Camisole with flower straps

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



Finished size

About 36 in (91.5 cm) at the bust and about 41¼ in (105 cm) round at the hem

To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm)

Skill

Easy

Basic stitches in rounds and rows, a lace band, small flowers sewn in a row

Yarn

Fine (2), 2 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

18 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: blush, main color **about 700 yd (640 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: white, contrast **about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 230 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 350 yd (320 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure and pins.

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	Around the hem	Length from the underarm	Front from hem to top of peak	Back from the hem to its top edge	Strap, not stretched
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	about 625 yd (572 m)	28 in (71 cm)	33¼ in (84.5 cm)	13 in (33 cm)	17½ in (44.5 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	6¼ in (16 cm)
S	33 in (84 cm)	about 710 yd (649 m)	32 in (81.5 cm)	37¼ in (94.5 cm)	13 in (33 cm)	17¾ in (45 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)
M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**about 790 yd (722 m)**	**36 in (91.5 cm)**	**41¼ in (105 cm)**	**13 in (33 cm)**	**18 in (45.5 cm)**	**17 in (43 cm)**	**7½ in (19 cm)**
L	41 in (104 cm)	about 875 yd (800 m)	40 in (101.5 cm)	45¼ in (115 cm)	13¼ in (33.5 cm)	18½ in (47 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)
1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	about 955 yd (873 m)	44 in (112 cm)	49¼ in (125 cm)	13¼ in (33.5 cm)	18¾ in (47.5 cm)	17½ in (44.5 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)

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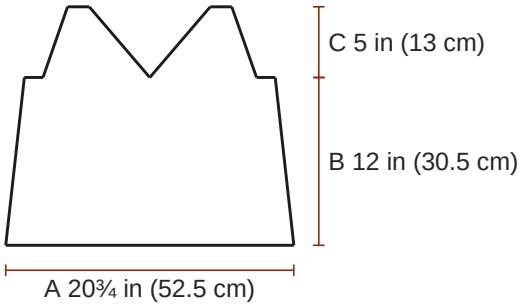
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	about 1,065 yd (974 m)	48 in (122 cm)	53¼ in (135.5 cm)	13¼ in (33.5 cm)	19 in (48.5 cm)	17½ in (44.5 cm)	10 in (25.5 cm)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	about 1,145 yd (1,047 m)	52 in (132 cm)	57¼ in (145.5 cm)	13½ in (34.5 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	18 in (45.5 cm)	10 in (25.5 cm)
4X	57 in (145 cm)	about 1,255 yd (1,148 m)	56 in (142 cm)	61¼ in (155.5 cm)	13½ in (34.5 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm)	18 in (45.5 cm)	11¼ in (28.5 cm)
5X	61 in (155 cm)	about 1,335 yd (1,221 m)	60 in (152.5 cm)	65¼ in (165.5 cm)	13½ in (34.5 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	18¼ in (46.5 cm)	11¼ in (28.5 cm)

Schematic



Front, laid flat, without the edgings

A the whole width
B how deep the neck is
C how deep the neck is

Gauge

18 stitches and 15 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 28; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 22 rows of half double crochet on 27 sts, about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 5¾ in (14.5 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. Single crochet (UK: double crochet) rounds: 21 rounds to 4 in (10 cm). Lace band: 6 V-stitches (dc, ch 1, dc), worked over 18 sts, are 4 in (10 cm) wide, and 9.5 rounds are 4 in (10 cm) high. Hem shells: the round of shells is about ¼ in (0.6 cm) high.

Notes

- The finished bust is 1 in (2.5 cm) narrower than the body measurement at each size, and the fabric stretches to it. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The rounds of the body begin and end under the left arm, as worn, and go over the front first. They are not turned; the right side always faces you. The fronts and the back panel are worked in rows that are turned.
- The chain at the start of a row or round (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 the base of that chain, unless the line says otherwise. The last stitch of a row goes into the last stitch of the row below.

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- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- A V-stitch is (dc, ch 1, dc) in one place. To work into a chain space, insert the hook under the whole chain.
- In the first of the three V-stitch rounds the first V-stitch goes in the stitch at the base of the ch 2. The other two begin with a sl st to the first ch-1 sp, and the first V-stitch goes in that same space.
- 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

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch, **sp** space.

RS right side, the one that shows.

5 dc in next st: all in one stitch. **hdc in next 29 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.

(186 hdc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

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.

picot (picot, a small loop of 3 chains on an edge): Ch 3, sl st in the first of the 3 chains. A picot is not a stitch and is not counted.

Body

Yarn A, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 186; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain. Colors: rnds 1 to 28 yarn A; rnd 29 yarn B; rnds 30 to 32 yarn A; rnd 33 yarn B; rnds 34 to 44 yarn A.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; hdc in each ch around; join with sl st in first hdc	(186 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 6**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(186 hdc)
2 3 4 5 6		
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 29 sts, hdc2tog**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(180 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 12**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(180 hdc)
8 9 10 11 12		
☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 28 sts, hdc2tog**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(174 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 14 to 18**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(174 hdc)
14 15 16 17 18		
☐ **Rnd 19**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 27 sts, hdc2tog**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(168 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 20 to 24**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(168 hdc)
20 21 22 23 24		

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☐ **Rnd 25**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 26 sts, hdc2tog**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(162 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 26 to 28**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(162 hdc)
26 27 28		
☐ **Rnd 29**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(162 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	Ch 2; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, skip next 2 sts**] 54 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(108 dc, 54 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnds 31 to 32**	Sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 2; (dc, ch 1, dc) in same ch-1 sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 53 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(108 dc, 54 ch-1 sps)
31 32		
☐ **Rnd 33**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 54 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(162 sc)
☐ **Rnds 34 to 44**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(162 hdc)
34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44		
☐ **End**	The lower edge is the foundation chain. Rnd 44 is the top: its first 81 sts, counted from the first st of the rnd, are the front and its other 81 sts are the back. Fasten off.	

Left front

Yarn A, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	The left front is worked in rows on sts 7 to 40 of rnd 44 of the body, counted from the first st of the rnd. With the right side facing, join yarn A in st 7; the first st of row 1 goes in that st. Row 1 begins at the armhole and ends at the V neck.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(32 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 8**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(18 hdc)
2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(17 hdc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across	(16 hdc)
☐ **Rows 11 to 18**	Repeat Rows 9 and 10, 4 more times (14, 12, 10, 8 hdc at the ends of the repeats)	(8 hdc)
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18		
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(7 hdc)
☐ **End**	The 7 sts left are the peak, where a strap begins. Fasten off.	

Right front

Yarn A, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	The right front is worked in rows on sts 42 to 75 of rnd 44 of the body, counted from the first st of the rnd. With the right side facing, join yarn A in st 42; the first st of row 1 goes in that st. Row 1 begins at the V neck and ends at the armhole.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(32 hdc)

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☐ **Rows 2 to 8**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(18 hdc)
2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across	(17 hdc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(16 hdc)
☐ **Rows 11 to 18**	Repeat Rows 9 and 10, 4 more times (14, 12, 10, 8 hdc at the ends of the repeats)	(8 hdc)
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18		
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across	(7 hdc)
☐ **End**	The 7 sts left are the peak, where a strap begins. Fasten off.	

Back panel

Yarn A, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	The back panel is worked in rows on sts 99 to 145 of rnd 44 of the body, counted from the first st of the rnd. With the right side facing, join yarn A in st 99; the first st of row 1 goes in that st. Row 1 begins at the right armhole (as worn) and ends at the left armhole.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; hdc2tog twice, hdc in each st across to last 4 sts, hdc2tog twice	(43 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 15**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(15 hdc)
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15		
☐ **End**	The 15 sts left are the top edge of the back. Fasten off.	

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Top edging

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn B in the first st of rnd 44 of the body, under the left arm as worn; ch 1, then work these edges in order: sc in each of the 6 free sts of rnd 44 of the body (6 sc); up the armhole edge, along rows 1 to 19 of the left front, [sc in the end of the next row, 2 sc in the end of the next row] 7 times, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows (26 sc); sc in each of the 7 sts of row 19 of the left front (7 sc); down the V neck, along rows 1 to 19 of the left front, met from the last of them, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows, [sc in the end of the next row, 2 sc in the end of the next row] 8 times (30 sc); sc in the 1 free middle st of rnd 44 of the body (1 sc); up the V neck, along rows 1 to 19 of the right front, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of the next row] 8 times, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows (30 sc); sc in each of the 7 sts of row 19 of the right front (7 sc); down the armhole edge, along rows 1 to 19 of the right front, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of the next row] 7 times (26 sc); sc in each of the 23 free sts of rnd 44 of the body (23 sc); up its first edge, along rows 1 to 15 of the back panel, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of the next row] 6 times, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows (24 sc); sc in each of the 15 sts of row 15 of the back panel (15 sc); down its second edge, along rows 1 to 15 of the back panel, met from the last of them, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows, [sc in the end of the next row, 2 sc in the end of the next row] 6 times (24 sc); sc in each of the 17 free sts of rnd 44 of the body (17 sc). There are 236 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next 3 sts, picot**] 78 times**, sc in next 2 sts; join with sl st in first sc (236 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Hem edging

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Turn the body upside down, so that the foundation chain is uppermost. With the right side facing, join yarn B in the first ch of the body, at the start of its rounds; ch 1, then work this edge: sc in each of the 186 chs of the foundation chain of the body, along their free side (186 sc). There are 186 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, skip next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, skip next 2 sts**] 31 times**; join with sl st in first sc (31 sc, 155 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

White flower: make 6

Yarn A, blush.

☐ **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 B.
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 12 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc (12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, (hdc, 2 dc, hdc) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc (6 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc)
☐ **End**	The flower is about 1½ in (4 cm) across, from the tip of a petal to the tip of the petal across from it. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.

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Blush flower: make 6

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. Colors: rnd 1 yarn B; rnd 2 yarn A.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 12 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, (hdc, 2 dc, hdc) in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc)
☐ **End**	The flower is as large as a white flower. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Hem edging: work it now, as written above.

2. Top edging: work it now, as written above.

3. Straps: each strap is a row of 6 flowers, 3 white and 3 blush in turn, with a white flower first and a blush flower last. Lay two flowers side by side, right sides up, so that two petals of one meet two petals of the other, tip to tip. Take the end of the second flower along its back to the first pair of tips and sew them together, the dc of one petal to the dc of the other, with three firm stitches; take the needle along the back to the second pair of tips and sew them in the same way. Join every next flower with its own end to the two petals on the far side of the flower before it, in the same way, so that in the middle of the strap each flower has two petals sewn to the flower before it, two petals sewn to the flower after it, and one free petal at each long edge. A strap is about 7½ in (19 cm) long. Make the second strap like the first.

4. Front ends: the first flower of a strap has two free petals at its end. Lay the camisole with its front up and pin these two petals behind the peak of a front, with their tips on rnd 1 of the top edging behind the 2nd and the 6th of the 7 sts of the peak, the right side of the flower up. Take the end of that flower along its back and sew each tip to the back of rnd 1, firmly. Sew the second strap to the other peak in the same way.

5. Back ends: bring the two straps over the shoulders to the top edge of the back panel, not twisted, the strap of the left front to the left half of that edge, as worn, and the strap of the right front to the right half. Pin them there for a moment and try the camisole on, or hold it against you. Take a flower away from each strap at this end, or add one to each, if the straps are too long or too short for you. Then unpin them and join the two straps to each other first: lay the last flower of one beside the last flower of the other, right sides up, so that the free petal at the inner edge of each points at the other. With a new length of the yarn of their petals (yarn A for blush flowers, yarn B for white ones), about 12 in (30 cm), sew these two petals together, tip to tip, the dc of one to the dc of the other, with three firm stitches. The middles of the two flowers are now about 1½ in (4 cm) apart, which is 7 sts of the top edge. The top edge has 15 sts of rnd 1 of the top edging. From the outside, with the back of the camisole toward you, the two end petals of the strap of the left front go behind sts 3 and 6 of them, counted from the left end, and the two end petals of the strap of the right front behind sts 3 and 6, counted from the right end, all four with their tips on rnd 1; the joined petals are above the middle of the edge. Pin them so, with the right side of the flowers out. With new lengths of the same yarn, about 12 in (30 cm) for each strap, sew each of the four tips to the back of rnd 1, firmly. The two straps meet there, between the shoulder blades.

Finishing

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

In all: 13 pieces; 9,029 stitches (7,326 in the body, 262 in the left front, 262 in the right front, 253 in the back panel, 236 in the top edging, 186 in the hem edging, 42 in each white flower, 42 in each blush flower).

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