

1960s Vintage Crochet Pattern

Blouse and Dress



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Abbreviations for Crochet and Knitting

ch	chain	sp	space
sc	single crochet	bl	block
half dc	half double crochet	rnd	round
dc	double crochet	incl	inclusive
tr	treble	O	yarn over
d tr	double treble	st	stitch
tr tr	triple treble	k	knit
sl st	slip stitch	p	purl
		inc	increase
		dec	decrease

* (asterisk) . . . Repeat instructions following asterisk as many times as specified.

Repeat instructions in parentheses as many times as specified. For example: "(Ch 1, skip 1 sc, dc in next sc) 15 times" means to make whatever is in parentheses 15 times in all. Also, "(Sl 1, k 1, p.s.s.o.) twice" means to make whatever is in parentheses 2 times in all.

Elaine S-383 Sizes 12, 14 and 16

Materials: CHADWICK'S RED HEART SOCK AND SWEATER YARN 3 Ply, SHRINK-AND-STRETCH RESIST FINISH, Art. E.255: 4 skeins (1 oz. "Tangle-Proof" Pull-Out Skeins) of No. 12 Black; and J. & P. COATS RAYON CROCHET, Art. A.73: 3 balls of No. 1 White . . . Milwards Steel Crochet Hook No. 3 . . . A piece of round black elastic . . . 1 yard black elastic, 3/4 inch wide . . . 3 snap fasteners . . . 2 hooks and eyes.



GAUGE: Each motif measures 1½ inches square.

BLOCKING MEASUREMENTS:

Sizes	12	14	16
Bust	32"	34"	36"
Width across front or back at underarm	16"	17"	18"
Length of side seam (including band)	11"	11"	12½"

BODICE—Motif . . . Starting at center with Rayon Crochet, ch 7. Join with sl st to form ring. **1st rnd:** Ch 2, 12 half dc in ring. Join to first half dc. **2nd rnd:** 2 sc in each half dc around (24 sc). Join and break off. **3rd rnd:** Attach Black to any sc, ch 4, 2 tr in same sc, * dc in next 2 sc, half dc in next sc, dc in next 2 sc, 3 tr in next sc. Repeat from * around. Join and break off.

Make 7 rows of 22 motifs for Size 12; 7 rows of 23 motifs for Size 14 and 8 rows of 24 motifs for Size 16.

Sew motifs together, joining last motif on each row to first motif on same row and leaving 3 motifs free for placket. Cut round elastic slightly smaller than bust measurement. Sew ends together. Place elastic at top of Bodice and, working over elastic with Black, sc closely around top. Join and break off.

SHOULDER STRAP (Make 2) . . . Make a row of 8 motifs for Sizes 12 and 14 and 9 motifs for Size 16. Sew motifs together. Sew Straps in place.

Attach yarn to front at placket opening and sc closely around bottom and placket. Join.

BAND . . . Ch 6, * skip 1 sc, d tr in next sc, ch 1. Repeat from * across bottom, ending with d tr. Break off.

Lace elastic through ch-1 sps. Sew ends securely. Sew snap fasteners to opening and hooks and eyes to band. Block to measurements.



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Sizes 12, 14 and 16

Materials: J. & P. COATS BEST SIX CORD MERCERIZED CROCHET, Art. A.104, Size 30: 24 balls of White or Ecru for Size 12; 26 balls for Size 14 and 28 balls for Size 16; or

CLARK'S BIG BALL MERCERIZED CROCHET, Art. B.34, Size 30: 17 balls of White or Ecru for Size 12; 18 balls for Size 14 and 19 balls for Size 16 . . . Milwards Steel Crochet Hook No. 10 . . . Crown Zipper (dress placket) 12 inches long, Art. F.2 . . . 1 yard of matching seam binding . . . 2 yards of red satin ribbon, 1 inch wide . . . 2 hooks and eyes.

GAUGE: Each motif measures $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches square.

BLOCKING MEASUREMENTS:

Sizes	12	14	16
Bust	32"	34"	36"
Width across back or front at underarm	16"	17"	18"
Length of side seam	10"	10"	11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
Length of skirt from waist to lower edge	30"	30"	31 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

FIRST MOTIF . . . Starting at center, ch 10. Join with sl st to form ring. **1st rnd:** Ch 3, 23 dc in ring. Join with sl st to top of ch-3. **2nd rnd:** Sc in same place as sl st, * ch 3, skip 1 dc, sc in next dc. Repeat from * around. Join. **3rd rnd:** Sl st to center of next loop, ch 3, dc in same loop, * ch 5, holding back on hook the last loop of each tr make 2 tr in next loop, thread over and draw through all loops on hook (cluster made), ch 5, make a tr-cluster in same loop, (ch 5, make a 2-dc cluster in next loop) twice. Repeat from * around. Join and break off.

SECOND MOTIF . . . Work as for First Motif until 2nd rnd has been completed. **3rd rnd:** Sl st to center of next loop, ch 3, dc in same loop, ch 5, make a tr-cluster in next loop, ch 2, sl st in corresponding sp on First Motif, ch 2, tr-cluster in same loop on Second Motif, (ch 2, sl st in corresponding sp on First Motif, ch 2, dc-cluster in next loop on Second Motif) twice. Complete rnd, joining next 2 loops the same way.

BODICE . . . Make 8 rows of 26 motifs for Size 12; 8 rows of 28 motifs for Size 14 and 9 rows of 29 motifs for Size 16, joining adjacent sides as Second Motif was joined to First Motif (where 4 corners meet, join 3rd and 4th corners to joining of previous 2 corners).

SKIRT . . . Make 24 rows (in the length) of 47 motifs for Size 12; 24 rows of 49 motifs for Size 14 and 25 rows of 51 motifs for Size 16, joining last motif on each row to first motif on same row, leaving 5 motifs free at one end to form placket. Gather front of skirt slightly to fit bodice and make a double pleat at back. Sew to bodice.

Sew seam binding around joining of Skirt and Bodice. Attach thread to bottom of placket opening and sc closely around placket, top of Bodice and other side of placket. Join and break off. Sew in zipper. Sew up remainder of Bodice above zipper.

STRAP (Make 2) . . . Make a strip of 12 motifs or number of motifs for length desired. Sc closely around. Join and break off. Sew straps in place.

Sc closely around bottom of skirt. Join and break off. For Belt, mark off length of ribbon to reach around waist. Sew remaining ribbon to form loops and sew in place. Sew hooks and eyes in place on belt. Block to measurements.