



ORCHARD BEACH TOP

Skill Level: **EASY**

Pattern: **M25043 POL**



LION BRAND® POUND OF LOVE® ORCHARD BEACH TOP

EASY

SIZES

S-L (1X-3X)

Finished Width About 23 (28) in. (58.5 (71) cm)

Finished Length About 18 (20) in. (45.5 (51) cm)

Note: Pattern is written for smaller size with changes for larger size in parentheses. When only one number is given, it applies to both sizes. To follow pattern more easily, circle all numbers pertaining to your size before beginning.

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® POUND OF LOVE® (Art. #550) #186 Cerise 1 (1) ball
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Crochet hook size I-9 (5.5 mm)

GAUGE

14 dc = about 4 in. (10 cm).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

NOTES

1. Top is made from 2 identical pieces: Front and Back.
2. Front and Back are both worked from side to side with shaping for neck.
3. Sides are joined at underarms and an edging is worked around neck.

BACK

Ch 65 (72).

First Side

Row 1 (RS): Dc in 4th ch from hook (3 skipped ch count as dc) and in each ch across – you will have 63 (70) dc in this row.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in each st across, working last dc in top of beg-ch.

Rep Row 2 until piece measures about 8 (10 1/2) in. (20.5 (26.5) cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Shape Neck

Row 1 (WS): Turn, sl st in first 5 sts, ch 3 (counts as dc), do not sk next st, dc in each st across, working last dc in top of beg-ch – 59 (66) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in each st across, working last dc in top of beg-ch.

Rep Row 2 until piece measures about 7 in. (18 cm) from beg of neck shaping, end with a RS row as the last row you work.

Second Side

Row 1 (WS): Ch 6 (counts as 3 base ch and dc), turn, dc in 4th ch from hook and in next 2 ch, dc in each st across, working last dc in top of beg-ch – 63 (70) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn, sk first st, dc in each st across, working last dc in top of beg-ch.

Rep Row 2 until second side measures same as first side, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

Fasten off.

FRONT

Make same as Back.

FINISHING

Sew shoulders.

Sew side edges together beginning about 10 (11) in. (25.5 (28) cm) below shoulder seams and leaving lower 3 in. (7.5 cm) unsewn for side slit.

Neck Edging

Notes:

1. To “work sc evenly spaced,” you need to place sc sts so that the edge stays flat and doesn’t pucker or flare.

2. You can place sts wherever you wish as long as the edge stays flat. You may need to unravel and try again to achieve the best results.

From RS, draw up a loop of yarn in neck edge at one shoulder seam, ch 1, work sc evenly spaced around neck edge; join with slip st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

ch = chain

dc = double crochet

rep(s) = repeat(s)

RS = right side

sc = single crochet

sk = skip

st(s) = stitch(es)

WS = wrong side

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