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## Cowl Vest designed by Lisa Gonzalez





EASY



DESCRIPTION

SIZING

A quick project, learn the easy-to-use "vstitch" by crocheting this causal and comfy weekend-perfect top using two strands at once.

## **Abbreviations**

Ch(s) = Chain(s)

**sc** = single crochet

SI st = Slip stitch

## **Details & Instructions**

## **MEASUREMENTS**

## To fit bust

XS 36" / 91.5 cm

S 40 " / 101 cm

M 44" / 112 cm

L 48" / 122 cm

XL 52" / 132 cm

2XL 56" / 142 cm

3XL 60" / 152.5 cm

## Length

XS 19" / 48.5 cm

s 19 1/2" / 49.5

cm

M 20" / 51 cm

L 20" / 51 cm

XL 20 1/2" / 52 cm

## **MATERIALS**

Simply Soft (170 g/6. oz;288 m/315 yds)

Si	zes	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	
Contrast A Bone (9703)		3	3	3	4	4	4	5	
Contrast B Off White (9702)		2	2	2	3	3	4	5	

One size US P-15 (11.5 mm) crochet hook, or size to obtain gauge. One size US N-13 (9 mm) crochet hook. Yarn needle.

## **GAUGE**

In pattern, using size US P-15 (11.5 mm) hook and holding 2 strands of A and one strand of B together, 4 V-sts (12 sts) and 6 rows = 4"/10 cm.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

#### SPECIAL TERM

V-st: (Sc, ch 1, sc) in indicated stitch or space.

#### **BACK**

With larger hook and 2 strands of A and one strand of B held together, chain 53 (59, 65, 71, 77, 83, 89).

Row 1 (WS): (Sc, ch 1, sc) in second ch form hook (V-st made), \*skip next 2 ch, (sc, ch 1, sc) in next ch; repeat from \* across, turn—18 (20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30) V-sts.

**Row 2 (RS):** Ch 1, working in front loops only, (sc, ch 1, sc) in ch-space of each V-st across, turn. Repeat last row until piece measures 9 1/2 (10, 10, 10, 10 1/2, 10 1/2, 11)"/24 (25.5, 25.5, 25.5, 26.5, 26.5, 28)cm from beginning; end with a RS row.

#### **Shape Arms**

**Next Row (increase):** Ch 1, working in front loops only, V-st in first sc, skip next ch-space, V-st in next sc (increase made), skip next sc, \*V-st in ch-space of next V-st; repeat from \* across to last V-st; V-st in next sc, skip next ch-space, V-st in last sc (increase made), turn—20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32) V-sts.

Next Row: Ch 1, working in front loops only, V-st in ch-space of each V-st across, turn.

Repeat last row until piece measures 19 (19 1/2, 20, 20, 20 1/2, 20 1/2, 21)"/48.5 (49.5, 51, 51, 52, 52, 53.5)cm from beginning. Fasten off.

#### **FRONT**

Work as for back until piece measures 4 (4, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2)"/10 (10, 11.5, 11.5, 11.5, 11.5,

11.5)cm above arm shaping; end with a RS row—20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32) V-sts.

## **Shape Neck and First Shoulder**

Note: Work in front loops only throughout.

Row 1 (WS): Ch 1, V-st in ch-space of first 9 (10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15) V-sts; leave remaining sts unworked (for neck and second shoulder), turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, skip first sc, sc in next ch-space, V-st in ch-space of remaining V-sts across, turn—8 (9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14) V-sts and 1 sc.

Row 3: Ch 1, V-st in ch-space of each V-st across, sc in last sc, turn.

Rows 4 and 5: Repeat Rows 2 and 3—7 (8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13) V-sts and 1 sc.

Row 6: Ch 1, skip first sc, V-st in ch-space of each V-st across—7 (8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13) V-sts.

Row 7: Ch 1, working in front loops only, (sc, ch 1, sc) in ch-space of each V-st across, turn.

Repeat last row until piece measures 19 (19 1/2, 20, 20, 20 1/2, 20 1/2, 21)"/48.5 (49.5, 51, 51, 52, 52, 53.5)cm from beginning. Fasten off.

## **Shape Neck and Second Shoulder**

**Note:** Work in front loops only throughout.

**Row 1:** With WS facing, skip next 2 unworked V-sts following first shoulder; join 1 strand each of A and B held together with sc in ch-space of next V-st, ch 1, sc in same ch-space (first V-st made), V-st in ch-space of remaining V-sts across—9 (10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15) V-sts.

Row 2: Ch 1, V-st in ch-space of each V-st across to last V-st, sc in ch-space of last V-st, turn—8 (9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14) V-sts and 1 sc.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first sc, V-st in ch-space of each V-st across, turn.

Row 4 and 5: Repeat Row 2 and 3—7 (8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13) V-sts and 1 sc.

Row 6: Ch 1, V-st in ch-space of each V-st across; leave last sc unworked—7 (8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13) V-sts.

Row 7: Ch 1, working in front loops only, (sc, ch 1, sc) in ch-space of each V-st across, turn.

Repeat last row until piece measures 19 (19 1/2, 20, 20, 20 1/2, 20 1/2, 21)"/48.5 (49.5, 51, 51, 52, 52, 53.5)cm from beginning. Fasten off.

#### **FINISHING**

With WS together, with 2 strands of A, sew or crochet shoulder seams. Beginning at lower edge, sew or crochet side seams up to beginning of arm shaping on each side.

#### **Cowl Neck**

**Round 1:** With WS facing, larger hook, and holding 1 strand each of A and B together, join yarn with sc at center back neck; work 66 sc evenly spaced around neck opening; join with slip st in first sc, turn.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, skip first sc, V-st in next sc, \*skip next 2 sc, V-st in next sc; repeat from \* around to last sc, skip last sc; join with slip st in first sc, turn—22 V-sts.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, V-st in each V-st around; join with slip st in first sc, turn.

Repeat last round until cowl measure 6"/15 cm from beginning. Fasten off.

#### Trim

With RS facing, smaller hook, and holding 2 strands of A and 1 strand of B together, join yarn with slip st at center back neck; slip st in each st around (skip the joining slip st). Repeat this process around armholes. Note: Using a smaller hook will cinch the edges of the neck and arm to create a smaller opening.

Using yarn needle, weave in all ends.

