

COMPLETE CHIC



DRESS

Size: 12 (16)

NOTE: figures in brackets () refer to larger size. Where

only one figure is given this refers to both sizes.

Skill Level: intermediate

How much yarn:

g 350 (400) of Nuovo Jaipur yarn, in dove shade no. 6543 g 100 of Nuovo Jaipur yarn, in ivory shade no. 6537 Needles: Pair of 5.50 mm (no. 5) knitting needles

Crochet hook: A 5.00mm (no. 6) hook **Other items:** a double point needle

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

STITCHES

Using needles: stocking stitch.

Using crochet hook: chain (ch) - slip stitch (ss) - double

crochet (dc) - treble (tr).

TENSION

20 sts and 26 rows measure 10 cm square over st st with 5.50 mm (no. 5) needles.

INSTRUCTIONS

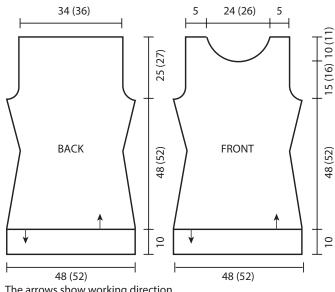
Back: with 5.50 mm (no. 5) needles and dove yarn (main colour) cast on 96 (104) sts. Work 6 rows in st st. Cont in st st, dec 1 st at each end on next row (RS) and every foll 8th row 6 (7) times: 84 (90) sts remain. Cont to work straight. When work measures 27 (30) cm from beg, inc 1 st at each end on next row (RS) and every foll 6th row 6 (7) times: there are 96 (104) sts. When work measures 48 (52) cm from beg, shape armholes. Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 2 rows: 92 (100) sts remain. Next row - Double decs row (RS): K3, slip next 2 sts onto dp needle and hold to back of work, then K tog next st on needle with the corresponding first st of dp needle, K tog next st on needle with the corresponding 2nd st of dp needle (4 sts become 2: Right-side double decs), K to last 7 sts, slip next 2 sts onto dp needle and hold to front of work, then K tog 1st of dp needle with the corresponding next st on needle, Ktog 2nd st of dp needle with the corresponding next st on needle (4 sts become 2: Left-side double decs), K3. Next row (WS): Purl. Rep last 2 rows 5 (6) more times: 68 (72) sts remain. When armholes measure 25 (27) cm, cast off centre 48 (52) sts for neck shaping, then cast off rem 10 sts on each shoulder. No sts remain.

Front: work as Back until armholes measure 15 (16) cm. Shape neck: cast off centre 16 sts. Cont to work separately on each side, casting off on neck edge 2 sts every alternate row 8 (9) times. When armholes measure 25 (27) cm, cast off rem 10 sts on each shoulder.

FINISHING

Sew side and shoulder seams. With 5.00 mm (no. 6) crochet hook and dove yarn work a round of dc all around neck-edge and each armhole. Below this dc round, using same colour work following ch-round (fake chain embroider stitch): keeping yarn on WS of work, insert hook into fabric, from front to back, take yarn and draw a loop on RS, hold loop on hook; * at regular distance, insert hook into fabric, from front to back, take yarn and draw a loop on RS, pull loop through loop on hook; rep from * all around. At end, fasten off.

Lower border: with 5.00 mm (no. 6) crochet hook and ivory yarn work two rounds of ch-round (fake chain embroider stitch) as given for neck-edge and armholes. Then work a round of dc (multiple of 3 sts plus 1) inserting hook at half of lower ch-round sts. Cont to work Border as follows: 1st round of lace patt: 4ch (to count as first tr and 1ch), miss 2 sts, 1 tr into next st, 1 tr into previous missed st, backside of tr just worked; * 1ch, miss 2 sts, 1 tr into next st, 1 tr into previous missed st, backside of tr just worked; rep from * all around, 1 ss into 3ch at beg of round. 2nd round of lace patt: 4ch (to count as first tr and 1ch), miss 1 ch and 1 tr, 1 tr into next tr, 1 tr into previous missed tr, backside of tr just worked; * 1 ch, miss 1 ch and tr, 1 tr into next tr, 1 tr into previous missed tr, backside of tr just worked; rep from * all around, 1 ss into 3ch at beg of round. **3rd-9th rounds:** rep 2nd round. **10th round:** Turn.1 ch, * 1 ss into next tr, 1 tr into foll tr, 1 dc into ch-sp; rep from * all around, ending with a ss into first ch. Fasten off.



The arrows show working direction.

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Centre front stripe: with 5.00 mm (no. 6) crochet hook and ivory yarn make approx 91 ch (a number of ch multiple of 3 plus 1). Turn. 1st row: 4ch (to count as first tr and 1ch), miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into previous missed ch, backside of tr just worked; * 1ch, miss 2 ch, 1 tr into next ch, 1 tr into previous missed ch, backside of tr just worked; rep from * ending with a tr into last ch. Turn. 2nd row: 3ch (to count as first tr), * miss next tr, 1 tr into following tr, 1 tr into previous missed tr, backside of tr just worked, 1 ch, miss ch-sp; rep from * ending with a tr into 3rd ch of previous row. Turn. 3rd row: 1 ch, * 1 dc into ch-sp, 1 ss into next tr, 1 tr into foll tr; rep from * to end of row, then work a row of dc across short side, continue to work from * on opposite side of row, to end. Fasten off. Sew Stripe at centre of Front, from neck-shaping to lower border, as shown in photograph.

BAG

Measures:

Circumference: 90 cm Height: 28 cm

Handles are 19 cm wide **Level:** Intermediate

How much yarn:

g 250 of Nuovo Jaipur yarn, in dove shade no. 7906

Crochet hook: A 4.50mm (no. 7) hook

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

Other items: Lining fabric

Fusible interfacing

Sewing needle and matching thread

STITCHES

Chain (ch) - slip stitch (ss) - double crochet (dc) - half treble (htr).

TENSIONS

14 sts and 14 rows measure 10 cm square over double crochet with 4.50 mm (no. 7) hook and two strands of yarn held together.

14 sts and 11 rows measure 10 cm square over half treble with 4.50 mm (no. 7) hook and two strands of yarn held together.

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: work using 2 strands of yarn held together. For base of bag, with 4.50 mm (no. 7) crochet make 10 ch **Foundation row:** 1dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc into each ch to end, 1 ch, turn. There are 9 sts. **1st row:** 1dc in each st of previous row, 1 ch, turn. Rep this row 39 more times (approx 29 cm): the turning chain is not

counted as a stitch. Then work a round of dc all around the four sides of base as follows: 9 dc on each short side, 3 sts on each corner and 39 sts on each long side. End with a ss into first dc. There are 108 sts. Cont to work for sides (height) of bag. Work other 2 rounds of dc working 3 dc in each centre corner st. There are 124 sts. Then commence with 2 ch (to count as first half treble), miss st at base of 2 ch and work 1 round of htr, inserting hook in back loop only of each st, working 2 htr in each centre corner st. End with a ss into 2nd of first 2 ch. There are 128 sts. Cont to work in rounds of 128 htr (as given) for 25 cm, then create 2 handles as follows: next round: work in htr, missing centre 28 sts on each long side and, instead of these sts, make 41 ch for each handle. Next round: work 1 htr in each st and ch of previous round but dec 1 st at each side of two handles. There are 150 sts. Work other 3 rounds of htr, dec 1 st at each side of two handles. There are 138 sts. At end, fasten off.

FINISHING

Turn bag on WS of work. Cut a piece of fusible interfacing as large as base of bag. Place the main fabric wrong side up on the ironing board; and then place the fusible interfacing on top, with the adhesive side facing down on to the wrong side of the main fabric. Cover the fabric and interfacing with a damp press cloth, and press the iron on to the fabric. Using bag as template, cut 2 pieces (one for base and another for sides) of lining fabric, leaving 1.5cm for seams. Sew lining, then insert it into bag, with wrong sides together, and sew with slip stitch.