

Desert Cover-Up Top Crochet Pattern

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Skill Level:

- Intermediate. Crochet charts reading skill is not required.

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Sizes:

- Oversized top measures 120 (129, 138, 147, 160.5) cm / 47 ¼ (50 ¾, 54 ¼, 57 7/8, 63 ¼)" in bust circumference and fits sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X) / 80 - 90 (89 - 99, 98 - 108, 107 - 117, 120.5 - 130.5) cm / 31 ½ – 35 3/8 (35 – 39, 38 ¾ – 42 ½, 42 1/8 – 46, 47 3/8 – 51 3/8)" in bust circumference with positive ease 40 - 30 cm or 15 ¾ - 11 ¾ accordingly. Later in the pattern sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X).
- Model is size M / 95 cm / 37 3/8" in bust and hips, wears size 1X/2X with positive ease 50 cm / 19 ¾".

Materials and Tools:

- 390 (420, 470, 500, 560) g / 1186 (1277, 1429, 1520, 1703) yds of fingering weight yarn (choose “yards / meters per 100 g” ratio close to: 304 yds / 277 m / 100 g).

- Prototype is made with [Aunt Lidia's Classic 10](#) cotton crochet thread (400 yds / 365 m / 65.8 g, 100% cotton), DOUBLED to make it fingering weight. You will need 390 (420, 470, 500, 560) g / 2372 (2554, 2858, 3040, 3406) yds of crochet thread size 10.
- Alternatively: [Scheepjes Cotton 8](#) (100% Cotton, fingering/ 4 ply weight/ 50g/ 170m), 390 (420, 470, 500, 560) g. [Affiliated link](#).
- Crochet hook C-2 / 2.75 mm, tapestry needle, stitch marker.

Gauge (UK: tension):

- Doily rounds 1 - 2: 4 cm / 1 5/8"; rounds 1 - 4: 12 cm / 4 3/4" in diameter; completed doily diameter is about 46.5 cm / 18 1/4" measured between tips of the beams.
- Net stitch: 8 rows is about 9 cm / 3 1/2".

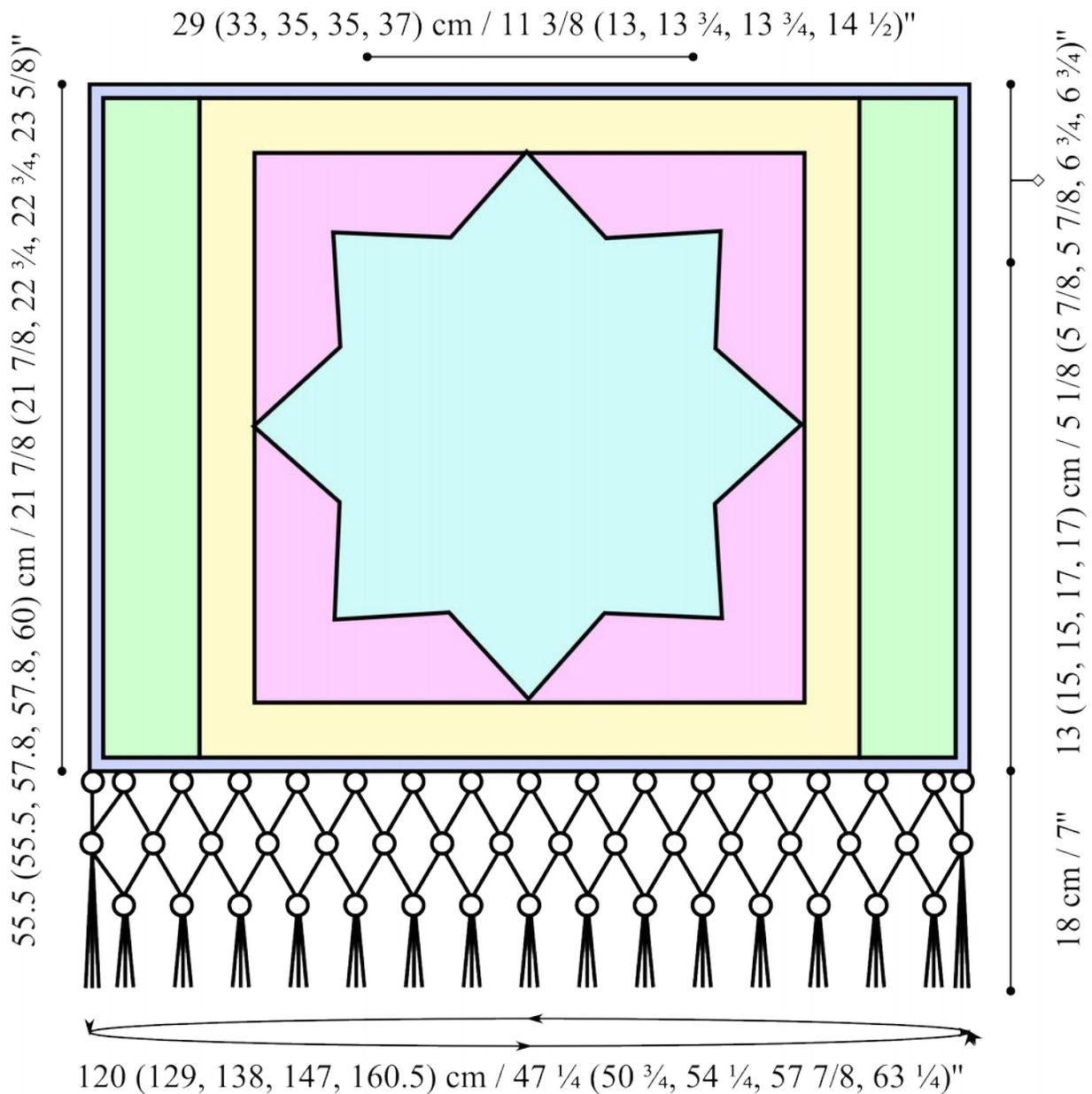
Abbreviations (American crochet terminology):

"	inches	cont	continue	prev	previous
*	rep instructions for single * as directed	dc	double crochet	rem	remain(ing)
...	rep instructions bet **'s as many times as noted after	dec	decrease	rep	repeat
[], { }	rep instructions bet []'s or { }'s as many times as noted after	dtr	double treble	RH	right hand
approx	approximately	FLsc	front loop sc	rnd(s)	round(s)
beg	begin/beginning	FPsc	front post sc	RS	right side
bet	between	g	gram(s)	sc	single crochet
BLsc	back loop sc	hdc	half double crochet	sk	skip
BPsc	back post sc	inc	increase	sl st, ss	slip stitch
ch	chain stitch	LH	left hand	sp(s)	space(s)
ch-# sp	ch-# space	lp(s)	loop(s)	st(s)	stitch(es)
cm	centimeter(s)	m	marker	tog	together
con	connecting	mm	millimeter(s)	tr	treble crochet
		oz	ounce	ttr	triple treble
		p	picot	WS	wrong side
		PU	pick up	yd(s)	yard(s)
		pm	place marker	yo	yarn over
		pr	previous row		

US to UK crochet terminology:

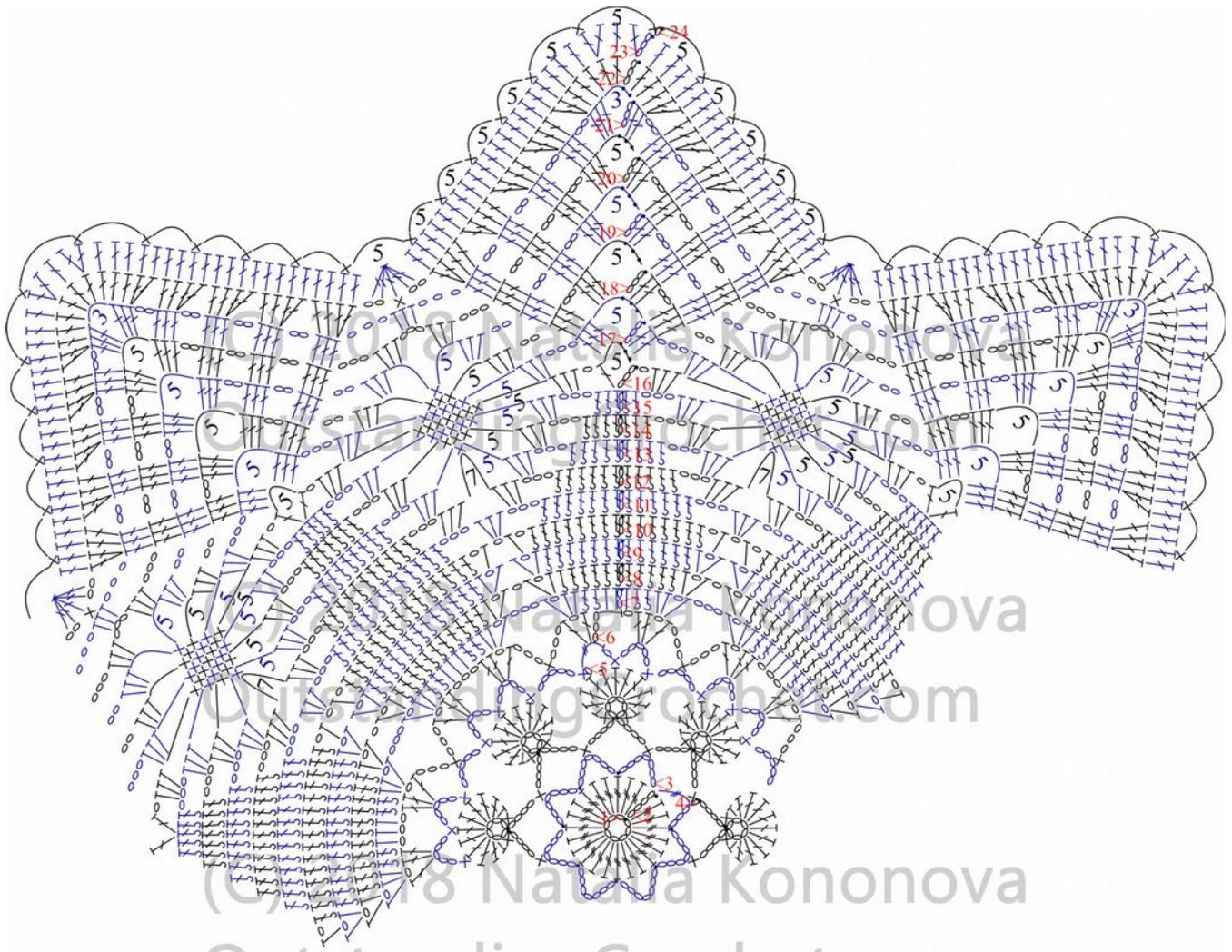
sc = double crochet (dc), hdc = half treble (htr), dc = treble (tr), tr = double treble (dtr), dtr = triple treble (trtr), sk (skip) = miss, gauge = tension, yo = yarn over hook (yoh).

Sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X):



Order of work (front and back are identical, except for last rnd):

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|  1. Doily |  3. Net around square. |  5. Net around front (back). |
|  2. Net corners (make 4). |  4. Right side, left side. |  6. Fringes. |



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Stitch Key:

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| ○ - ch (chain stitch) | ┆ - dc (double crochet) |
| • - sl st (slip stitch) | ┆ - FPdc (front post dc) |
| × - sc (single crochet) | ┆ - tr (treble crochet) |
| ┆ - hdc (half double crochet) | <1 - row, rnd # and beg |
| 5 - ch-5 space | |

Chart 1. Doily.

Front:

Special stitches and abbreviations:

- **Drop (round elements of the doily, made in Rnd 6):** ch 6, sl st in 6th ch from hook, (sc, hdc, 9 dc, hdc, sc) in ch-6 ring, sl st in same 6th ch.
- **FPdc (front post double crochet):** dc made in front post of directed st.
- **dc2inc (increase):** 2 dc in one st.
- **dc5tog (decrease):** 5 dc together.

Doily (same for all sizes), Chart 1:

Rnd 1: ch 8, join in rnd by ss in 1st ch.

Rnd 2: ch 4 (counts as tr), 23 tr in ch-8 ring, ss in 4th ch of beg ch-4.

Rnd 3: [ch 7, sk 2 tr, ss in next tr] x7, ch 3, tr in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from pr.

Rnd 4: ch 1, sc in same sp, [ch 4, ch 6, ss in 6th ch from hook, drop: (sc, hdc, 9 dc, hdc, sc) in ch-6 ring, ss in same 6th ch, ch 4, sc in next ch-7 sp] x8, but omit last sc on last rep, ss in 1st sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 5: join yarn in 7th dc out of 9 from any drop. Ch 1, sc in same st, [ch 5, sc in 3rd dc of next drop (sk sc and hdc), ch 5, sk 1 dc, sc*, ch 5, sk 1 dc, sc] x7, rep from [to *, ch 1, tr in 1st sc.

Rnd 6: ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 1, dc) in same sp, [ch 3, sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, (dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in next ch-5 sp*, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-5 sp] x7, rep from [to *, ch 1, hdc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 7: ch 2 (doesn't count as st throughout Rnd 15), 2 hdc in same sp, FPdc in beg ch-3 from pr, FPdc in dc, (2 hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp, [ch 3, (hdc, ch 1, 2 hdc) in next ch-1 sp, FPdc in each of 2 dc*, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, FPdc in each of 2 dc, (2 hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp] x7, rep from [to *, hdc in next sp, ss in 1st hdc (ignore beg ch-2 throughout Rnd 15).

Rnd 8: ch 2, FPdc in 1st hdc from pr, 5 FPdc, (hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp, [ch 1, (hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp*, 11 FPdc, (hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 5 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 9: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 6 FPdc, (hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp, [(hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp*, 13 FPdc, (hdc, ch 1, hdc) in ch-1 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 6 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 10: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 7 FPdc, ch 1, hdc in ch-1 sp, [ch 1, hdc in ch-1 sp, ch 1*, 15 FPdc, ch 1, hdc in ch-1 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 7 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 11: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 6 FPdc, [ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-1 sp, ch 3, (sk 3 sts: hdc, ch 1, FPdc)*, 13 FPdc] x7, rep from [to *, 6 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 12: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 5 FPdc, [ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 7, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk 1 FPdc*, 11 FPdc] x7, rep from [to *, 5 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 13: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 4 FPdc, ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 5, sc in ch-7 sp, ch 5, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk 1 FPdc*, 9 FPdc] x7, rep from [to *, 4 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 14: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 3 FPdc, [ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 5, sc in ch-5 sp, sc in sc, sc in ch-5 sp, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, sk 1 FPdc*, 7FPdc] x7, rep from [to *, 3 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 15: ch 2, FPdc in same st, 2 FPdc, [ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 5, sc in ch-5 sp, 3 sc, sc in ch-5

sp, ch 5, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk 1 FPdc*, 5 FPdc] x7, rep from [to *, 2 FPdc, ss in 1st FPdc.

Rnd 16: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 5, dc in same st, [ch 1, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 5, sc in ch-5 sp, 5 sc, sc in ch-5 sp, ch 5, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 1*, sk 2 FPdc, (dc, ch 5, dc) in next FPdc] x7, rep from [to *, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ss in each of next 3 ch.

Rnd 17: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 5, 3 dc in same ch-5 sp, [ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-5 sp, ch 5, sk 1 sc, 5 sc, ch 5, 3 hdc in next ch-5 sp, ch 3*, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in ch-5 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 2 dc in beg ch-5 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ss in each of next 3 ch.

Rnd 18: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 5, 3 dc in same ch-5 sp, [ch 2, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2, 3 hdc in ch-5 sp, ch 5, sk 1 sc, 3 sc, ch 5, 3 hdc in ch-5 sp, ch 2, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2*, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in ch-5 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 2 dc in beg ch-5 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ss in each of next 3 ch.

Rnd 19: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 5, 3 dc in same ch-5 sp, [{ch 2, dc in each of next 3 dc} x2, ch 2, 3 hdc in ch-5 sp, ch 5, sk 1 sc, sc, ch 5, 3 hdc in next ch-5 sp, ch 2, {dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2} x2*, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in ch-5 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 2 dc in beg ch-5 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ss in each of next 3 ch.

Rnd 20: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 5, 3 dc in same ch-5 sp, [{ch 2, dc in each of next 3 dc} x3, ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-5 sp, ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-5 sp, ch 3, {dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2} x3*, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in ch-5 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 2 dc in beg ch-5 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ss in each of next 3 ch.

Rnd 21: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 3, 3 dc in same ch-5 sp, [{ch 2, dc in next 3 dc} x4, ch 3, 3 hdc in ch-3 sp, ch 3, {dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2} x4*, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in ch-5 sp] x7, rep from [to *, 2 dc in beg ch-5 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ss in each of next 2 ch.

Rnd 22: ch 3 (counts as dc), 3 dc in same ch-3 sp, [{dc in each of next 2 dc, dc2inc in dc} x5, ch 2, sk 1 hdc, sc in next hdc, ch 2, {dc2inc in next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc} x5*, 5 dc in ch-3 sp] x7, rep from [to *, dc in beg ch-3 sp, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 23: ch 3 (counts as 1st dc of dc2inc), dc in same st (counts as 2nd dc of dc2inc), dc, dc2inc, dc, [20 dc (dc in every dc up to ch-2 sp), dc5tog (2 legs in ch-2 sp, 1 leg in sc, 2 legs in next ch-2 sp), 21 dc*, {dc2inc, dc} x2] x7, rep from [to *, ss in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 24: ch 1, sc in same st, [{ch 5, sk 3 sts, sc} x11] x8, but omit last sc on last rep, ss in 1st sc. Fasten off.

Net corner (x4, same for all sizes), Chart 2:

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Row 1 (RS): with RS facing, join yarn in middle ch of ch-5 sp (sp to the right from ch-5 sp above dc5tog bet 2 star beams). Dc in next ch-5 sp (bet beams), [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-5 sp] x5, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in ch-5 sp at the tip of beam, rep within []'s x5, ch 4, dc in next ch-5 sp, ss in middle ch of 1st ch-5 sp from next beam (sp to the left from ch-5 sp bet 2 beams; mark sp), 6 ss (in: 2 ch, sc, 3 ch), turn.

Row 2 (WS): dc in marked ch-5 sp, remove m, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] x6, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in ch-5 sp at the tip of beam, rep within []'s x6, ch 4, dc in ch-5 sp (same sp in which yarn was joined), ss in middle ch of next ch-5 sp from Rnd 24 (pm), 6 ss (in: 2 ch, sc, 3 ch), turn.

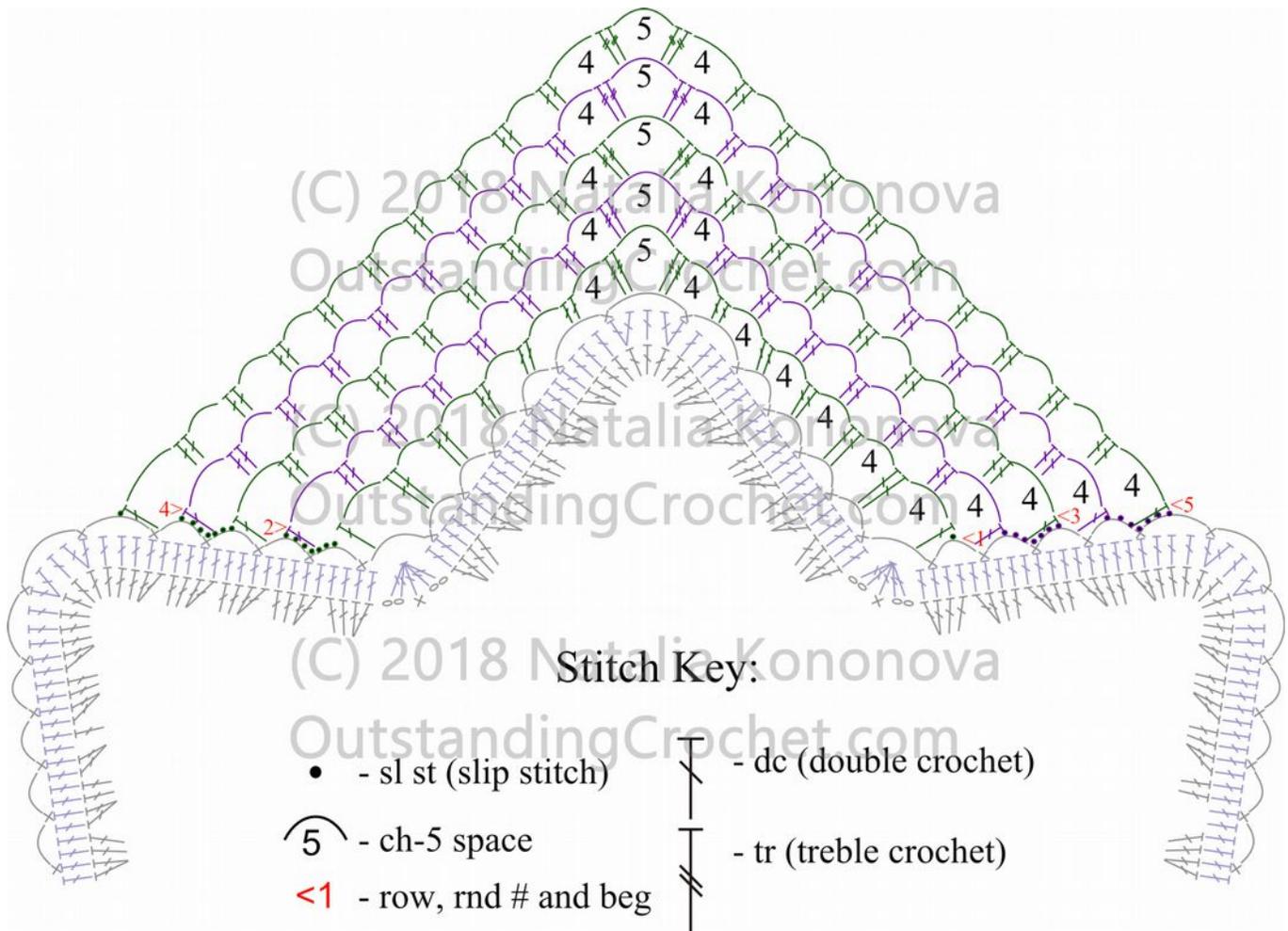


Chart 2. Net corner.

Row 3 (RS): dc in marked ch-5 sp, remove m, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] x7, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in ch-5 sp at the tip of beam, rep within []'s x7, ch 4, dc in ch-5 sp (from which prev row started), ss in middle ch of next ch-5 sp from Rnd 24, 6 ss (in: 2 ch, sc, 3 ch), turn.

Row 4 (WS): rep Row 3, but rep within []'s x8 on both sides of beam.

Row 5 (RS): rep Row 3, but rep within []'s x9 on both sides of beam.

Fasten off. Rep instructions for rem 3 corners. Do not fasten off after 4th corner.

Net around square, Chart 3:

[Step pictures](#)

All sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X):

Note: this part is consisted out of 3 (3, 4, 4, 5) rounds.

Rnd 1 (RS): sl st in next 2 ch and next sc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same sc, ch 4, sk ch-5 at the top of beam, dc2inc in next sc, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to corner, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner

ch-5 sp, *[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next beam top, ch 4, dc2inc in sc before beam top ch-5 sp, ch 4, sk ch-5, dc2inc in next sc, rep bet []'s to corner, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp, rep from * 2 more times, rep bet []'s to beg, (ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3) – counts as ch-4 sp.

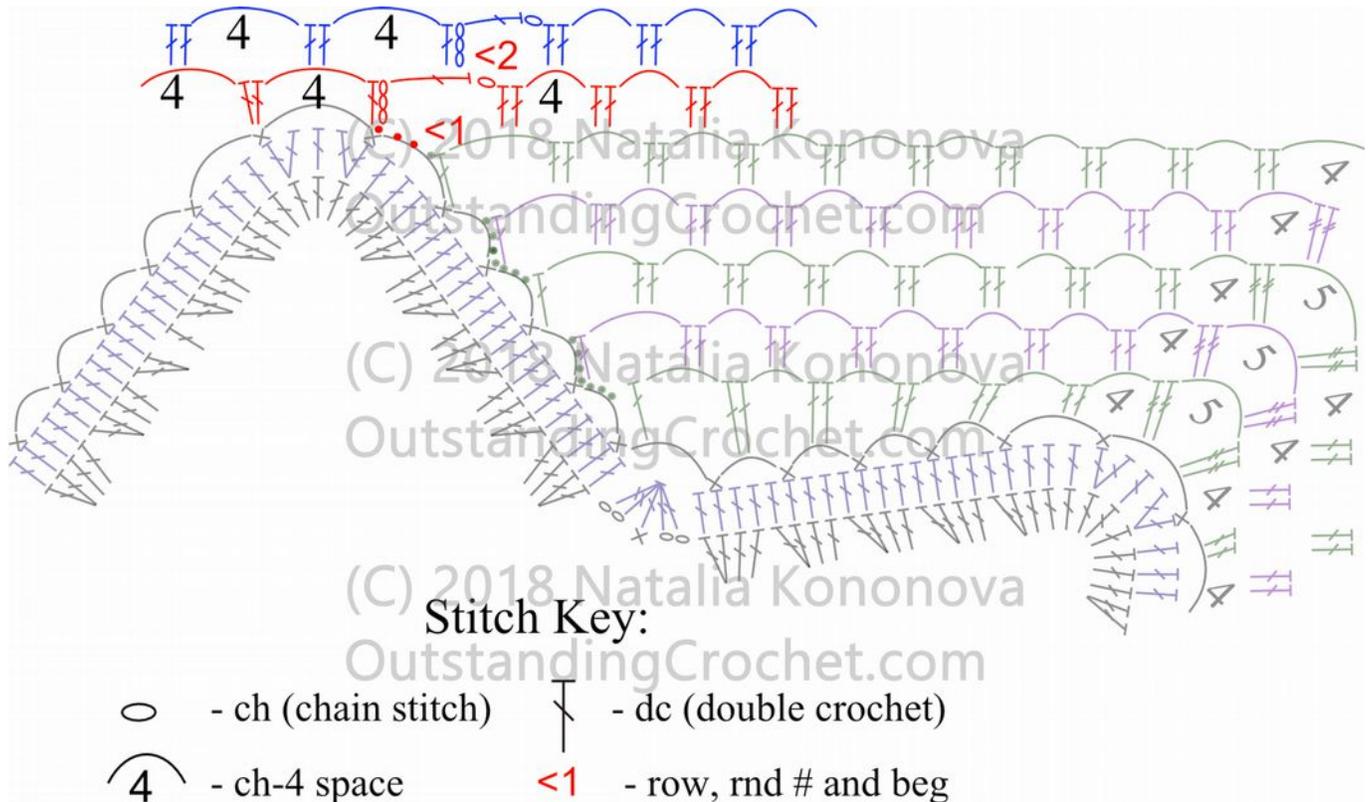


Chart 3. Net around square.

Rnd 2 (RS): ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same sp, *[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to corner, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp, rep from * 3 more times, rep bet []'s to beg, ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 3 (RS): rep Rnd 2, **with exception for sizes S and M:** instead of “ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 “ finish rnd with ch 4, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off (only sizes S an M).

Sizes L, 1X/2X, 3X only:

Rnd 4 (RS): rep Rnd 2, **with exception for sizes L and 1X/2X:** instead of “ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 “ finish rnd with ch 4, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off (only sizes L and 1X/2X).

Size 3X only:

Rnd 5 (RS): rep Rnd 2, but instead of “ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 “ finish rnd with ch 4, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

Right side:

[Step pictures](#)

All sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X):

Note: this part is consisted out of 1 (3, 5, 7, 9) rows.

Size S only:

Row 1 (RS): facing RS join yarn in middle ch of any corner ch-5 sp – pm to mark as upper right corner, *ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 2, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner ch-5 sp*, ch 5, sl st in middle ch of corner ch-5. Fasten off.

Sizes M, L, 1X/2X, 3X only:

Row 1 (RS): facing RS join yarn in middle ch of any corner ch-5 sp – pm to mark as upper right corner, *ch 4 (counts as tr), ch 5, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner ch-5 sp*, ch 5, tr in middle ch of corner ch-5, turn.

Row 2 (WS): ch 4 (counts as tr), ch 1, 2 dc in ch-5 sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to other corner with last 2 dc in corner ch-9 sp, ch 1, tr in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row, turn.

Sizes L, 1X/2X, 3X only:

Row 3 (RS): ch 4 (counts as tr), ch 5, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to last 2 dc, ch 5, tr in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row, turn.

Row 4 (WS): rep Row 2.

Sizes 1X/2X, 3X only:

Row 5 (RS): rep Row 3. **Row 6 (WS):** rep Row 2.

Size 3X only:

Row 7 (RS): rep Row 3. **Row 8 (WS):** rep Row 2.

Sizes M (L, 1X/2X, 3X) only:

Row 3 (5, 7, 9) RS: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 2, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to last 2 dc, ch 5, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row. Fasten off.

Left side:

All sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X):

Facing RS join yarn in middle ch of bottom left corner ch-5 sp (across doily center from marker).

Size S only:

Row 1 (RS): rep Row 1 of right side from beg to last ch 5, but instead of last ch 5 make: ch 1, tr in middle ch of corner ch-5. Do not fasten off.

Sizes M (L, 1X/2X, 3X) only:

Rep Rows 1 – 2 (4, 6, 8).

Row 3 (5, 7, 9) RS: rep last row of right side from beg to last ch-5, but instead of last ch 5 make: ch 1, tr in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row. Do not fasten off.

Net around front:

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Note: this part is consisted out of 1 rnd for all sizes.

Special stitches: tr-sp (treble space; treble, made at the end of right or left side row; work st(s) in treble post as a space).

Size S only:

Rnd 1: ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in same sp, *ch 4, 2 dc in next sp (corner ch-5 of Rnd 3 from *Net around square* part), [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner with last 2 dc in ch-5 corner sp of same Rnd 3, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (beg ch-5 sp of Row 1 from *Right side*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep along side*, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (last ch-5 sp of same Row 1). Rep bet *'s, ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off.

Size M only:

Rnd 1: ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in same sp, *ch 4, dc in (next ch-4 sp, next tr-sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next sp (corner ch-5 of Rnd 3 from *Net around square*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner ch-5 sp of same Rnd 3, ch 4, 2 dc in the sp, ch 4, dc in (next tr-sp, next ch-4 sp), ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (beg ch-5 sp of Row 3 from *Right side*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep along side*, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (last ch-5 sp of same Row 3). Rep bet *'s, ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off.

Size L only:

Rnd 1: ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in same sp, *ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, ch 4, 2 dc in next tr-sp, ch 4, dc in (next ch-4 sp, next tr-sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next sp (corner ch-5 of Rnd 4 from *Net around square*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner sp of same Rnd 4, ch 4, 2 dc in the sp, ch 4, dc in (next ch-4 sp, next tr-sp), [ch 4, 2 dc in next sp] twice, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (beg ch-5 sp of Row 5 from *Right side*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep along side*, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (last ch-5 sp of same Row 5). Rep bet *'s, ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off.

Size 1X/2X only:

Rnd 1: ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in same sp, *ch 4, dc in (next ch-4 sp, next tr-sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, ch 4, dc in (next tr-sp, next ch-4 sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next tr-sp, ch 4, 2 dc in next sp (corner ch-5 of Rnd 4 from *Net around square*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner ch-5 sp of same Rnd 4, ch 4, 2 dc in the sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next sp, ch 4, dc in (next sp, next sp)] twice, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (beg ch-5 sp of Row 7 from *Right side*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep along side*, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (last ch-5 sp of same Row

7). Rep bet *'s, ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off.

Size 3X only:

Rnd 1: ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in same sp, *[ch 4, dc in (next sp, next sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next sp] twice, ch 4, dc in (next sp, next sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next sp (corner ch-5 of Rnd 5 from *Net around square*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner sp of same Rnd 5, ch 4, 2 dc in the sp, [ch 4, dc in (next sp, next sp), ch 4, 2 dc in next sp] twice, ch 4, dc in (next sp, next sp), ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (beg ch-5 sp of Row 9 from *Right side*). [Ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep along side*, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (last ch-5 sp of same Row 9). Rep bet *'s, ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off.

Back:

All sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X):

Rep front except last rnd – *Net around front*.

Net around back and joining to front as you go:

Step pictures

Note: rep from front, but join certain spaces as you go for shoulders and sides. Skip some spaces for a neck opening, arm openings, side slits and a bottom.

Rnd 1: as for front start with ch 4 (counts as tr), tr in same sp, ch 2, join corner ch-5 sp: place front and back WSs tog, make sc from WS in middle ch of adjoining corner ch-5 from front, ch 2, 2 tr in same sp from back.

Follow instructions from front and join next 9 (9, 11, 12, 13) ch-4 sps: ch 2, sc from WS in adjoining ch-4 sp from front, ch 1, 2 dc in directed sp(s) from back for right shoulder.

Then make 10 (12, 13, 13, 14) sps without joining for neck opening, join next 9 (9, 11, 12, 13) sps and corner sp for left shoulder, but after joining 1st space for left shoulder try tunic on and estimate if you'd like bigger or smaller neck opening (consider off-shoulder option), make adjustments if necessary.

Make 5 (6, 6, 7, 7) side sps without joining for left arm opening, join next 13 (12, 14, 13, 15) for left side, but after joining 1st sp estimate if you need bigger or smaller arm opening. Make more or less sps without joining if necessary. Keep in mind that arm opening should have small positive ease, no more than 5 cm / 2" for the best fit. It is safer to make the opening bigger and join more sps by hand-stitching later on.

Finish left side without joining for side slit, complete corner, bottom, another corner, 6 sps of right side for another slit, join next 13 (12, 14, 13, 15) sps for right side. Make the same adjustments as and if you made for the other side.

Make 4 (5, 5, 6, 6) sps without joining for right arm opening, and finish with ch 4, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4 – last sp of right arm opening.

Fringes:

[Step pictures](#)

All sizes S (M, L, 1X/2X, 3X):

Make 32 (34, 38, 42, 44) fringes total for front and back. For each fringe cut 4 pieces of yarn (doubled if using size 10 thread), each 53 cm / 20 7/8" long.

Step 1.

- Wash your top if necessary and steam-block. You don't have to pin the bottom in place at this point yet.
- Find middle of the bottom – 2 dc (2 dc, ch-4 sp, ch-4 sp, 2 dc). Start with the middle ch-4 sp (sizes L, 1X/2X) or ch-4 sp to the right from the middle 2 dc (Sizes S, M, 3X). Fold fringe in half, even ends, insert looped end from RS in ch-4 sp, pull it further so it's big enough to pass ends through. Pass both ends through the loop and tighten.
- Skip 1 ch-4 sp to the right and insert another fringe in next sp, rep to end. Insert last fringe in corner ch-5 sp - 1 sp apart (next sp, 1 sp apart, next sp, 1 sp apart) from prev fringe. Rep to the left from first fringe. Insert last fringe in corner ch-5 sp - next sp (1 sp apart, 1 sp apart, next sp, next sp) from prev fringe.

Step 2.

- Pin knots in place to a cushioned surface (couch, chair, folded rug) if you haven't done it before. Make sure not to over-stretch the bottom. If the surface you are using isn't big enough work by segments.
- Place pins bet each pair of fringes and 3.8 cm / 1 1/2" down from the bottom. Divide each fringe in half. Place tog halves of adjacent fringes, even ends, tie around a pin bet fringes: make a loose knot, grasp the pin with your non-dominant hand and hold it back while tightening a knot with your dominant hand by pulling ends down. Repeat for all other fringes, except bet 2 last fringes at both sides. For those place pin 3.8 cm / 1 1/2" below last fringe knot and tie tog whole last fringe and a half of adjacent fringe.

Step 3.

- Pin 2nd row of knots in place. Rep 2nd part of step 2, placing another row of pins bet fringes and 3.8 cm / 1 1/2" down from the 2nd row of knots. For border fringes tie tog 1/3 of the last fringe and half of adjacent fringe.
- Trim ends to the same length. Unpin.

Finishing, care:

Weave in ends. Wash and steam-block. Hand-wash, spin on high setting, dry flat on a thick towel, steam-block.

Net corner:



Row 1 (RS): join yarn in middle ch of ch-5 sp from last Rnd 24 (one before ch-5 bet any 2 beams).



Dc in next ch-5 sp (one bet beams),



[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-5 sp] 5 times,



ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in ch-5 sp at the top of beam,



rep within []'s 5 times,



ch 4, dc in next ch-5 sp (one bet beams),



sl st in middle ch of next ch-5 sp from next beam,



sl st in next 6 sts with last one in middle ch of next ch-5 sp,



turn.



Row 2 (WS): dc in next ch-5 sp (same sp in which 1st sl st at the end of prev row was made),



[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] 6 times,



ch 4, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in ch-5 sp at the top of beam,



rep within []'s 6 times,



ch 4, dc in ch-5 sp (same sp in which yarn was joined),



sl st in middle ch of next ch-5 sp,



sl st in next 6 sts with last one in middle ch of next ch-5 sp, turn.



Complete Rows 3 – 5 following written instructions.



Finish Row 5 with sl st in middle ch of next ch-5 sp.

Net around square:



Rnd 1 (RS): sl st in next 2 ch and next sc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same sc, ch 4, sk ch-5 at the top of beam, dc2inc in next sc, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to corner,



(2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp, *[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next beam top, ch 4, dc2inc in sc before beam top ch-5 sp, ch 4, sk ch-5, dc2inc in next sc,



rep bet []'s to corner, (2 tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp, rep from * 2 more times, rep bet []'s to beg,



(ch 1, dc in 3rd ch of beg ch-3) – counts as ch-4 sp.



Rnd 2 (RS): ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same sp, *ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp. Follow written instructions to complete required number of rows of net around square for your size.



Right, left side (shown sizes M – 3X only, for size S see last row only):



Row 1 (RS), except size S: facing RS join yarn in middle ch of any corner ch-5 sp – pm to mark as upper right corner, *ch 4 (counts as tr), ch 5, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp,



[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to next corner ch-5 sp*, ch 5, tr in middle ch of corner ch-5, turn.



Row 2 (WS): ch 4 (counts as tr), ch 1, 2 dc in ch-5 sp,



[ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to other corner



with last 2 dc in corner ch-9 sp, ch 1, tr in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row, turn.
Follow written instructions to complete all rem rows.



Last Row 1 (3, 5, 7, 9) RS, right side: ch 3 (counts as dc), ch 2, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp, [ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp] rep to last 2 dc, ch 5, sl st in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row (size S: in middle ch of ch-5 sp). Fasten off. For **left side** instead of last ch 5 make: ch 1, tr in 4th ch of beg ch-4 from prev row (size S: in middle ch of ch-5 sp). Do not fasten off.

Net around front, size 1X/2X (other sizes are similar, but follow written instructions):



Rnd 1: ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 5, 2 tr) in same sp,



*[ch 4, dc in (next ch-4 sp, next tr-sp),



ch 4, 2 dc in next ch-4 sp,



ch 4, dc in (next tr-sp, next ch-4 sp),



ch 4, 2 dc in next tr-sp,



ch 4, 2 dc in next sp (corner ch-5 of Rnd 4 from *Net around square part*). Complete Rnd 1 following written instructions.

Net around back and joining as you go to front:



Rep net around front, but join as you go to net around front. Start with ch 4 (counts as tr), tr in same sp, ch 2, join corner ch-5 sp: place front and back WSs tog,



make sc from WS in middle ch of adjoining corner ch-5 from front, ch 2, 2 tr in same sp from back. Follow instructions and join next 9 (9, 11, 12, 13) ch-4 sps: ch 2, sc from WS in adjoining ch-4 sp from front, ch 1, 2 dc in directed sp(s) from back. Complete by following written instructions.



Right shoulder is completed.



Fringes:



Fold fringe in half, even ends,



insert looped end from RS in ch-4 sp, pull it further so it's big enough to pass ends through.



Pass both ends through loop



and tighten.



Skip 1 ch-4 sp and insert another fringe in next sp,



rep to end.



Pin knots in place to a cushioned surface (couch, chair, folded rug) if you haven't done it before. Make sure not to over-stretch the bottom.



Place pins bet each pair of fringes and 3.8 cm / 1 1/2" down from the bottom. Divide each fringe in half.



Place top halves of adjacent fringes, even ends,



tie around a pin bet fringes: make a loose knot,



grasp the pin with your non-dominant hand and hold it back while tightening the knot with your dominant hand by pulling ends down.





Repeat for all other fringes, except two last fringes on both sides.



Pin 2nd row of knots in place. Rep 2nd part of step 2, placing another row of pins 3.8 cm / 1 1/2" down from the 2nd row of knots.



To finish 1st row of knots place pin 3.8 cm / 1 1/2" below knot of last fringe and tie tog whole last fringe and half of adjacent fringe.



To finish 2nd row of knots place pin bet 2 last fringes and tie tog 1/3 of last fringe and half of adjacent fringe.



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