3 sts, dc in next st, * ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st; rep from * across working last dc in top of beg ch-3 – 20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30) dc and 19 (21, 23, 25, 27, 29) ch-2 sps.

Center Row of Squares

Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in Center Squares pattern for 9 (9, 9, 11, 11, 11) rows – you will have 2 sets of 4 (1, 2, 4, 1, 2) cross-dc, 2 sets of 10 (16, 16, 16, 22, 22) dc, 1 set of 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) cross-dc (at center), 4 ch-2 sps, and 0 (0, 1, 0, 0, 1) additional dc at beg and end of row (for a total of 58 (64, 70, 76, 82, 88) sts).
Rep Dividing Row – 20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30) dc and 19 (21, 23, 25, 27, 29) ch-2 sps.

Top Row of Squares

Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in Lower Squares pattern for 5 (5, 5, 7, 7, 7) rows.

Divide for Back Slit

Place a marker in space between center 2 dc.

Left Side of Back Slit

Row 1 (WS): Work in Lower Squares pattern as established to 2 sts before center marker, remove center marker, dc2tog; leave rem sts unworked for right side of slit – 1 set of 10 (4, 7, 10, 4, 7) dc, 1 set of 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) cross-dc, 1 set of 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) dc, and 2 ch-2 sps (for a total of 28 (31, 34, 37, 40, 43) sts).

Rows 2-4: Work even in Lower Squares pattern as established for 3 rows.

Row 5: Rep Dividing Row – 28 (31, 34, 37, 40, 43) sts.

Row 6: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 0 (1, 1, 1, 0, 0) sts, (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to last 1 (1, 2, 1, 1, 2) sts, dc in each st to end of row working last dc in 3rd ch of beg ch.

– 28 (31, 34, 37, 40, 43) sts.

Fasten off.

Right Side of Back Slit

Row 1 (WS): From WS, join yarn with sl st in first unworked st following Row 1 of left side of back slit, ch 2, dc in next st (beg ch-2 and following dc count as dc2tog), continue in Lower Squares pattern as established to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch-3 – 28 (31, 34, 37, 40, 43) sts

Rows 2-4: Work even in Lower Squares pattern as established for 3 rows.

Row 5: Rep Dividing Row.

Row 6: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 0 (0, 1, 0, 0, 1) sts, (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to last 1 (2, 2, 2, 1, 1) sts, dc in each st to end of row, working last dc in 3rd ch of beg ch – 28 (31, 34, 37, 40, 43) sts.

Fasten off.

FRONT

Work same as Back to Divide for Back Slit.

Work 1 more row in Lower Squares pattern as established.

Shape Neck

Place a marker on each side of center 4 (10, 10, 10, 16, 16) sts for front neck.

Left Side of Neck

Row 1 (RS): Work in Lower Squares pattern as established to 3 sts before first neck marker, remove neck marker, dc2tog, dc in next st; leave rem sts unworked for front neck and right side of neck – 1 set of 10 (4, 7, 10, 4, 7) dc, 1 set of 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) cross-dc, 1 set of 3 (9, 9, 9, 15, 15) dc, and 2 ch-2 sps (for a total of 26 (26, 29, 32, 32, 35) sts).

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc2tog, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch, remove marker from ch-sp, dc in next dc, continue in Lower Squares pattern as established to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch – 25 (25, 28, 31, 31, 34) sts.

Row 3: Work in Lower Squares pattern as established to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in top of beg ch-3 – 24 (24, 27, 30, 30, 33) sts.

Row 4: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc2tog, * ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next dc; rep from * across working last dc in top of beg ch-3 – 9 (9, 10, 11, 11, 12) dc and 7 (7, 8, 9, 9, 10) ch-2 sps (for a total of 23 (23, 26, 29, 29, 32) sts).

Row 5: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 0 (0, 1, 0, 0, 1) sts, (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each st to last ch-2 sp, dc in next ch-2 sp, dc2tog, dc in top of beg ch-3 – 22 (22, 25, 28, 28, 31) sts.

Fasten off.

Right Side of Neck

Row 1 (RS): From RS, sk first 4 (10, 10, 10, 16, 16) unworked sts following Row 1 of left side of neck, join yarn with sl st in next marked st, remove neck marker, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc2tog, continue in Lower Squares pattern as established to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch-3 – 26 (26, 29, 32, 32, 35) sts.

Row 2: Work in Lower Squares pattern as established to last 4 sts, ch 1, sk next ch, remove marker from ch-sp, dc2tog, dc in top of beg ch-3 – 25 (25, 28, 31, 31, 34) sts.

Row 3: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc2tog, dc in next st, continue in Lower Squares pattern as established to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch – 24 (24, 27, 30, 30, 33) sts.

Row 4: Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), turn, sk first 3 sts, * dc in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts; rep from * to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in top of beg ch-3 – 9 (9, 10, 11, 11, 12) dc and 7 (7, 8, 9, 9, 10) ch-2 sps (for a total of 23 (23, 26, 29, 29, 32) sts).

Row 5: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc2tog, dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to last 1 (1, 2, 1, 1, 2) sts, dc in each st to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch – 22 (22, 25, 28, 28, 31) sts.

Fasten off.

Remove rem markers from ch-2 sps.

Sew shoulder seams.

SLEEVES

Place markers on Front and Back side edges, about 7 (7 1/2, 8, 8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2) in. (18, 19, 20.5, 21.5, 23, 24) cm down from shoulder seams.

First Row of Squares

Row 1 (RS): From RS, draw up a loop of yarn at one marker along one side edge of Front/Back, ch 2, work 44 (46, 50, 54, 56, 60) sc evenly spaced between markers.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 14 (12, 14, 16, 14, 16) sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st, (cross-dc) 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) times, dc in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in last 15 (13, 15, 17, 15, 17) sts – 32 (28, 32, 36, 32, 36) dc, 4 (7, 7, 7, 10, 10) cross-dc, and 2 ch-2 sps (for a total of 44 (46, 50, 54, 56, 60) sts.

Place markers in each of the 2 ch-2 sps. Move markers as each row is worked.

Rows 3 and 4: Work even in pattern as established for 2 rows.

Row 5 (Decrease Row): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc2tog, continue in pattern as established to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in top of beg ch-3 – 42 (44, 48, 52, 54, 58) sts.

Rows 6-8: Work even in pattern as established

Row 9 (Decrease Row): Rep Row 5 – 40 (42, 46, 50, 52, 56) sts.

Row 10: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 3 (1, 3, 2, 3, 2) st(s), * ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st; rep from * to last 6 (4, 6, 5, 6, 5) sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next 3 (1, 3, 2, 3, 2) st(s), dc in top of beg ch-3 – 18 (16, 20, 20, 22, 22) dc and 11 (13, 13, 15, 15, 17) ch-2 sps.

Second Row of Squares

Rows 11 and 12: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to last 2 sts, dc in next st, dc in top of beg ch-3 – 40 (42, 46, 50, 52, 56) sts.

Row 13 (Decrease Row): Rep Row 5 – 38 (40, 44, 48, 50, 54) sts.

Rows 14-16: Work even in pattern as established.

Row 17 (Decrease Row): Rep Row 5 – 36 (38, 42, 46, 48, 52) sts.

Row 18: Work even in Center Squares pattern as established.

Row 19 (Decrease Row): Rep Row 5 – 34 (36, 40, 44, 46, 50) sts.

Row 20: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 3 (1, 3, 2, 3, 2) st(s), * ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st; rep from * to last 6 (4, 6, 5, 6, 5) sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next 3 (1, 3, 2, 3, 2) st(s), dc in top of beg ch-3 – 16 (14, 18, 18, 20, 20) dc and 9 (11, 11, 13, 13, 15) ch-2 sps (for a total of 34 (36, 40, 44, 46, 50) sts).

Third Row of Squares

Row 21 (Decrease Row): Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc2tog, dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st, (cross-dc) to 1 st before next marked ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in each st to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in top of beg ch – 32 (34, 38, 42, 44, 48) sts.

Row 22: Work even in pattern as established.

Row 23 (Decrease Row): Rep Row 5 – 30 (32, 36, 40, 42, 46) sts.

ROWS 24-29: Rep Rows 22 and 23 for 3 times – 24 (26, 30, 34, 36, 40) sts when all decreases have been completed.

Row 30: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in next 1 (2, 1, 3, 1, 3) st(s), * ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st; rep from * to last 4 (5, 4, 6, 4, 6) sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, dc in each st to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch – 24 (26, 30, 34, 36, 40) sts).

Last Row of Squares

Next 5 (5, 5, 4, 3, 3) rows: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, * dc in each st to next marked ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp; rep from * once more, dc in each st to end of row working last dc in top of beg ch.

Fasten off.

Rep along rem armhole edge for 2nd Sleeve.

FINISHING

Neck Band

From RS, join yarn with sl st in top corner of right side of back slit.

Rnd 1: Work 2 sc in same corner, work sc evenly spaced all the way around back and front neck edges, and back slit, working 2 sc in top corner of left side of back slit; join with sl st in first sc, (sl st, ch 5, sl st) in next st (for button loop).

Fasten off.

Sew side and Sleeve seams.

With sewing needle and thread, sew button to left side of back slit, opposite button loop.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

ch = chain

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

dc = double crochet

rem = remain(ing)(s)

rep = repeat

rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

sc = single crochet

sk = skip

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

WS = wrong side



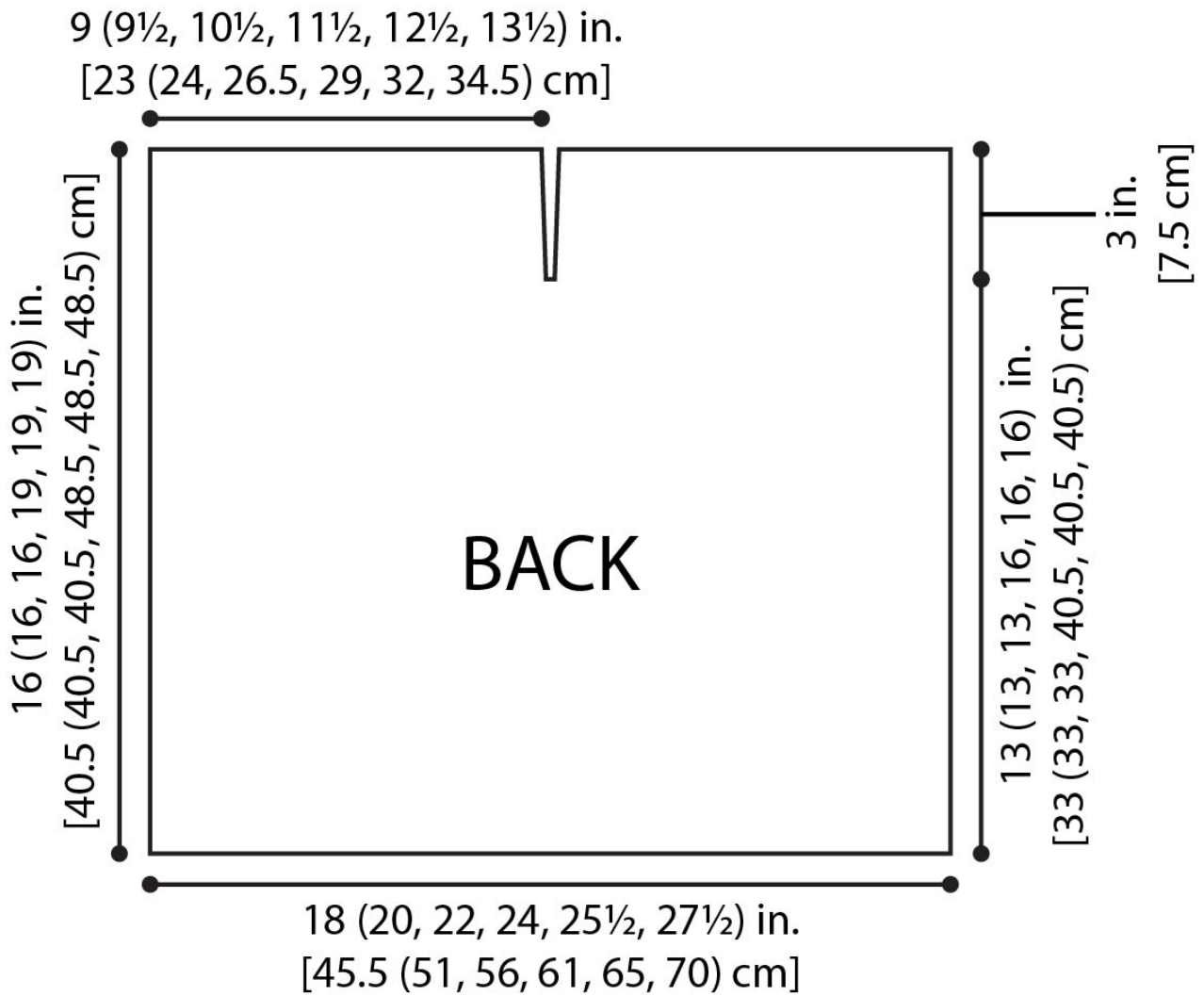
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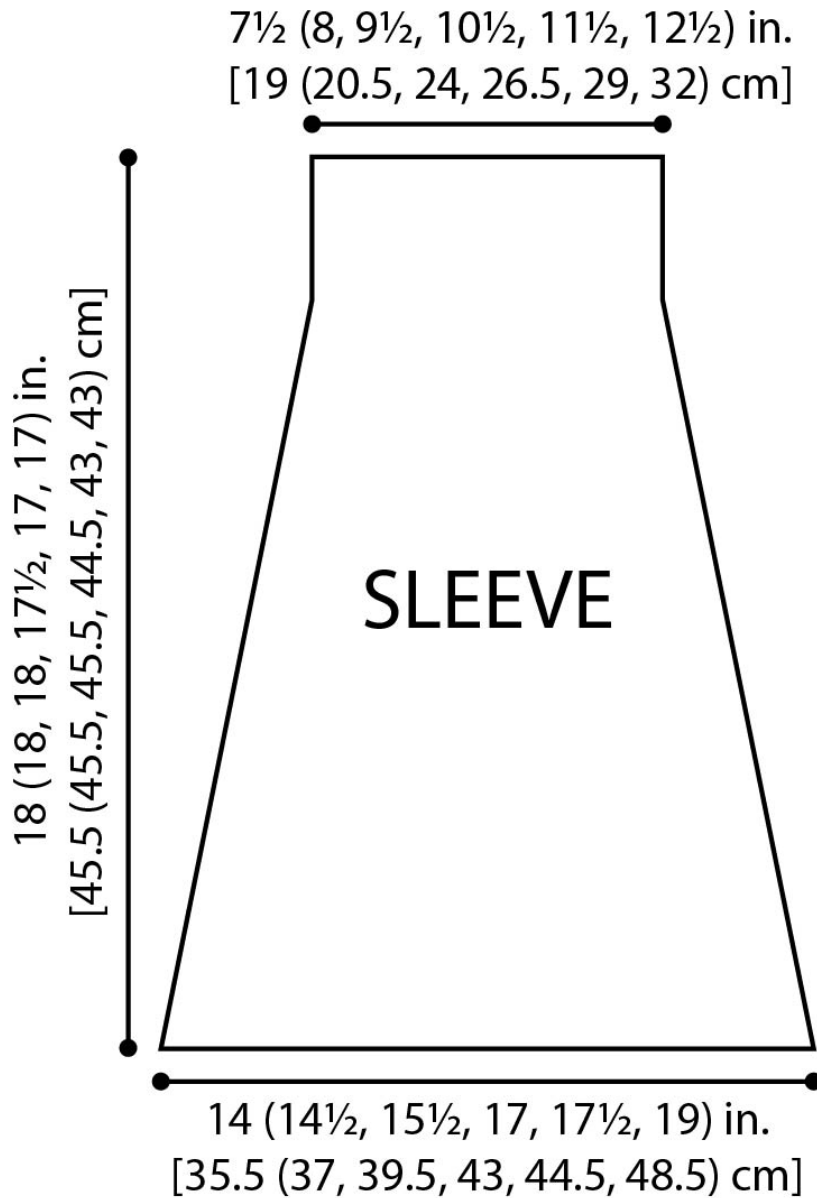
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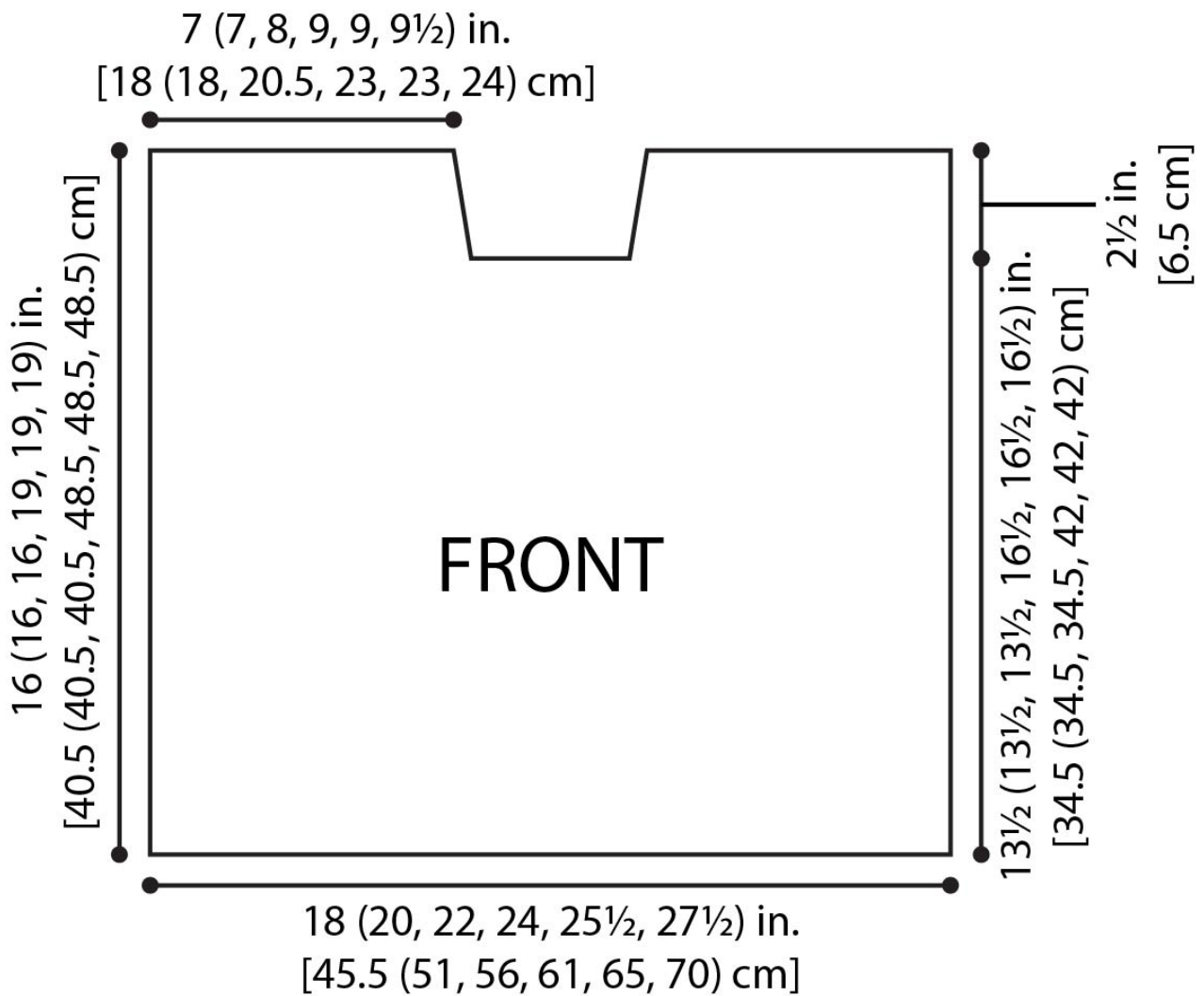
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