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CROCHET SKILL LEVEL

EASY

Designed by Julie Farmer

## What you will need:

RED HEART ${ }^{\star}$ Soft
Essentials ${ }^{\text {TM }}: 5$ (6, 7, 7, 8, 9) balls 7103 Cream A

RED HEART ${ }^{\circledR}$ Soft Essentials Stripes ${ }^{\text {TM }: ~} 2$ (2, 3, 3, 4, 4) balls 7930 Linen Stripe B

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook: 6.5 mm [US K-10½]

5 buttons, 1" [25mm] diameter, stitch markers, yarn needle

GAUGE: $8 \mathrm{dc}=3^{\prime \prime}$ [7.5 cm]; 4 rows $=3$ " $[7.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ ] in double crochet. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.


RED HEART ${ }^{*}$ Soft Essentials ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, Art E856 available in $5 \mathrm{oz}(140 \mathrm{~g}), 131 \mathrm{yd}(120 \mathrm{~m})$ 5 OZ
balls

RED HEART ${ }^{*}$ Soft Essentials Stripes ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, Art. E857 available in $4 \mathrm{oz}(113 \mathrm{~g}) 110 \mathrm{yd}$ (101 m) balls


## Classy Cardi

This easy to wear crochet cardigan will be your go-to sweater this year. Great for layering up, it can be worn as a jacket in warmer climates. Combine your favorite solid color with a striping color way for a cardigan that's uniquely you.

## Directions are for size Small; changes for sizes Medium, Large, $X$-Large, $2 X$

 and $3 X$ are in parentheses.Finished Bust: 37 (41, 45, 49, 53, 57)" [94 (104, 114, 124, 134, 145) cm], unbuttoned
Finished Length: $281 / 2(29,291 / 2,30,301 / 2$, 31)" [72.5 (74.5, 75, 76, 77.5, 79) cm]

## NOTE

Cardigan is worked in one piece back and forth in rows from lower edge to armholes. Then it is separated into 2 Fronts and a Back.
Sleeves are worked separately in joined rounds.
Buttons are pushed through sts to close Cardigan.

## SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

dc2tog: [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times, yarn over, draw through all loops on hook.

## BODY

With A, ch 108 (118, 130, 140, 150, 162). Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped sts count as first dc here and throughout) and in each ch across - 106 $(116,128,138,148,160)$ dc.
Rows 2-8: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), turn, dc in each dc across 106 (116, 128, 138, 148, 160) dc.
Row 9 (Decrease row): Ch 3 , turn, dc in next 24 (27, 30, 33, 35, 38) dc, dc2tog, place marker, dc in next 52 (56, 62, 66, $72,78)$ dc, place marker, dc2tog, dc in each st to end of row - 104 (114, 126, 136, 146,158 ) dc.
Rows 10-12: Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc across.

Row 13: Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc to 1 st before marker, dc2tog, slip marker, dc across to second marker, slip marker, dc2tog, dc in each dc to end of row 102 (112, 124, 134, 144, 156) dc.
Repeat Rows 10-13 for 3 more times - 96 (106, 118, 128, 138, 150) dc remain on last row worked.
Work in dc until piece measures 20" [51 cm ] from beginning, end with a right side row.

## Shape Armhole and Divide for Fronts and Back <br> Left Front

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Ch 3, turn, dc in next 21 (23, 25, 28, 29, 31) dc, leave remaining sts unworked - 22 (24, 26, 29, $30,32)$ dc.
Row 2 (Right Side): Ch 3, turn, dc in next st, dc2tog, dc in each st across - 21 (23, 25, 28, 29, 31) dc.
Row 3: Ch 3, turn, dc across to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in last st - 20 (22, 24, 27, 28, 30) dc.

Working in dc, decrease 1 st at armhole edge every row $0(1,2,4,4,5)$ more times - 20 (21, 22, 23, 24, 25) dc remain on last row worked.
Work in dc until Armhole measures 4 $(4112,5,51 / 2,6,61 / 2)[10(11.5,12.5,14,15$ $16.5) \mathrm{cm}$ ], end with a right side row.

## Shape Neck

Next Row (Wrong Side): Turn, slip st in first 6 sts for Neck, ch 3, dc in each st across - 15 ( $16,17,18,19,20$ ) dc.
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Decrease 1 st at neck edge every row 2
$(3,3,4,4,5)$ times $-13(13,14,14,15,15)$ dc remain on last row worked.
Work in dc until Armhole measures $81 / 2$ $(9,91 / 2,10,101 ⁄ 2,11$ )" $[21.5(23,24,25.5$, $26.5,28) \mathrm{cm}]$. Fasten off.

## Back

With wrong side facing and working along last full row worked, skip next 4 ( $5,6,7,8,10$ ) sts after last st of Left Front, join yarn in next st with a slip st, ch 3 , dc in next $43(49,53,57,61,65)$ sts, leave remaining sts unworked - 44 (48, $54,56,62,66$ ) dc.
Decrease Row: Ch 3, turn, dc2tog, dc in each st to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in last st - 42 (46, 52, 54, 60, 64) sts.
Repeat Decrease Row 1 (2, 4, 5, 6, 8) more times - 40 ( $42,44,46,48,48$ ) dc. Work in dc until Armhole measures $81 / 2$ $\left(9,91 / 2,10,10^{1 ⁄ 2}, 11\right) "[21.5(23,24,25.5$, $26.5,28) \mathrm{cm}]$. Fasten off.

## Right Front

With wrong side facing and working along last full row worked, skip next 4 $(5,6,7,8,10)$ sts after last st of Back, join yarn in next st with a slip st, ch 3, dc to end of row - $22(24,26,29,30,32)$ dc.

Row 1 (Right Side): Ch 3, dc across to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in last st - 21 (23, $25,28,29,31)$ dc.
Row 2 (Wrong Side): Ch 3, turn, dc in next st, dc2tog, dc in each st across 20 (22, 24, 27, 28, 30) dc.
Working in dc, decrease 1 st at armhole edge every row $0(1,2,4,4,5)$ more times - $20(21,22,23,24,25)$ dc remain on last row worked.
Work in dc until Armhole measures 4 $(41 / 2,5,51 / 2,6,61 / 2)[10(11.5,12.5,14,15$, $16.5) \mathrm{cm}$ ], end with a wrong side row.

## Shape Neck

Next Row (Right Side): Turn, slip st in first 6 sts for Neck, ch 3, dc in each st across - 15 ( $16,17,18,19,20$ ) dc.

Decrease 1 st at neck edge every row 2 ( 3 , $3,4,4,5)$ times $-13(13,14,14,15,15)$ dc. Work in dc until Armhole measures $81 / 2$ (9, 9½, 10, 1012, 11)" [21.5 (23, 24, 25.5, $26.5,28) \mathrm{cm}$. Fasten off.

## SLEEVE

With B, ch 30 (30, 32, 34, 34, 38), slip st in first ch to join, taking care not to twist sts. Place marker for beginning of round.
Round 1: Ch 3, dc in each ch around, slip st in top of beginning ch to join - 30 (30, $32,34,34,38$ ) dc.
Round 2: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, slip st in top of ch-3.
Repeat Round 2 for $9(6,6,3,0,0)$ more times.
Increase Round: Ch 3, 2 dc in next st, dc in each dc around to last dc, 2 dc in last st, slip st in top of ch-3-32 (32, 34, 36, 36,40 ) dc.
Repeat Round 2 twice.
Repeat last 3 rounds 2 (3, 3, 4, 5, 5) more times - $36(38,40,44,46,50)$ dc on last round worked.
Work in dc until Sleeve measures $18{ }^{\prime \prime}$ [ 46 cm ] from beginning.

## Shape Cap

Note: Cap will be worked back and forth in rows.
Row 1: Slip st in first 3 sts, ch 3, dc2tog, dc across to last 5 sts, dc2tog, dc in next st, leave last 2 sts unworked - 30 (32, 34, 38, 40, 44) dc.
Decrease Row 1: Ch 3, turn, dc2tog, dc across to last 3 sts, dc2tog, dc in last st 28 (30, 32, 36, 38, 42) dc.

Repeat Decrease Row 1 for 0 (1, 2, 2, 3,
3) more times - 28 ( $28,28,32,32,36$ ) dc on last row worked.

Decrease Row 2: Turn, slip st in first 2 sts, ch 3, dc2tog, dc to last 4 sts, dc2tog, dc in next st, leave last st unworked - 24 (24, 24, 28, 28, 32) dc.
Repeat Decrease Row 2 for 2 (2, 2, 3, 3,
4) times - 16 dc on last row worked.

Next Row: Ch 3, turn, [dc2tog] across to last st, dc in last st -9 dc .
Next Row: Ch 3, turn, dc2tog across to last 2 sts, dc to end of row - 6 dc. Fasten off.

## FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams. Sew in sleeves.

## Neckband

With right side facing, join A at Right Front neck edge with a slip st, sc evenly spaced around neck edge, end at Left Front neck edge. Fasten off. Sew on buttons evenly spaced along front edge of Left Front.
Weave in ends.

## Abbreviations

A, B, C = Color A, B, C; ch = chain; cm = centimeters; dc = double crochet; $\mathbf{m m}=$ millimeters; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

See schematic and alternate photos on next page

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$5(5,51 ⁄ 2,51 ⁄ 2,6,6) "$ [12.5 (12.5, 14, 14, 15, 15) cm $51 / 2(6,6,7,7,7)$ $[14(15,15,18,18,18) \mathrm{cm}] \longrightarrow$



