

# Flower Cardigan

LT1430

Easy 

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Directions are for size 18 months. Changes for sizes 2 and 4 years are in parentheses.

TLC® “Wiggles™”, Art. E518 (3.5 ounce/250 yard ball): 2 (2, 3) Balls No. 423 Cherry CA, 1 ball each No. 209 Orange CB, No. 727 Green CC, and No. 158 Yellow CD.

**Crochet Hook:** 4 mm [US G-6].

Yarn needle; stitch markers; five  $\frac{5}{8}$ " buttons; sewing needle and thread.

**GAUGE:** 15 sts = 4"; 11 rows = 4" in hdc. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

**To Fit Chest:** 21 (22, 24)".

**Finished Chest:** 23½ (24½, 27½)" – buttoned.

## SPECIAL ABBREVIATION:

**Dec** = yo and draw up a lp in next st, draw up a lp in next st, yo and draw through all 4 lps on hook.

**NOTE:** Ch 2 turning chain does **not** count as a stitch.

**BODY (Worked in one piece to armholes):** With CB, ch 89 (93, 103). **Row 1 (RS):** Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 87 (91, 101) sts. **Row 2:** Ch 2, hdc in each st across; turn. Rep Row 2 4 (4, 6) more times. With CC, rep Row 2. With CA, rep Row 2 until 5½ (6½, 8)" from beg, end WS row.

**Right Front:** Ch 2, hdc in first 19 (20, 22) sts, **turn.** **Shape Armhole:** Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 3 rows – 16 (17, 19) sts. Work even until armhole measures 2½ (3, 3½)", end RS row. **Shape Neck:** Ch 2, hdc in next 10 (11, 13) sts; **turn.** Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 3 (4, 4) rows – 7 (7, 9) sts. Work 1 (0, 2) rows even. Fasten off.

**Back:** With RS facing, skip next 6 (6, 7) sts; join CA in next st; ch 2, hdc in same st as joining, hdc in next 36 (38, 42) sts; **turn** – 37 (39, 43) sts. **Shape Armholes:** Dec 1 st at each end of next 3 rows – 31 (33, 37) sts. Work even until armhole measures 1 row less than Right Front, end RS row. **Divide for Back Neck:** Ch 2, hdc in next 6 (6, 8) sts, dec. Fasten off. Skip center 15 (17, 17) sts; join CA in next st; ch 2, dec, hdc in last 6 (6, 8) sts. Fasten off.

**Left Front:** With RS facing, skip next 6 (6, 7) sts; join CA in next st; ch 2, hdc in same st and in each st across; turn – 19 (20, 22) sts. Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 3 rows – 16 (17, 19) sts. Work even until armhole measures 2½ (3, 3½)", end RS row. **Shape Neck:** Sl st in first 7 sts, ch 2, hdc in same st as last sl st, hdc in each st across; turn – 10 (11, 13) sts. Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 3 (4, 4) rows – 7 (7, 9) sts. Work 1 (0, 2) rows even. Fasten off.

**SLEEVES:** With CA, ch 28 (28, 30). **Row 1 (RS):** Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 26 (26, 28) sts. Work in rows of hdc, shaping sides by inc 1 st each end of 5th row, then every 4th row until there are 34 (36, 40) sts. Work even until 8 (9, 11)" from beg, end WS row. **Shape Cap:** Sl st in first 4 sts, ch 2, hdc in same st as last sl st, hdc in each st to last 3 sts; **turn** – 28 (30, 34) sts. Dec 1 st at each end of next 5 (5, 6) rows – 18 (20, 22) sts. **Next 1 (2, 2) Row(s):** Ch 2, [dec] twice, hdc in each st to last 4 sts, [dec] twice; turn – 14 (12, 14) sts. Fasten off.

**FINISHING:** Sew shoulder and sleeve seams. Set in sleeves. **Edging:** Mark positions for 5 buttonholes along right front edge. With RS facing and **matching colors to garment**, join CB at lower corner of Right Front; ch 1, sc up right edge, 3 sc in corner, sc around neck, 3 sc in corner, sc down left edge; do NOT turn. **Next Row:** Working from LEFT to RIGHT and matching colors as before, work Reverse sc in each sc to first marker, [ch 2, skip next 2 sc, Reverse sc to next marker] 4 times, ch 2, skip next 2 sc, Reverse sc in each sc to end. Fasten off. Sew buttons to left front.

**Flower-Rnd 1:** With CA, ch 2; 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with sl st in first sc. **Rnd 2:** Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around; join – 12 sc. Fasten off. **First Petal-Row 1:** Join CD in front lp of any sc; ch 1, 2 sc in same sc, 2 sc in next sc; **turn** – 4 sc. **Rows 2 and 3:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across; turn. **Row 4:** Ch 1; draw up a lp in each of next 2 sc, yo and draw through all 3 lps on hook – sc2tog made; sc2tog over last 2 sc. Fasten off.

**Second to Sixth Petals:** Join CD with sl st in front lp of next sc of Rnd 2; ch 1, 2 sc in same sc, 2 sc in next sc; **turn** – 4 sc.

Complete as for First Petal. Sew to Right Front.

**Leaf (Make 2):** With CC, ch 7; sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 ch, hdc in next ch, 3 sc in last ch, working on opposite side of ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 ch, hdc in next ch, sc in last ch; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off. Sew Leaves to Left Front.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** beg = beginning; CA, CB, CC, CD = Colors A, B, C, D; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; dec = decrease; hdc = half double crochet; inc = increase; lp(s) = loop (s); mm = millimeters; RS = right side; rep = repeat; sc = single crochet; sl = slip; st(s) = stitch (es); tog = together; WS = wrong side; yo = yarn over; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

