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# Fancy Girl Top

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DESCRIPTION

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This bright and bold capper will take your child's look from so-so to superduper! Crocheted in Caron's Simply Soft Party.

# **Abbreviations**

**Ch(s)** = Chain(s) **Dc** = double crochet

RS = right side

sc = single crochet V

**SI st** = Slip stitch **WS** = wrong side

## **Details & Instructions**

# **MEASUREMENTS**

Finished chest measurement

4 yrs 25.5 ins [65 cm]

6 yrs 28.5 ins [72.5 cm]

8 yrs 30 ins [76 cm]

10 31.5 ins [80

yrs cm]

12 34.5 ins [87.5

yrs cm]

Finished length measurement

4 yrs 8 ins [20.5 cm]

6 yrs 8.5 ins [21.5 cm]

8 yrs 9.5 ins [24 cm] 10 10 ins [25.5 yrs cm] 12 10.5 ins [26.5 yrs cm]

## **MATERIALS**

Simply Soft Party (85 g/3. oz;150 m/164 yds)

Sizes	4 yrs	6 yrs	8 yrs	10 yrs	12 yrs	
Contrast A Purple Sparkle (0006)	6	8	9	10	12	
Contrast B Fuchsia Sparkle (0002)	3	3	3	4	4	
Contrast C Spring Sparkle (0002)	2	3	3	3	4	

One size US I-9 (5.5mm) crochet hook, or size to obtain gauge. Optional pin back (for flower pin or flower may be sewn on). Optional sewing needle and thread (for sewing pin back to flower). Yarn needle.

#### **GAUGE**

In cross-stitch pattern, 6 cross-sts and 12 rows = 4"/10cm, and 12 sc = 4"/10cm.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

#### SPECIAL TERMS

cl: Cluster— [Yarn over] 2 times, insert hook in indicated stitch and draw up a loop, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 2 times, \*[yarn over] 2 times, insert hook in same stitch and draw up a loop, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 2 times; repeat from \* 2 more times, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook. cross-st: Cross stitch—Skip next stitch, dc in next stitch, working over stitch just made, dc in skipped stitch. Fsc: Foundation single crochet (This technique creates a foundation chain and a row of single crochet stitches in one) –

**Step 1:** Place a slip knot on hook, ch 2, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook and draw up a loop; yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"); yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (the "single crochet").

**Step 2:** Insert hook into the "chain" of the previous stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"), yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (the "single crochet"). Repeat for the length of foundation.

picot: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook.

**sc2tog:** Single crochet 2 together—Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, (2 loops on hook), insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

### **CROSS-STITCH PATTERN**

Row 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), \*cross-st over next 2 sts; repeat from \* across to last st, dc in last st, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 for cross-stitch pattern

#### NOTE

Jacket is worked from lower back edge up to underarms. Sleeves are then added, and work proceeds up and over shoulders. Work is then split for fronts.

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Note: If you prefer to begin jacket with a traditional foundation chain, work as follows: Ch 39 (41, 43, 45, 47).

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—38 (40, 42, 44, 46) sc. Then proceed to Row 2 of instructions.

Beginning at lower back edge.

Row 1: With A, work 38 (40, 42, 44, 46) Fsc, turn.

Rows 2-5: Work Rows 1 and 2 of cross-stitch pattern 2 times.

#### **Shape Sleeves**

**Note:** If you prefer to use traditional foundation chains for both sleeves, work as follows: Fasten off. Row 6: Ch 36 (**40**, 44, **46**, 50) (for sleeve foundation), work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern across last row, ch 37 (**41**, 45, **47**, 51) (for other sleeve foundation), turn. Row 7: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch and sc all the way across, turn—110 (**120**, 130, **136**, 146) sc. Then proceed to Row 8 of instructions.

**Row 6:** Work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern, do not turn, ch 37 (41, 45, 47, 51) (for first sleeve), turn—38 (40, 42, 44, 46) sts and sleeve foundation chain.

Row 7: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, sc in each st of previous row, work 36 (40, 44, 46, 50) Fsc (for second sleeve), turn—110 (120, 130, 136, 146) sc.

Rows 8–19 (21, 23, 25, 27): Work Rows 1 and 2 of cross-stitch pattern 6 (7, 8, 9, 10) times.

Row 20 (22, 24, 26, 28): Work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern.

#### Divide for Neck and work First Front

**Row 1:** Ch 1, work 1 (**1**, 1, **2**, 2) sc in first st, 1 (**1**, 2, **2**, 2) sc in next st, sc in next 44 (**49**, 54, **57**, 62) sts, 1 (**2**, 2, **2**, 2) sc in next st, 1 (**1**, 1, 1, 2) sc in next st, turn; leave remaining sts unworked (for neck and second sleeve)—48 (**54**, 60, **64**, 70) sc for first front.

Work over the 48 (54, 60, 64, 70) first front sts only.

Rows 2-5 (7, 9, 11, 13): Work Rows 1 and 2 of cross-stitch pattern 2 (3, 4, 5, 6) times.

Row 6 (8, 10, 12, 14): Work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern.

Row 7 (9, 11, 13, 15) (neck increase row): Ch 1, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, 2 sc in last 2 sts (neck edge), turn—50 (56, 62, 66, 72) sts.

Row 8 (10, 12, 14, 16): Work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern.

Row 9 (11, 13, 15, 17): Repeat Row 7—52 (58, 64, 68, 74) sts.

Rows 10 (12, 14, 16, 18)–13 (15, 17, 19, 21): Repeat last 2 rows 2 times—56 (62, 68, 72, 78) sts.

## **End Sleeve and Complete First Front**

Row 14 (16, 18, 20, 22): Ch 3 (counts as dc), [cross-st over next 2 sts] 9 (10, 11, 12, 13) times, dc in next st, turn; leave remaining sts unworked—20 (22, 24, 26, 28) sts.

**Row** 15 **(17,** 19, **21,** 23**)**: Work Row 2 of cross-st pattern.

Rows 16 (18, 20, 22, 24)-19 (21, 23, 25, 27): Work Rows 1 and 2 of cross-st pattern 2 times.

Fasten off.

### Second Front

Sk next 14 unworked sts following first front (for neck), join A with sc in next st.

**Row 1:** Work 0 (**0**, 0, **0**, 1) more sc in same st as join, 1 (**2**, 2, **2**, 2) sc in next st, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, 1 (**1**, 2, **2**, 2) sc in next st, 1 (**1**, 1, **2**, 2) sc in last st—48 (**54**, 60, **64**, 70) sc.

**Rows 2–5 (7, 9, 11, 13):** Work Rows 1 and 2 of cross-stitch pattern 2 **(3,** 4, **5**, 6) times.

**Row** 6 **(8,** 10, **12,** 14**):** Work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern.

**Row** 7 **(9,** 11, 13, 15) **(neck increase row):** Ch 1, 2 sc in first 2 sts (neck edge), sc in each st across, turn—50 **(56,** 62, 66, 72) sts.

**Row** 8 **(10,** 12, **14,** 16**):** Work Row 1 of cross-stitch pattern.

**Row** 9 **(11,** 13, **15,** 17**):** Repeat Row 7—52 **(58,** 64, **68,** 74) sts.

**Rows** 10 **(12,** 14, **16,** 18)–13 **(15,** 17, **19,** 21): Repeat last 2 rows 2 times—56 **(62,** 68, **72,** 78) sts. Fasten off.

End Sleeve and Complete Second Front

**Row** 14 **(16,** 18, **20,** 22**):** Sk first 36 **(40,** 44, **46,** 50) sts, join A with sl st in next st, ch 3, [cross-st over next 2 sts] 9 **(10,** 11, **12,** 13) times, dc in last st, turn—20 **(22,** 24, **26,** 28) sts.

**Row** 15 **(17,** 19, **21,** 23**):** Work Row 2 of cross-st pattern.

Rows 16 (18, 20, 22, 24)–19 (21, 23, 25, 27): Work Rows 1 and 2 of cross-st pattern 2 times, do not turn at end

of last row. Do not fasten off.

Side Edging and Seams

Ch 1, working in ends of rows up side edge of front, work sc in end of each sc row, and 2 sc in end of each dc row to sleeve, sk sleeve; working in ends of rows down side edge of back, sc in end of each sc row, and 2 sc in end of each dc row to lower edge. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Thread tail onto yarn needle and whipstitch front and back sides together, then whipstitch sleeve seam. With RS facing, join A with sl st in lower front corner of other side. Repeat side edging and seaming.

#### **FINISHING**

### Front Edging

With RS facing, join A with sc in end of row at lower, front corner; working in ends of rows up front edge, work sc in end of each sc row, and 2 sc in end of each dc row to back neck, sc in each st across back neck; working in ends of rows down other front edge, work sc in end of each sc row, and 2 sc in end of each dc row to lower, front edge. Fasten off.

#### **Cuffs**

**Round 1:** With RS facing, join A with sc in end of any row at cuff edge of sleeve; working in ends of rows, work sc in end of each row; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

**Round 2:** With RS facing, join C with sc in any sc of previous round, sc in each sc around, working 8 (9, 10, 11, 12) sc2tog (decreases); join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

**Round 3:** With RS facing, join B with sl st in any sc of previous round, ch 3, sl st in same st, ch 3, \*(sl st, ch 3, sl st) in next st, ch 3; repeat from \* around; join with sl st in same st as first sl st. Fasten off. Repeat around other sleeve.

#### Lower Edging

**Round 1:** With RS facing, join C with sc anywhere in lower edge of jacket. sc evenly around entire lower edge (joining two fronts together at lower edge); join with sl st in first sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

**Round 3:** With RS facing, join B with sl st in any sc of previous round, ch 3, sl st in same st, ch 3, \*sl st in next st, [ch 3, sl st in same st] twice, ch 3; repeat from \* around; join with sl st in same st as first sl st. Fasten off.

#### **Flower**

With B, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** Ch 1, work 12 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc—12 sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, working front loops only, (sl st, ch 3, sl st) in first st, ch 3, \*(sl st, ch 3, sl st) in next st, ch 3; repeat from \* around; join with sl st in same st as first sl st—24 sl sts and 24 ch-3 sps.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, working in unworked back loops of Round 1, (sl st, ch 3, sl st) in first st, ch 3, \*(sl st, ch 3, sl st) in next st, ch 3; repeat from \* around; join with sl st in same st as first sl st.

Fasten off.

#### Leaves

With C, ch 8; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** \*(SI st, ch 4, cl, picot) in next ch, sI st in top of cl; working down side of cl, work 4 sI st evenly spaced down last st of cl, sI st in same ch as cl, sI st in next ch; repeat from \* 3 more times.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Thread tail onto yarn needle, weave through all loops at base of each cluster and pull gently, but firmly, to gather. Sew a few stitches to secure. Sew leaves to back of flower. With sewing needle and matching thread, sew pin to back of flower.

Using yarn needle, weave in all ends.

