



Flirtation Vest

Accessorize a Spring or Summer outfit with a light and airy crocheted vest. Shown here in natural, but any of the brighter colors of Luster Sheen would work to brighten up your days.

Directions are for Size Small. Changes for Sizes Medium, Large and Extra Large are in parentheses.

To Fit Bust: 30-32 (34-36, 38-40, 42-44)".

Finished Bust: 40 (43, 46, 49½)".

Length: 17 (18, 19, 20)".

RED HEART® Luster Sheen®: 6 (6, 7, 7) balls 805 Natural.

Crochet Hooks: 3.25mm [US D-3] and 3.5mm [US E-4]. Yarn needle.

GAUGE: 23 sts = 4"; 8 rows = 4¼" in pattern with larger hook. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hooks to obtain the gauge.**

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Tr-cl: *Yo twice, insert hook in next st, yo, draw yarn through st, [yo, draw yarn through 2 loops on hook] twice; repeat from * twice in same space, yo and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

Tr2tog (dec): *Yo twice, insert hook in next st, yo, draw yarn through st, [yo, draw yarn through 2 loops on hook] twice; repeat from * once, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

V-stitch (V-st): (Tr, ch 3, tr) in same space.

Dc2tog: [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw yarn through st, yo, draw through 2 loops on hook] twice in same st, yo, draw yarn through 3 loops on hook.

Dc-cl: [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw yarn through st, yo, draw through 2 loops on hook] 3 times in same st, yo, draw yarn through 4 loops on hook.

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Body

With larger hook, ch 224 (242, 260, 278) sts.

Row 1 (Right Side): Tr in 5th ch from hook (skipped ch-4 counts as first tr), *ch 1, skip next ch, tr in next 2 ch; repeat from * across; turn – 221 (239, 257, 275) sts; 73 (79, 85, 91) ch-1 spaces.

Row 2: Ch 4 (counts as tr here and throughout), skip first st, tr in next st, *ch 1, skip next st, tr in next 2 sts; repeat from * across, ending with last tr in top of ch-4 turning ch; turn.

Row 3: Ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1 here and throughout), skip first 2 sts, *[tr in next st, ch 1, skip next st] twice; tr in next st, ch 3, skip next 4 sts, V-st in next ch-1 space, ch 3, skip next 4 sts, [tr in next st, ch 1, skip next st] twice; repeat from * across to last 3 sts, tr in next st, ch 1, skip next st, tr in top of ch-4 turning ch; turn – 12 (13, 14, 15) V-sts.

Row 4: Ch 5, skip next ch-1 space, *tr in next tr, ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, tr in next tr, ch 3, skip next (ch-1 space, tr and ch-3 space), ([tr-cl, ch 3] 2 times, tr-cl) all in next ch-3 space, ch 3, skip next (ch-3 space, tr and ch-1 space), tr in next tr, ch 1, skip next ch-1 space; repeat from * to last 3 sts, tr in next tr, ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, tr in 4th ch of ch-5 turning ch; turn.

Row 5: Ch 5, skip next ch-1 space, tr in next tr. *ch 3, skip next (ch-1 space, tr, ch-3 space and tr-cl), [work (tr-cl, ch 3, tr-cl, ch 3) all in next ch-3 sp] twice, skip next (tr-cl, ch-3 space, tr and ch-1 space), tr in next tr; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, tr in 4th ch of ch-5 turning ch; turn.



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Row 6: Ch 6 (counts as tr, ch 2), skip next (ch-1 space, tr, ch-3 space and tr-cl), *[work (tr-cl, ch 2, tr-cl, ch 2) all in next ch-3 sp] 3 times**, skip next 2 ch-3 spaces; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, tr in 4th ch of ch-5 turning ch; turn.

Row 7: Ch 1, sc in first tr, 3 sc in next ch-2 space, *sc in next tr-cl, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp; repeat from * across, sc in 4th ch of ch-6 turning ch; turn – 221 (239, 257, 275) sts.

Row 8: Ch 4, skip first sc, tr in next sc, *ch 1, skip next sc, tr in next 2 sc; repeat from * across; turn – 73 (79, 85, 91) ch-1 spaces.

Row 9: Ch 4, skip first st, tr in next st, *ch 1, skip next st, tr in next 2 sts; repeat from * across, ending with last tr in top of ch-4 turning ch; turn.

Repeat Row 9 for pattern until vest measures 10" from beginning, ending with a wrong side row.

Right Front

Row 1: Counting each ch-1 space as a st, work in pattern across first 38 (44, 47, 53) sts; turn – 12 (14, 15, 17) ch-1 spaces.

Row 2: Ch 4, tr2tog over next 2 sts (decrease made), work in pattern across; turn.

Row 3: Slip st in first 16 sts, ch 4, work in pattern to last 2 sts, tr2tog over last 2 sts, turn.

Maintaining st pattern, decrease 1 st at each end of next row; then decrease 1 st at neck edge of next 2 rows – 17 (23, 26, 32) sts; 5 (7, 8, 10) ch-1 spaces.

Work even in established pattern until armhole measures 7 (8, 9, 10)" from beginning. Fasten off leaving a sewing length.

Back

Row 1: With right side facing, skip next 31 sts to the left of last st made in row 1 of Right Front, with larger hook, join yarn in next st, ch 4, work in pattern across next 82 (88, 100, 106) sts; turn – 83 (89, 101, 107) sts; 27 (29, 33, 35) ch-1 spaces.

Decrease 1 st at each end of next 3 rows – 77 (83, 95, 101) sts. Work even in established pattern until armhole measures 7 (8, 9, 10)" from beginning. Fasten off.

Left Front

Row 1: With right side facing, skip next 31 sts to the left of last in row 1 of Back, with larger hook, join yarn in next st, ch 4, work in pattern across, turn – 12 (14, 15, 17) ch-1 spaces.

Row 2: Ch 4, work in pattern across to last 2 sts, tr2tog over last 2 st; turn.

Row 3: Ch 4, tr2tog over nest 2 sts, work in pattern across to last 16 sts; turn leaving remaining sts unworked.

Maintaining st pattern, decrease 1 st at each end of next row; then decrease 1 st at neck edge of next 2 rows – 17 (23, 26, 32) sts; 5 (7, 8, 10) ch-1 spaces.

Work even in established pattern until armhole measures 7 (8, 9, 10)" from beginning. Fasten off leaving a sewing length.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder seams.

Vest Edging

With right side facing and smaller hook, join yarn to center back neck.

Round 1: Ch 1, sc evenly around entire edge, working 3 sc in each corner; join with a slip st in first sc; turn.

Round 2: Ch 3, dc2tog in same st as joining, ch 2, skip next 2 sc, dc-cl in next sc; repeat from * around, adjusting as necessary at corners and curves to keep work flat; join with a slip st in top of beginning ch-3; turn.

Round 3: Ch 1, sc evenly around working 1 sc in each cl, and 2 sc in each ch-2 space; join with a slip st in first sc; DO NOT TURN.

Round 4: Ch 3, skip first 2 sc, slip st in next sc, *ch 3, skip next sc, slip st in next sc; repeat from * around; join with a slip st at base of first ch-3. Fasten off.

Armhole Edging

With right side facing and smaller hook, join yarn to center of underarm. Work same as Vest Edging omitting reference to corners.

Ties (make 6)

With larger hook, ch 2

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook; turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in sc; turn.

Repeat row 2 until tie measures 6" long. Fasten off. Sew to center front edge as pictured.



RED HEART® Luster Sheen®, Art. E794 available in 3.5 oz (100 g), 307 yd (281 m) solid color and 3 oz (85 g), 261 yd (239 m) multicolor balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **dec** = decrease; **inc** = increase; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch (es); **tr** = treble (triple) crochet; **yo** = yarn over; **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.



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