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designed by Treva McCain

TECHNIQUE USED: Crochet



SIZES: S (M, L, 1X)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:

Bust 40 (44, 48, 52)"/101.5 (112, 122, 132) cm

Length 30 (31, 32, 33)"/76 (78.5, 81.5, 84) cm

Note: Tunic provides a generous, relaxed fit. The bust narrows when worn, and elastic can be applied under the arms for a snugger fit.

MATERIALS

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Caron International's Simply Soft Heather

(100% Acrylic):

15 (20, 20, 25) oz (B)

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Caron International's Simply Soft

(100% Acrylic):

6 oz (A).

Shown in: #9707 Dark Sage (A); #9503 Woodland Heather (B)

One size US J-10 (6 mm), or size to obtain gauge

One size US H-8 (5 mm), or size to obtain gauge (for yoke only)

3 buttons—1/2"/13mm diameter



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Stitch markers
 Straight pins
 Elastic cord—two 9"/23cm pieces (optional)
 Beading needle
 Sewing thread to match yoke
 Assorted E or seed beads
 Yarn needle

GAUGE

In Thistle Stitch, 14 sts and 8 rows = 4"/10cm, using J-10 (6 mm) hook;
 In single crochet, 16 sts and 16 rows = 4"/10cm, using H-8 (5 mm) hook.

STITCHES USED

Chain (ch), double crochet (dc), single crochet (sc), slip stitch (sl st).

SPECIAL TERMS

beg-puff: Yarn over, insert hook in indicated stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

puff: Yarn over, insert hook in indicated stitch and draw up a loop, [yarn over, insert hook in *same* st and draw up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 7 loops on hook.

shell: 5 dc in indicated stitch or space.

PATTERN STITCH

Thistle Stitch (multiple of 7 sts)

Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), 3 dc in same st as join, sk next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, sk next 2 sts, *5 dc (shell made) in next st, sk next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, sk next 2 sts; repeat from * around, dc in same st as first dc; join with sl st in top of beginning ch.

Note: In next round work a shell in the sp between the 2 dc of each 2-dc group, and work 2 dc over each shell (one dc in the sp between the 2nd and 3rd dc of the shell and one dc in the sp between the 3rd and 4th dc of the shell).

Round 2: Sl st into sp between beginning ch and next dc, ch 3, dc in sp between next 2 dc, sk next 3 dc, shell in sp before next dc, sk next 3 dc, *dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc, sk next 3 dc, 5 dc in sp before next dc, sk next 3 dc; repeat from * around; join with sl st in top of beginning ch.

Round 3: (Sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) into sp between beginning ch and next dc, sk next 3 dc, dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc, sk next 3 dc, *shell in sp before next dc, sk next 3 dc, dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc, sk next 3 dc; repeat from * around, dc in same sp as first dc; join with sl st in top of beginning ch.

Repeat Rounds 2 and 3 for Thistle Stitch.

YOKE

Note: Yoke is worked in rows from the neck downwards. Buttonbands are then worked along the side edges of the yoke.

With smaller hook and A, ch 66 (69, 72, 75).

Row 1 (RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—65 (68, 71, 74) sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; repeat from * across, turn—86 (90, 94, 98) sc.

Rows 3 and 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc; repeat from * across, turn—107 (112, 117, 122) sc.

Rows 6 and 7: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc; repeat from * across, turn—128 (134, 140, 146) sc.

Rows 9 and 10: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 11: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from * across, turn—149 (156, 163, 170) sc.

Rows 12 and 13: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 14: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc; repeat from * across, turn—170 (178, 186, 194) sc.

Rows 15 and 16: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 17: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 7 sc; repeat from * across, turn—191 (200, 209, 218) sc.

Rows 18 and 19: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 20: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, do not turn.

Buttonband

Row 1 (WS): Pivot to work in ends of rows across side edge, work 3 sc in corner, work 21 more sc evenly spaced across side edge, turn—24 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in next 24 sc, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first 23 sc, 3 sc in last sc; pivot to work in opposite side of foundation ch across neck, sc in each ch across, do not turn and do not fasten off.

Buttonhole band

Row 1 (WS): Pivot to work in ends of rows across side edge, 3 sc in corner, work 21 more sc evenly spaced across side edge, turn—24 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first 6 sc, ch 2, sk next 2 sc (buttonhole made), [sc in next 5 sc, ch 2, sk next 2 sc] twice, sc in next 2 sc, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc and ch across.

Fasten off.

BODY

Note: Body is worked in rounds from the lower edge of the yoke downwards. Do not turn at end of rounds.

Pin buttonhole band over buttonband, to hold yoke in a circle.

With larger hook and working through both thicknesses, join B with sc in first row of overlapping bands.

Round 1: Working through both thicknesses, work 2 (1, 2, 1) more sc in ends of overlapping bands, then sc in each sc around yoke; join with sl st in first sc—194 (202, 212, 220) sts.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in first 24 (26, 28, 30) sc (for first half of back), ch 17 (19, 21, 23) (for underarm), sk next 44 (43, 43, 42) sc, sc in next 58 (64,

70, 76) sc (for front), ch 17 (19, 21, 23) (for underarm), sk next 44 (43, 43, 42) sc, sc in last 24 (26, 28, 30) sc (for second half of back); join with sl st in first sc—106 (116, 126, 136) sc and two ch-17 (19, 21, 23) sps (for a total of 140 (154, 168, 182) sts).

Round 3: Working in each sc and ch around, work Round 1 of Thistle Stitch (above)—20 (22, 24, 26) shells.

Continue in Thistle Stitch until piece measures 26 (27, 28, 29)"/66 (68.5, 71, 73.5)cm from beginning, or to 4"/10cm less than desired length. Do not fasten off.

Border

Rounds 1 and 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc.

Round 3: Ch 2, beg-puff in same sc as join, ch 1, sk next sc, *puff in next sc, ch 1, sk next sc; repeat from * around; join with sl st in beg-puff.

Rounds 4–12: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc.

Round 13: Repeat Round 3.

Rounds 14 and 15: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc.

Round 16: Ch 1, sc in same sc as join, sk next 3 sc, 7 dc in next sc, sk next 2 sc, *sc in next sc, sk next 3 sc, 7 dc in next sc, sk next 2 sc; repeat from * around; join with sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

SLEEVE (work 2)

With RS facing and larger hook, join B with sl st in first skipped st in last row of yoke (at armhole).

Row 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc), sk first sc, dc in next sc, sk next 2 (1, 1, 1) sc, [shell in next sc, sk next 2 sc, dc in next 2 sc, sk next 2 sc] 5 times, shell in next sc, sk next 2 (2, 2, 1) sc, dc in last 2 sc, turn.

Row 2: Ch 3, sk first 4 sts, dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc, *sk next 3 dc, shell in sp before next dc, sk next 3 dc, dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc; repeat from * across to last 4 sts, sk next 3 sts, dc in top of turning ch, turn.

Row 3: Ch 3, sk first 5 sts, dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc, *sk next 3 dc, shell in sp before next dc, sk next 3 dc, dc in sp before next dc, dc in sp between next 2 dc; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sk next 4 sts, dc in top of turning ch.

Fasten off. Repeat to work other sleeve.

FINISHING

Armhole Elastic (optional)

Hold one piece of elastic over underarm edge. With larger hook, work across opposite side of ch at underarm, join B with sc in first ch, working over the elastic sc in each ch across. Pull gently on ends of elastic to gather. With sewing needle and thread, sew ends to inside of body. Cut off excess elastic. Repeat along other underarm.

Sew buttons to buttonband opposite buttonholes.

Embroidery

Note: Refer to photograph for guidance.

Flowers

Determine placement of flowers on yoke. Mark center of each flower with a straight pin or other marker. With beading needle and double strand of sewing thread, secure thread on WS of yoke near center of flower, insert needle from WS to RS and draw thread through. String 8 to 9 beads on thread and insert needle, from RS to WS, close to center of flower and draw remaining thread to WS (leave beads on RS forming a loop).

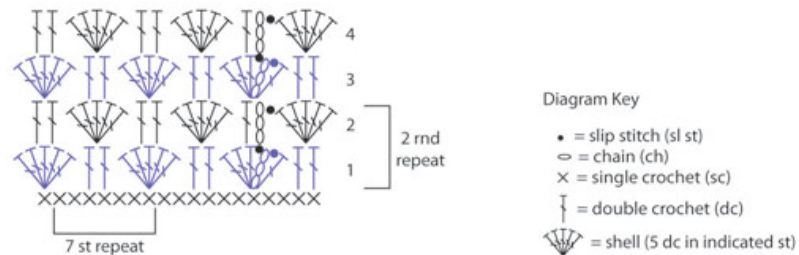
Shape the loop into a petal and tack to yoke in several spots. Repeat this process until you have a five petal flower. Fill in petals with additional beads, stringing them one at a time.

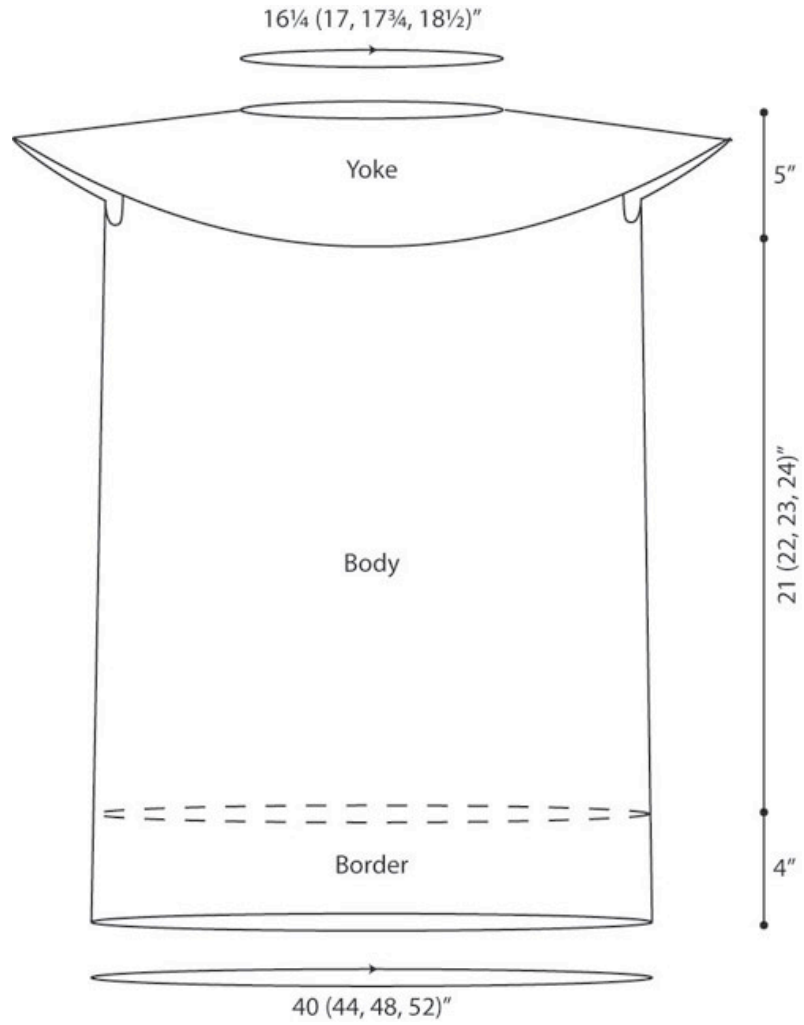
Leaves

Separate a 4-ply strand of yarn into two 2-ply strands. With sewing needle and one 2-ply strand, embroider outline stitch stems and Lazy Daisy stitch leaves.

Weave in all ends.

Thistle Stitch





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