Cropped chunky cardigan with buttons

M, to fit bust 37 in (94 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 43¼ in (110 cm) at the bust and about 19½ in (49.5 cm) long
To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm)

Skill
Easy
Basic stitches, simple shaping, a collar and buttons

Yarn
Bulky (5)

Hook
8 mm (US L-11)

Gauge
10 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn: any one color (forest green in the picture), bulky (5) **about 1,175 yd (1,074 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 900 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 130 yd (119 m).

Hook: 8 mm (US L-11), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, stitch markers, 4 wooden buttons, 1¼ in (32 mm) across and sewing thread and a sewing needle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	To fit bust	Yarn, an estimate	Bust (buttoned)	Length	Armhole depth	Sleeve	Sleeve at its fullest	Upper sleeve	Cuff around	Back neck	Depth of the collar
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	about 1,025 yd (937 m)	35¼ in (89.5 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	18½ in (47 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	15¼ in (38.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)
S	33 in (84 cm)	about 1,100 yd (1,006 m)	38½ in (98 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	15¼ in (38.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)
M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**about 1,175 yd (1,074 m)**	**43¼ in (110 cm)**	**19½ in (49.5 cm)**	**8½ in (21.5 cm)**	**20½ in (52 cm)**	**20 in (51 cm)**	**16¾ in (42.5 cm)**	**7½ in (19 cm)**	**7¼ in (18.5 cm)**	**3½ in (9 cm)**
L	41 in (104 cm)	about 1,350 yd (1,234 m)	46½ in (118 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	26½ in (67.5 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)
1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	about 1,450 yd (1,326 m)	51¼ in (130 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	21½ in (54.5 cm)	26½ in (67.5 cm)	19¼ in (49 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)

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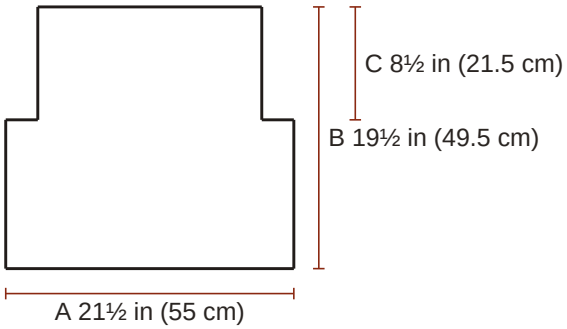
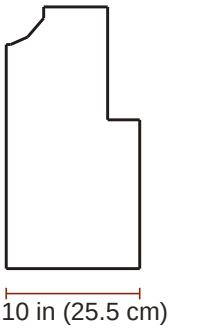
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	about 1,525 yd (1,394 m)	54½ in (138.5 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	26½ in (67.5 cm)	19¼ in (49 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	about 1,600 yd (1,463 m)	59¼ in (150.5 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	25½ in (65 cm)	20¾ in (52.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)

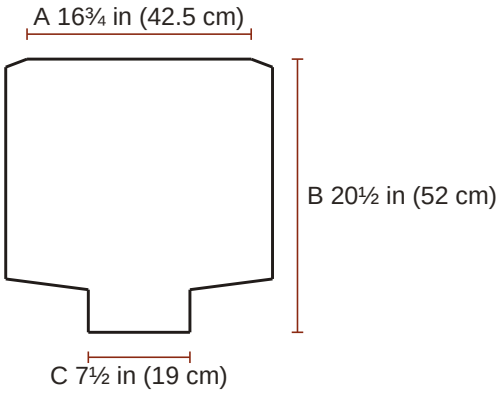
Schematic



Back
A half the bust
B the length
C the armhole



Left front
A half the sleeve at its fullest



Sleeve (make 2)
A the top of the sleeve, opened flat
B the sleeve
C around the cuff

Gauge

10 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 16; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 13 rows of half double crochet on 15 sts, about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) high, and measure 4 in (10 cm) in the middle. Use a larger hook if your swatch is small, a smaller one if it is large. Ribs: worked sideways, 10.5 rows and 10 sts to 4 in (10 cm), so a rib of 7 sts is about 2¾ in (7 cm) deep and a rib of 8 sts is about 3¼ in (8.5 cm) deep. Single crochet rows of the bands: about 11.5 rows to 4 in (10 cm), so 5 rows are about 1¾ in (4.4 cm).

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Notes

- The finished bust is from 5½ in (14 cm) to 6¼ in (16 cm) wider than the body measurement, by the size. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The turning chain (ch 1 for single and half double crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of every row into the first stitch, at the base of the turning chain.
- Odd-numbered rows are right side rows on the body and the sleeves. Mark the right side of each piece with a stitch marker or a scrap of yarn.
- Left and right are those of the person who wears the cardigan.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- To work into a chain space, insert the hook under the whole chain.
- To work into or to sew the end of a row, take two threads at the side of its edge stitch.
- The ribs are worked sideways in single crochet in the back loop (UK: double crochet). The pieces are worked up from a long edge of a rib. The rib draws in: it is a little narrower than the piece above it.
- Sew with the yarn needle and the same yarn: for each seam cut a length about three times as long as the seam.
- In back loop only: insert the hook under the loop of the stitch that is farther from you, and leave the nearer loop free.

Instructions

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ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **st** stitch, **sp** space.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 hdc in next st: both in one stitch. **hdc in next 42 sts**: one in each. **ch-3 sp**: the gap under three chains; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 10 times: work what is inside 10 times in all.
(7 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

sc2tog (single crochet 2 stitches together (UK double crochet 2 together)): Insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, insert the hook in the following stitch and pull up a loop (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

hdc2tog (half double crochet 2 stitches together (UK half treble 2 together)): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop] twice (5 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 5 loops.

Back hem rib

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 8.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(7 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 54**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	(7 sc)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29
30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Back

☐ **Foundation**	Hold a back hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join the yarn at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (54 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(54 hdc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	
☐ **Row 19**	Fasten off and turn. Skip the first 6 sts and join the yarn in the next st; ch 1, and beginning in that st, hdc in next 42 sts, leave the last 6 sts unworked	(42 hdc)
☐ **Rows 20 to 36**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(42 hdc)
	20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36	
☐ **End**	The back measures about 21½ in (54.5 cm) wide and 19½ in (49.5 cm) long, with the rib, and 16¾ in (42.5 cm) across above the armholes. Fasten off.	

Front hem rib: make 2, one for each front

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 8.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(7 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 25**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	(7 sc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Left front

☐ **Foundation**	As worn. On right side rows the side edge is at the beginning of the row and the front edge at its end. The neck begins at row 31. Hold a front hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join the yarn at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (25 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(25 hdc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	
☐ **Row 19**	Fasten off and turn. Skip the first 6 sts and join the yarn in the next st; ch 1, and beginning in that st, hdc in next 19 sts	(19 hdc)
☐ **Rows 20 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(19 hdc)
	20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 15 sts, leave the last 4 sts unworked	(15 hdc)
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across	(14 hdc)
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(13 hdc)
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across	(12 hdc)

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☐ **Rows 35 to 36**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(12 hdc)
35 36		
☐ **End**	The front measures about 10 in (25.5 cm) wide above the hem rib; the button bands, one over the other, add about 1¾ in (4.4 cm) to the bust later (the size list counts it). The 12 sts left are the shoulder. Fasten off.	

Right front

☐ **Foundation**	As worn. On right side rows the front edge is at the beginning of the row and the side edge at its end. The neck begins at row 31. Hold a front hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join the yarn at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (25 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(25 hdc)
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18		
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 19 sts, leave the last 6 sts unworked	(19 hdc)
☐ **Rows 20 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(19 hdc)
20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30		
☐ **Row 31**	Fasten off and turn. Skip the first 4 sts and join the yarn in the next st; ch 1, and beginning in that st, hdc in next 15 sts	(15 hdc)
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(14 hdc)
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across	(13 hdc)
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(12 hdc)
☐ **Rows 35 to 36**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(12 hdc)
35 36		
☐ **End**	The front measures about 10 in (25.5 cm) wide above the hem rib; the button bands, one over the other, add about 1¾ in (4.4 cm) to the bust later (the size list counts it). The 12 sts left are the shoulder. Fasten off.	

Cuff rib: make 2

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(8 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	(8 sc)
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20		
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Sleeve: make 2

☐ **Foundation**	Hold a cuff rib with one long edge at the top. Join the yarn at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (20 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in each of next 20 sts	(40 hdc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; **[**hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 10 times**	(50 hdc)

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☐ **Rows 4 to 27**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(50 hdc)
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27		
☐ **Rows 28 to 31**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(42 hdc)
28 29 30 31		
☐ **Rows 32 to 37**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(42 hdc)
32 33 34 35 36 37		
☐ **End**	The sleeve measures about 20 in (51 cm) across its widest part, 16¾ in (42.5 cm) across the top and 20½ in (52 cm) long, with the cuff. Fasten off.	

Button band

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side facing, join the yarn at the neck end of the left front edge (as worn); ch 1, sc in the end of each of the 30 rows of the straight front edge, with 2 sc in the 4th, 10th, 16th, 22nd and 28th of them (35 sc), from the neck down, and sc in each of the 7 sts along the end of the front hem rib; 42 sc in all. This is row 1.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(42 sc)
2 3 4 5		
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Buttonhole band

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side facing, join the yarn at the lower corner of the right front edge (as worn); ch 1, sc in each of the 7 sts along the end of the front hem rib, and sc in the end of each of the 30 rows of the straight front edge, with 2 sc in the 4th, 10th, 16th, 22nd and 28th of them (35 sc), up to the neck; 42 sc in all. This is row 1.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(42 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**ch 3, skip next 3 sts, sc in next 8 sts**] 3 times**, ch 3, skip next 3 sts, sc in next 2 sts	(30 sc, 4 ch-3 sps)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**3 sc in next ch-3 sp, sc in next 8 sts**] 3 times**, 3 sc in next ch-3 sp, sc in next 4 sts	(42 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(42 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Collar

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 5 of Assembly. With the wrong side of the cardigan facing, join the yarn in the first of the 4 sts left at the left front neck (as worn), next to the band; ch 1, sc in each of these 4 sts, sc in the end of each of the 6 rows of the left neck edge, up to the shoulder, with 2 sc in the 2nd and 5th of them (8 sc), sc in each of the 18 sts of the back neck, sc in the end of each of the 6 rows of the right neck edge, down from the shoulder, with 2 sc in the 2nd and 5th of them (8 sc), and sc in each of the 4 sts left at the right front neck, up to the band; 42 sc in all. The tops of the two bands stay free. This is row 1; the side that faces you is the outside of the collar when it is folded down.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; [hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts] twice, **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(50 hdc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(50 hdc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; [hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts] twice, **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(58 hdc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(58 hdc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; [hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts] twice, **[**hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(66 hdc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog twice, hdc in each st across to last 4 sts, hdc2tog twice	(62 hdc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog twice, sc in each st across to last 4 sts, sc2tog twice	(58 sc)
☐ **End**	The collar is about 3½ in (9 cm) deep. The decreases of the last two rows round its two front corners. Fasten off. Fold the collar down to the outside.	

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the fronts on the back with right sides together and the side edges level. Sew the 12 shoulder sts of each front to the 12 sts at that end of the back. The middle 18 sts of the back stay open for the neck.

2. Sleeves: with right sides together, put the middle of the top edge of a sleeve, between its sts 21 and 22, at a shoulder seam. Sew 21 sts of the top edge to the 18 row ends of the armhole of the front and the other 21 sts to the 18 row ends of the armhole of the back, about 7 sts to every 6 row ends. Then sew the last 5 row ends of each side edge of the sleeve to the 6 sts left at the underarm of the body, about 5 row ends to every 6 sts.

3. Sides and sleeves: fold the cardigan at the shoulders, right sides together. Sew each sleeve seam from the cuff edge to the underarm, and each side seam from the underarm down to the lower edge. At the two ribs the edges are the foundation chain and the last row of a rib: sew them stitch to stitch, 8 at the cuff and 7 at the hem. Between the ribs sew row end to row end.

4. Bands: work the button band and the buttonhole band, as written above.

5. Collar: work it now, as written above.

6. Buttons: lap the right front over the left, so that the whole of one band lies on the other, and mark the place under the middle of each buttonhole on the button band. Sew the 4 buttons there with the sewing thread.

Finishing

- Weave in all the ends. Wash as the yarn label says and lay flat to the measurements to dry.

In all: 5 pieces; 8,330 stitches.

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