

SHELL PATT TOP



Size: 12

Skill Level: advanced

How much yarn:

g 200 of Sugar yarn, in green shade no. 7652 **Crochet hooks:** A 3.75 mm (no. 9) hook

A 4.00 mm (no. 8) hook A 4.50 mm (no. 7) hook

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

STITCHES

Chain (ch) - Slip stitch (ss) - Double crochet (dc) Half treble crochet (htr) - Treble crochet (tr) SHELL PATT: (work over a multiple of 9 sts)

1st round: * 1 dc into next st, 3 ch, miss 2 sts, 1 tr into each of next 3 sts, 3 ch, miss 2 sts, 1 dc into next st, 3 ch; rep from * ending with 1 ss into first dc. 2nd round: 1 ss into each of first 3 sts, 3 ch (to count as first tr), * 1 tr into each of next 3 tr, 1 tr into foll 3ch-arch, 3 ch, 1 dc into next 3ch-arch, 3 ch, 1 tr into foll 3ch-arch; rep from * all round, omitting last tr at end of last rep, end with 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. 3rd round: 1 ss into each of first 2 sts, into next tr work: 1 ss, 3 ch (to count as first tr), 2 tr, 3 ch and 3 tr; * 3 ch, miss two 3-ch arches and next 2 tr; (3 tr, 3 ch and 3 tr) into next tr; rep from * all round ending with 3 ch, miss two 3-ch arches and work 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. 4th round: 1 ss into each of first 3 sts, into next 3ch-arch work: 1 ss, 5 ch (3 ch to count as tr and 2 ch-sp), 1 tr and (2 ch, 1 tr) 3 times into same arch; * 3 ch, miss next 3ch-arch, 1 tr and (2 ch, tr) 4 times into foll 3ch-arch; rep from * all round ending with 3 ch, miss 3-ch arch and work 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. 5th round: 1 ss into next arch, 2 ch (to count 1 tr incomplete) and 2 tr tog (= work 1 tr but wait with last pull through, work another tr but on last pull through, pull thread through all 3 loops on the hook) into same arch, 2 ch, 3 tr tog (= work 1 tr but wait with last pull through, work another tr but on last pull through, work a third tr but on last pull through, pull thread through all 4 loops on the hook) into next arch, 2 ch, 3 tr tog into foll arch, 2 ch, 3 tr tog into next arch, * 2 ch, miss next 3ch-arch, 3 tr tog into foll arch, (2 ch, 3 tr tog into next arch) 3 times; rep from * all round ending with 2 ch, miss 3-ch arch and work 1 ss into 2nd of first 2 ch. 6th round: 1 ss into top of 2tr tog, 1 ss into 1st ch of next arch, 3 ch (to count as tr), * 2 ch, 1 tr into next arch, 2 ch, 1 tr into foll arch, 2 ch, miss next 2ch-sp, 1 tr into next arch; rep from * all around omitting last tr at end of last rep; end with 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. **7th round:** 3 ch (to count as first tr), * 2 tr into next 2ch-arch, 1 tr into next tr; rep from * all around omitting last tr at end of last rep; end with 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. 8th round: rep from 1st round.

TENSIONS

22 sts and 10 rows measure 10 cm square over shell patt with 3.75 mm (no. 7) hook.

22 sts and 16 rows measure 10 cm square over half treble stitch with 3.75 mm (no. 7) hook

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: work in one piece; start from upper part, composed of 2 cups and side stripes.

Cups: for first cup, with 3.75 mm (no. 9) crochet and green yarn make 14 ch 1st row: 1 htr into 3rd ch from hook, 1 htr into each of next 10 ch, 4 htr into next ch (shell made), cont to work on opposite side of starting ch and work 1 htr into each of 12 ch; turn. 2nd row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 13 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 13 sts, turn. 3rd row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 14 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 15 sts, turn. 4th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 16 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 16 sts, turn. 5th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 17 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 18 sts, turn. 6th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 19 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 19 sts, turn. 7th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 20 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 21 sts, turn. 8th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 22 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 22 sts, turn. 9th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 23 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 24 sts, turn. 10th row: 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 25 sts, 4 htr (shell) into next st, 1 htr into each of next 25 sts – there are 55 sts. Fasten off. Work another cup as previous.

Left side stripe: work across side cup as follows: **1st row:** with 3.75 mm (no. 9) crochet work on left side of 1st cup and, starting at base, join yarn with a ss, 2 ch (to count as first htr), 1 htr into each of next 11 sts, 2 htr tog into next 2 sts (= work 1 htr into next st but wait with last pull through, work 1 htr into foll st but on last pull through, pull thread through all loops on the hook – 1 dec made), turn. **2nd row:** 2 ch (count as 1st half treble), 1 htr into each of next 12 sts, turn. Cont to work htr, dec 1 st on left side every alt row twice: 11 sts remain. Cont to work htr on rem 11 sts. When work measures 26cm from beg, fasten off.

Right side stripe: work as Left side stripe, across right side of 2nd cup. These stripes are alike because in forward-and-back rows there is not RS or WS side. The cups are wearable on either side.

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Upper part Finishing: first of all, join stripe ends at Back centre, as follows: overlap two cups and stripes, matching all edges, then work a row of ss on WS, working into 2 corresponding sts on either stripe each time. With 3.75 mm (no. 9) crochet work across side edges of cups and upper side of stripe as follows: 1st row: starting from left side of right cup join yarn with 1 ss into first st, 3 ch (to count as first tr), 1 tr into each of next 4 sts, * 3 ch, miss 3 sts, 1 dc into next st, 3 ch, miss 3 sts, 1 tr into each of next 5 sts *; rep from * to * twice more, until reaching side stripe beg (inc 1 st at cup top, working 2 tr into same st), across upper edge of stripe work as follows: ** 3 ch, miss 2 row ends of stripe, 1 dc into htr side on next row, 3 ch, miss 2 row ends of stripe, 1 tr into htr side on next 5 rows **, rep from ** to ** 9 more times, working more or less sts to repeat 10 times in total, as given, then cont as follows: 3 ch, miss 2 row ends of stripe, 3 ch, miss 3 sts on left cup, 1 tr into each of next 5 sts, rep from * to * 3 more times (inc 1 st at cup top, working 2 tr into same st). There are 16 reps in total, turn. **2nd row:** 1 dc into each of first 5 tr, * 3 ch, miss two 3-ch arches, 1 tr into each of next 2 tr, (1 tr, 3 ch, 1 tr) into next tr, 1 tr into each of next 2 tr; rep from * 15 more times, 3 ch, miss two 3-ch arches, 1 dc into each of next 5 tr. Do not cut yarn, join the 5 dc just made to base of 2 cups working a row in ss on WS, working into 2 corresponding sts on either side each time. Now work all around. 3rd round: 1 ss into joining st between cups, 2 ch, * 1 dc into next 3ch-arch, 3 ch, into next 3ch-arch work: 1 tr and (2 ch, 1 tr) 4 times, 3 ch; rep from * 15 more times, ending with 2 ch (instead of 3) and 1 ss into first ss. 4th round: 1 ss into ss, 2 ch, miss 2 arches, * (into next 2ch-arch work 3 tr tog and 2 ch) 4 times, miss two 3-ch arches; rep from * 14 more times, (into next 2ch-arch work 3 tr tog and 2 ch) 4 times, 1 ss into first ss. Fasten off.

Lower Part Finishing: with 3.75 mm (no. 9) crochet work across lower edge of Upper Part. Work in Shell patt as follows: 1st round: *1 dc into htr side on next row, 3 ch, miss htr on next row, 1 tr into side of each 3 next htr (each half treble corresponds to a row), 3 ch, miss htr on next row, 1 dc into htr side on next row, 3 ch; rep from * 17 more times ending with a ss into first dc (work more or less sts to obtain 18 motifs). Cont to work in Shell patt. When 13 rounds are worked, change to 4.00 mm (no. 8) hook. Work other 7 rounds in Shell patt, then change to 4.50 mm (no. 7) hook. When 26 rounds in total are worked (approx 30 cm), fasten off.

Shoulder straps: (make 2) for first strap, with 3.75 mm (no. 9) crochet, join yarn with a ss to first of 5 sts on top of a cup, 3 ch (to count as first tr), 1 tr into each of next 4 sts, turn (there are 5 trebles). Cont to work in treble stitch, working 3 ch instead of first tr at beg of each row. When Strap measures 40 cm from beg, remove hook. Don't cut yarn (yarn will be used to join Strap to Back). Work second strap in the same manner. Join end of each Strap to centre 5 sts of shells at sides of two centre shells on Back (join Strap to Back sts as follows: work ss, inserting hook into 2 corresponding sts – on Strap and on Back – every time).

