# PREMIER®

# Trapeze Cardigan

Level: Intermediate

# **SIZES**

S (M, L, XL, XXL)

# **FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

**Bust:** 35 (40, 43, 48, 51)" **Length:** 21 (22, 23, 24, 25)"

# **MATERIALS**

Premier® Yarns Garden™ (100% Micro Acrylic; 3.5oz/100g, 284yds/260m)

#1076-11 Periwinkle – 4 (4, 5, 5, 6) balls
Hook: US Size E-4 (3.5mm), H-8 (5mm),
I-9 (5.5mm) crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge

**Notions:** Tapestry needle, stitch markers, 5 buttons

### **GAUGE**

20 dc x 10.5 rows = 4" on Size E-4 (3.5mm) hook

18 sts x 8 rows = 4" in **Dew Drop Stitch** on Size H-8 (5mm) hook

Save time, check your gauge.

## STITCH GUIDE

**Dew Drop Stitch** (Multiple of 3 sts + 1) **Foundation Row (WS):** 3 dc in 5<sup>th</sup> ch from hk,

\*sk next 2 ch, 3 dc in next ch; rep from \* across
to within last 2 ch, sk next ch, 1 dc in last ch,
turn.

**Row 1 (RS):** Ch 4 (counts as 1 dc + ch 1) \*dc3tog in next 3 dc, ch 2; rep from \* to last 4 sts, dc3tog in next 3 dc, 1 dc in top of turning ch, turn.

**Row 2 (WS):** Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), \*3 dc in top of next cluster; rep from \* to end, 1 dc in 3<sup>rd</sup> ch of turning ch, turn.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for patt.

# **PATTERN NOTES**

This cardigan begins at the bottom of the yoke about 2" from the waistline. Body is worked in one piece from right to left. Sleeves are made seperately, worked down from the armholes and sewn in later. A variety of hook sizes are used are used to shape the cardigan's waist and bottom peplum.

# **CARDIGAN**

# **Upper Bodice**

With US Size H-8 (5mm), ch 151 (175, 187, 211, 223).

Work in **Dew Drop Stitch** for 11 rows. End having just worked Row 2 – 50 (58, 62, 70, 74) clusters.

# **Body Division**

# **Right Front**

Next Row (RS): Ch 4 (counts as 1 dc + ch 1) \*dc3tog in next 3 dc, ch 2; rep from \* 9 (11, 12, 14, 15) times more, dc3tog in next 3 dc, 1 dc in the sp between the next 2 clusters, turn – 11 (13, 14, 16, 17) dc3tog's.

Note: You will now be working just on these sts. Continue to work in **Dew Drop Stitch** (your next row is Row 2) for 9 (11, 13, 15, 17) rows more.

Piece will measure 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  (5  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 6  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 7  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 8  $\frac{1}{2}$ )" from Body Division.

# **Neck Shaping**

**Next Row (RS):** SI st across 9 dc (3 clusters), continue to work in **Dew Drop Stitch** Row 1 to end.

**Next Row (WS):** Work **Dew Drop Stitch** Row 2 until one cluster remains, (do not work it as you normally would) instead, work 1 dc in the

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top of this cluster, turn.

Continue to work in the remaining sts until the piece measures 7 (8, 9, 10, 11)" from Body Division. Cut yarn and fasten off.

# Back

With US Size H-8 (5mm), return to the sts you left off from the Body Division. Count 6 dcs (2 clusters) away from the right front and insert your hk into the sp between the 2 clusters.

Next Row (RS): Ch 4 (counts as 1 dc + ch 1) \*dc3tog in next 3 dc, ch 2; rep from \* 22 (26, 28, 32, 34) times more, dc3tog in next 3 dc, 1 dc in the sp between the next 2 clusters, turn.

Continue to work in **Dew Drop Stitch** (your next row is Row 2) until the piece measures 7 (8, 9, 10, 11)" from Body Division.

Cut yarn and fasten off.

### Left Front

With US Size H-8 (5mm), return to the sts you left off from the Body Division. Count 6 dcs (2 clusters) away from the right front and insert your hk into the sp between the 2 clusters.

Next Row (RS): Ch 4 (counts as 1 dc + ch 1) \*dc3tog in next 3 dc, ch 2; rep from \* 9 (11, 12, 14, 15) times more, dc3tog in next 3 dc, 1 dc in top of turning ch, turn.

Note: You will have reached the end of the row – 11 (13, 14, 16, 17) dc3tog's.

You will now be working just on these sts. Continue to work in **Dew Drop Stitch** (your next row is Row 2) for 9 (11, 13, 15, 17) rows more. Piece will measure 4 ½ (5 ½, 6 ½, 7 ½, 8 ½)" from Body Division.

# **Neck Shaping**

**Next Row (RS):** Work in **Dew Drop Stitch** Row 1 to last 3 clusters, dc in sp between next 2 clusters, turn.

**Next Row (WS):** SI st in first cluster, ch 3, continue to work **Dew Drop Stitch** Row 2.

Continue to work on the remaining sts until the piece measures 7 (8, 9, 10, 11)" from Body Division. Cut yarn and fasten off.

# **Lower Bodice**

With US Size E-4 (3.5mm), RS facing, sl st into the corner of the Upper Bodice.

**Row 1 (RS):** Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), work 2 dc in each ch-2 sp and 1 dc in each dc, dc in top of turning ch, turn – 150 (174, 186, 210, 222) dc.

Row 2 (WS): Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 1 dc in each dc to end, turn.

Rep Row 2 – 4 times more. Switch to larger hk.

Foundation Row (WS): Ch 3, \*sk next 2 dc, 3 dc in next dc; rep from \* to last 3 dc, sk next 2 dc, 1 dc in last dc, turn. Work in **Dew Drop Stitch** for 2". Switch to US Size I-9 (5.5mm) hk and work another 4½", end having just worked Row 1 of patt.

# **Edging**

**Next Row:** Ch 3, \*7 dc in top of next cluster, sk next cluster; rep from \* to end, 1 dc in 3<sup>rd</sup> ch. Cut yarn and fasten off.

# Sleeves (Make 2)

Sew shoulder seams. With RS facing, US Size H-8 (5mm), and beg at the center of the unworked patterns denoting the underarm, work 72 (81, 90, 108, 117) sc evenly spaced around the armhole. Turn. Foundation Row (WS): Ch 3, \*sk next 2 sc, 3 dc in next sc; rep from \* to last 3 dc, sk next 2 sc, 1 dc in last dc, turn. Work in Dew Drop Stitch for 6", end having just worked Row 2 of patt. Switch to US Size E-4 (3.5mm) hk. Work 1 row dc, 1 row sc. Fasten off. Sew sleeve seam.

## Neckband

With US Size E-4 (3.5mm), beg at the right front edge, work 18 dc to the shoulder seam, 32, (33, 34, 35, 36) dc across the back and 16 dc to the top of the left front. Work 1 more row of dc and fasten off.



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# **Front Bands**

With US Size E-4 (3.5mm), beg at the top of the left front, work 2 dc in each ch-3 sp and 1 dc in each st down to the hem. Work another row of dc and 1 row of sc. Fasten off.

Mark positions for 5 buttons on the front bandstarting 1" from the top and bottom of the band. Beg at the bottom of the right front, work 2 dc in each ch-3 sp and 1 dc in each st up the front. Work the next row in dc making buttonholes opposite the markers on the left front by working a ch 1 and sk 1 dc when reaching a button hole position.

Work a row of sc and fasten off. Sew on buttons.

# **FINISHING**

Weave in all ends.

# **Abbreviations**

beg begin(ning)
ch chain

**dc** double crochet

**dc3tog** double crochet three stitches together (2 sts decreased)

hk hook loop lp pattern patt repeat rep RS right side single crochet SC sk skip sl st slip stitch sp space st(s) stitch(es)

ws wrong side



