

Summer Breeze

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★★ *Intermediate experience required.*

Directions are for size S; changes for sizes M, L, XL, and XXL are in parentheses.

AUNT LYDIA'S "Classic Crochet" size 10 thread, Art. 154, 100% mercerized cotton (300, 350 and 400 yard balls).

Amount: 4 (4, 5, 5, 6) Balls No. 1 White.

Steel Crochet Hook: 1.75mm [US 4].

Seven $\frac{3}{8}$ " buttons; sewing needle and thread; tapestry needle.

GAUGE: 32 sts = 4"; 14 rows = 4". **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

To Fit Bust: 30-32 (34-36, 38-40, 42-44, 46-48)".
Finished Bust: 39 (42, 45, 48, 51)" – buttoned.

Gauge Swatch: Ch 46. Work 14 rows in pat over 43 sts. Swatch should measure approximately $5\frac{1}{8}$ " wide by 4" long.

BODY (Made in one piece to armholes): Ch 310 (334, 358, 382, 406).

Row 1 (Right Side): Dc in 6th ch from hook, * ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next ch; rep from * across; turn – 307 (331, 355, 379, 403) sts.

Rows 2 and 3: Ch 4, skip first dc and first sp, dc in next dc, * ch 1, dc in next dc; rep from * across to last sp; skip next ch, dc in next ch; turn.

Row 4: Ch 4, skip first dc and first st, * [dc in next dc, ch 1] twice **, [dc in next dc, dc in next sp] 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 1; rep from * to last sp, end at **; dc in 3rd ch of ch-4; turn.

Rows 5 and 6: Ch 4, skip first dc and first sp, * [dc in next dc, ch 1] twice **, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1; rep from * to last sp, end at **; dc in 3rd ch of ch-4; turn.

Row 7: Ch 4, skip first dc and first sp, * dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next sp or dc; rep from * to last st; dc in 3rd ch of ch-4; turn.

Rep Rows 2-7 for pat until 11 (12, 12½, 13¼, 14½)" from beg, end wrong side row.

Divide-RIGHT FRONT: Keeping continuity of pat, work across first 63 (69, 75, 81, 87) sts; **turn.**

NOTE: Each sp counts as a st; the ch-4 at beg of rows counts as 2 sts (a sp and a dc). Work even for 2", end wrong side row.

Shape Front Slope: Ch 3, skip first 2 sts, dc in next dc – **beg dec** made; work in pat across; turn – 2 sts dec.

Next Row: Work to last 3 sts; *holding back last lp on hook, dc in next dc, skip next st or sp, tr in last st, yo and draw through all 3 lps on hook – end dec* made; turn – 2 sts dec.

Rep last 2 rows until 33 (39, 45, 51, 57) sts rem. Work even until 9 (9, 9½, 9½, 9½)" above division. Fasten off.

BACK: With right side facing, skip next 25 sts of last long row, attach thread and work in pat across next 131 (143, 155, 167, 179) sts; **turn.** Work even in pat until same length as front to shoulder. Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT: With right side facing, skip next 25 sts of last long row, attach thread and work in pat across rem 63 (69, 75, 81, 87) sts. Complete to correspond to right front, reversing shaping.

SLEEVES: Ch 118. Work in pat same as for body over 115 sts, shaping sides by inc 1 st each end of 5th row, then every row until there are 143 (143, 151, 151, 151) sts, working added sts into pat. Work even until 5½ (5½, 6½, 6½, 6½)" from beg. Mark each end of last row. Work even for 1½" above markers. Fasten off.

FINISHING: Sew shoulder seams. Sew sleeve seams to markers. Set in sleeves, sewing rows above markers to skipped sts at armhole.

Sleeve Edging: With right side facing, attach thread at seam and work 2 rnds sc, joining each rnd. **Picot Rnd:** Ch 1, sc in first sc; * ch 3, sl st in top and side lps of last sc – **picot** made; sc in next 5 sc; rep from * around, adjusting at end of rnd as necessary; join. Fasten off.

Body Edging: With right side facing, attach thread at lower edge under armhole area and work 1 rnd sc around entire edge (lower edge, fronts, neck), taking care to keep work flat; join to first sc. Mark positions for 7 buttonholes along right front edge, the first ½" above lower edge, the last ½" below beg of front slope shaping and 5 more evenly spaced between.

Buttonhole Rnd: Ch 1, [sc to marker, ch 3, skip next 3 sc] 7 times, sc to end of rnd; join. Work Picot Rnd same as for sleeves, working sc in each ch of ch-3 at each buttonhole.

Sew buttons to opposite band to correspond to buttonholes.

ABBREVIATIONS: **beg** = begin(ning); **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **dec** = decrease; **inc** = increase; **pat** = pattern; **rem** = remaining; **rep** = repeat; **sc** = single crochet; **sl st** = slip stitch; **sp(s)** = space(s); **tr** = treble crochet; **yo** = yarn over; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; [] = work directions given in brackets the number of times specified.

