Flower girl dress

6, to fit chest 25 in (63.5 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 27 in (68.5 cm) at the chest and about 24¾ in (63 cm) long
To fit a chest of 25 in (63.5 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Eyelet and fan lace in rounds, simple shaping

Yarn
Fine (2), 3 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
18 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: snow-white, main	**about 875 yd (800 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sage, contrast	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: blush, color 3	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, 3 buttons, ½ in (12 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 chest	Chest	Length	Yoke depth	Sleeve	Upper sleeve	Neck	Back opening	Hem	Yarn, an estimate
2	21 in (53.5 cm)	23 in (58.5 cm)	20¼ in (51.5 cm)	5 in (12.5 cm)	¾ in (2 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	51 in (129.5 cm)	about 635 yd (581 m)
4	23 in (58.5 cm)	25 in (63.5 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	5½ in (14 cm)	¾ in (2 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	14½ in (37 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	55½ in (141 cm)	about 760 yd (695 m)
6 (this file)	**25 in (63.5 cm)**	**27 in (68.5 cm)**	**24¾ in (63 cm)**	**6 in (15 cm)**	**¾ in (2 cm)**	**9¼ in (23.5 cm)**	**15 in (38 cm)**	**3½ in (9 cm)**	**60 in (152.5 cm)**	**about 910 yd (832 m)**
8	26½ in (67.5 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	27¼ in (69 cm)	6¼ in (16 cm)	¾ in (2 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	15½ in (39.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	64½ in (164 cm)	about 1,065 yd (974 m)

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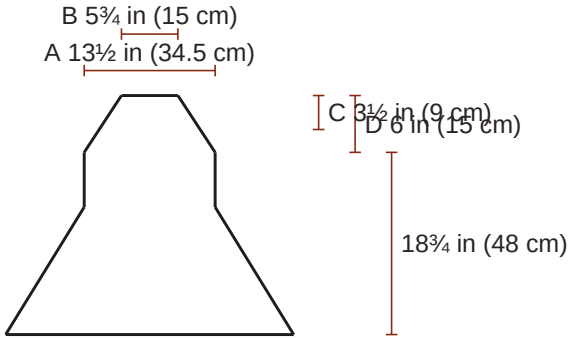
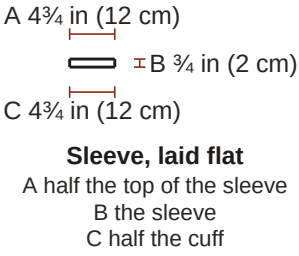
10	28 in (71 cm)	30¼ in (77 cm)	29¾ in (75.5 cm)	6¾ in (17 cm)	¾ in (2 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	66¾ in (169.5 cm)	about 1,215 yd (1,111 m)

Schematic



Body
A half the chest
B the yoke depth
C the back opening
D the yoke depth



Sleeve, laid flat
A half the top of the sleeve
B the sleeve
C half the cuff

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
ch	chain stitch
RS	right side
WS	wrong side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
sp	space

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. It leaves 1 sc2tog for the next row or round.

Gauge

18 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 29; begin in the 3rd ch from the hook and work 14 rows of double crochet on 27 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. Fan rounds, 9 fans side by side, each with its single dc: 12 in (30.5 cm) wide with fans of (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), 16 in (40.5 cm) with fans of (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) and 20 in (51 cm) with fans of (4 dc, ch 2, 4 dc); 9.5 rounds to 4 in (10 cm). The ch-2 sp draws in to the width of 1 st.

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Before you start

- The finished chest is from 2 in (5 cm) to 2¼ in (5.5 cm) wider than the body measurement, by the size. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- Worked from the neck down in one piece. The yoke begins at the middle of the back. Its first rows are worked flat, back and forth, for the back opening; row 1 is a right side row, and so is the last of them, which is joined into a ring. From there the rounds are not turned; the right side always faces you. The neckband and the edging of the opening are worked at the end.
- The rows and rounds begin at the middle of the back, so the first and the last section of each row or round are the two halves of the back.
- The neck is small, so that it stays on the shoulders; the head goes through the opening at the back, which fastens with three buttons.
- The chain at the start of a round or row (ch 1 for single and half double crochet, ch 2 for double crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch into the stitch at its base. In the rows, work the last stitch into the last stitch of the row below, and never into the turning chain.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- At the underarms, work into each of the new chains as into a stitch on the next round. The sleeves are worked into the free side of these chains.
- An eyelet is a ch 1 over a skipped stitch. It counts as a stitch: in the next row or round work 1 stitch into it, with the hook in the space under the chain.
- To work into a ch-2 sp, insert the hook in the space under the two chains; the dc of the fan below that lie before the space are passed over.
- In the fan rounds each single dc stands on the single dc of the round below.
- Color changes in rounds: work the sl st that joins the round before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again within 6 rnds, carry it loosely up the inside at the join.

Instructions

Chosen: 6, to fit chest 25 in (63.5 cm). Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms dc is treble, sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and hdc is half treble.

Yoke, back opening

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	In this size the front has 2 sts more than the back. With yarn A, ch 68.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(66 dc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in next st, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next st**] 24 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts**] 5 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next st	**(96 dc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 2, turn; **[**dc in next st, ch 1 (eyelet), skip next st**] 47 times**, dc in next 2 sts	**(49 dc, 47 ch)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	**(96 dc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 2, turn; dc in next st, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts**] 16 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts**] 11 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts	**(124 dc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 2, turn; **[**dc in next st, ch 1 (eyelet), skip next st**] 61 times**, dc in next 2 sts	**(63 dc, 61 ch)**

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☐ **Row 7**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	**(124 dc)**
☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.	

Yoke

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 7 of the back opening, a right side row. Do not turn. With the right side facing, join the row into a ring with a sl st in its first dc, so that the right side is outward. From here the yoke is worked in rounds.	
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 2; dc in next 3 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 4 sts**] 11 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next st; join with sl st in first dc	**(152 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, ch 1 (eyelet), skip next st**] 76 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(76 dc, 76 ch)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	**(152 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 2; dc in next 2 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 4 sts**] 28 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 5 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts; join with sl st in first dc	**(182 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, ch 1 (eyelet), skip next st**] 91 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(91 dc, 91 ch)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	**(182 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, ch 1 (eyelet), skip next st**] 91 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(91 dc, 91 ch)**
☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.	

Body and skirt

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from rnd 14 of the yoke. Colors: rnds 15 to 21 yarn A; rnds 22 to 25 yarn B; rnds 26 to 61 yarn A.	
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 2; dc in next 27 sts, ch 6 (underarm), skip next 36 sts (one sleeve), dc in next 56 sts, ch 6 (underarm), skip next 36 sts (one sleeve), dc in next 27 sts; join with sl st in first dc	**(110 dc, 12 ch)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	**(122 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, ch 1 (eyelet), skip next st**] 61 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(61 dc, 61 ch)**
☐ **Rnds 18 to 21**	Repeat Rnds 16 and 17, 2 more times	**(61 dc, 61 ch)**

A box for each round, 18 to 21: tick them off as you go.

18 19 20 21

☐ **Rnds 22 to 25**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(122 sc)**

A box for each round, 22 to 25: tick them off as you go.

22 23 24 25

☐ **Rnd 26**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 38 times**, [dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc in next st] twice; join with sl st in first dc	**(162 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, skip next 2 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next st, skip next 2 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(135 dc, 27 ch-2 sps)**

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☐ **Rnds 28 to 38**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next 2 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(135 dc, 27 ch-2 sps)**

A box for each round, 28 to 38: tick them off as you go.

28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38

☐ **Rnd 39**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next 2 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(189 dc, 27 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnds 40 to 50**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next 3 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(189 dc, 27 ch-2 sps)**

A box for each round, 40 to 50: tick them off as you go.

40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50

☐ **Rnd 51**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, (4 dc, ch 2, 4 dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next 3 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(243 dc, 27 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnds 52 to 60**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, (4 dc, ch 2, 4 dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next 4 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(243 dc, 27 ch-2 sps)**

A box for each round, 52 to 60: tick them off as you go.

52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60

☐ **Rnd 61**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, 9 dc in next ch-2 sp, skip next 4 sts**] 27 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(27 sc, 243 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Sleeve: make 2

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A in the left one of the two middle chs of an underarm; ch 2, dc in that ch and in each of the next 2 underarm chs, dc in each of the 36 sleeve sts and dc in each of the 3 underarm chs left (42 dc); join with sl st in first dc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	**(42 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Neckband

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	The neckband is not joined. With the right side facing and the foundation chain uppermost, join yarn A in the first ch made, at the left back edge of the opening (as worn), under the last dc of row 1; ch 1, sc in each ch across (66 sc), to the right back edge; the 2 chs skipped at the start of row 1 are left. This is row 1.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(66 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Opening edging

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A at the neck end of the right back edge of the opening (as worn); ch 1, sc in the end of each of the 3 neckband rows, 2 sc in the end of each of the 7 rows of the opening down to its foot; then go straight on up the left back edge, 2 sc in the end of each of the 7 rows of the opening and sc in the end of each of the 3 neckband rows (34 sc). This is row 1.
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 16 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, [ch 3, skip next st, sc in next 4 sts] twice, ch 3, skip next st, sc in next st **(30 sc, 3 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **End**	Row 2 goes down the left back edge and up the right back edge; the sc2tog turns it at the foot of the opening, and the 3 ch-3 sps are the button loops, the last of them at the neck. No row is worked into them. Fasten off.

Flower: make 3

Yarn A, snow-white.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. Colors: rnd 1 yarn A; rnd 2 yarn C.
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 10 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc **(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**(hdc, 3 dc, hdc) in next st, sl st in next st**] 5 times**; join with sl st in first hdc **(10 hdc, 15 dc, 5 sl sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.

Assembly

1. Close any small gaps at the underarms with the yarn ends there.

2. Opening: lay the edging of the right back over the edging of the left back and sew its lower end down with a few stitches at the foot of the opening. Mark the place under each loop on the left back, where the edging meets the yoke or the neckband, and sew the 3 buttons there with the sewing thread, so that the loops go over them without pulling. The buttons must hold a child's pull: take the thread through each one six times or more and wind it round under the button before you fasten it off.

3. Flowers: the sash is the four sc rounds in yarn B, rnds 22 to 25, of 122 sts each. Counted from the join at the middle of the back, the middle of the front lies between sts 61 and 62. Lay the middle of one flower there, right side up, halfway up the sash, and the middles of the other two 10 sts to the left and 10 sts to the right of it. With the yarn needle and their own ends sew each flower down with small stitches around its middle and through the back of each of its five petals.

Finishing

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

In all: 4 pieces; 10,368 stitches (726 in the yoke, back opening, 1,184 in the yoke, 8,092 in the body and skirt, 42 in each sleeve, 132 in the neckband, 30 in the opening edging, 40 in each flower).

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