Girls' beach cover-up

8 to 10 years · US terms



Finished size
About 23½ in (59.7 cm) round the neck, 14¾ in (37.5 cm) long over the shoulder and 20¾ in (52.7 cm) long at the points

Skill
Easy
Double crochet in rounds, mesh, puff stitches in a second color

Yarn
Light (3), 5 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
15 stitches and 7½ rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: watermelon coral cotton, body	**about 325 yd (297 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: black cotton, seeds	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white cotton, pale rind	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: light green cotton, light rind	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: dark green cotton, rind	**about 135 yd (123 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 250 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. Yarns A, C, D and E: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarn B: the estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
8 to 10 years (this file)	**23½ in (59.7 cm) round, 14¾ in (37.5 cm) long**	**about 615 yd (562 m)**
4 to 6 years	21¼ in (54 cm) round, 12½ in (31.8 cm) long	about 500 yd (457 m)
12 to 14 years	25½ in (64.8 cm) round, 17¾ in (45.1 cm) long	about 860 yd (786 m)

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Gauge

15 stitches and 7½ rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece, measured over a shoulder from the neck edge straight out to its edge, away from the two corners, is about 2.1 in (5.3 cm) deep. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

Each size in the list is printed in full when it is chosen. For a longer cover-up work more rounds of yarn E before the edge, two at a time; two rounds are about 1.1 in (2.8 cm) of length over the shoulder and 1.5 in (3.8 cm) at the points. From round to round the number of dc before the first corner grows by 2, the number between the two corners by 4 and the number after the second corner by 2, as in the rounds before. For every two rounds added, the first square bracket of the edge is worked once more, the second one twice more and the third once more. The neck stays the same. Yarn E is then needed for the rounds added, each of them longer than the one before; the other colors take what is printed.

Notes

- Work the foundation chain loosely, or with a hook one size larger: it is the neck edge. Before round 1 pass the joined loop over the head it is for; it should go over with ease.
- The rounds begin over one shoulder, near its middle. The two corners, the ch-2 sps, are the center front and the center back; they are alike, so either may be the front.
- Mesh after a round of dc: a dc stands in every other st, with a ch 1 between. Mesh on mesh: the dc go into the dc of the round below and a ch 1 stands over every ch-1 sp; beside a corner a ch 1 also stands over the second of three dc. A round of dc after mesh has one dc in every dc and one in every ch-1 sp.
- Seeds, the rounds with yarn B: fasten in yarn B at the beginning of the round, lay it along the tops of the sts of the round below and work over it all the way round, so that it is hidden. "With B" means: work the dc before the seed until two loops are left on the hook and draw yarn B through them. "With A": draw yarn A through as the last draw through of the seed, through all 7 loops. At a corner let yarn B lie loosely behind the two chains. At the end of the round cut it. Push the seeds out to the right side.
- A picot is worked after the sc that stands before it in the line.
- The ch 3 at the start of a round counts as a dc.
- A ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain, not into a chain stitch.
- Stitches in round brackets with a place after them are all worked into that one place. The brackets at the end of a row hold its count.
- What is in square brackets is worked as many times as the number after them says, in all.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- To change color, draw the new color through as you close the slip stitch that joins the round. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and fasten in a fresh piece each time: the yarn amounts and the ends to weave in are counted this way.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.
- The neck edge is about 23.5 in (59.7 cm) round. From the neck to the hem the cover-up is about 14.6 in (37.1 cm) over a shoulder and about 20.7 in (52.6 cm) down the center front and the center back, where the points are, without the picots. Laid flat, folded at the shoulders, it is about 29 in (73.7 cm) wide where it is widest.
- 28 rounds. Plain rounds of dc: rounds 1, 2, 6, 8, 13, 15 and 20 to 27. Mesh: rounds 3 to 5, 9 to 12 and 16 to 19. Seeds: round 7, with 11 seeds on each side, and round 14, with 14 on each side. Edge: round 28.

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- Colors: yarn A (watermelon coral) rounds 1 to 20, with yarn B (black) for the seeds of rounds 7 and 14; yarn C (white) rounds 21 and 22; yarn D (light green) rounds 23 and 24; yarn E (dark green) rounds 25 to 28.
- Ages are a guide to the size of the finished piece: go by the measurements.

Instructions

8 to 10 years. US terms.

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

sk skip, **yo** yarn over the hook.

ch-2 sp: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 12 times: work what is inside 12 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.

(94 dc, 2 ch-2 sps): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

seed (puff stitch seed): (yo, insert hook in the st, yo and pull up a long loop) 3 times in the same st, yo and draw through all 7 loops on the hook.

picot: Ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook. Nothing is worked into the picot, and it uses no stitch of the row below.

Yarns in order of use: A, watermelon coral cotton; B, black cotton; C, white cotton; D, light green cotton; E, dark green cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 88, sl st in first ch to form a large loop, taking care not to twist the chain.
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 20 chs, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch, dc in next 43 chs, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch, dc in next 22 chs, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (94 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 22 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 47 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 24 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (102 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 12 times**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 25 times**, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 13 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (60 dc, 50 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 12 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 25 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 13 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (64 dc, 54 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 13 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 27 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (68 dc, 58 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)

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☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 13 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 28 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 14 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (134 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 4 sts, **[**with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 5 sts**] 4 times**, with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 5 sts**] 10 times**, with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 5 sts**] 5 times**, with B, seed in next st, with A, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (120 dc, 22 seeds, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 34 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 71 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 36 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (150 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 18 times**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 37 times**, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 19 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (84 dc, 74 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 18 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 37 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 19 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (88 dc, 78 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 19 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 39 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 20 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (92 dc, 82 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 20 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 41 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 21 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (96 dc, 86 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)

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☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 20 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 42 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 21 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (190 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next st, **[**with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**, with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 8 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 8 sts, **[**with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 5 sts**] 13 times**, with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 8 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 8 sts, **[**with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**, with B, seed in next st, with A, dc in next 3 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (170 dc, 28 seeds, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 48 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 99 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 50 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (206 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 25 times**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 51 times**, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 26 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (112 dc, 102 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 25 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 51 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 26 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (116 dc, 106 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 26 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 53 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 27 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (120 dc, 110 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 27 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 55 times**, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp**] 28 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (124 dc, 114 ch-1 sps, 2 ch-2 sps)

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☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 27 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 56 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 28 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sl st in top of ch-3 to join. Change to yarn C in the slip stitch that joins it.	(246 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 60 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 123 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 62 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(254 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 62 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 127 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 64 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join. Change to yarn D in the slip stitch that joins it.	(262 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 64 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 131 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 66 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(270 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 24**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 66 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 135 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 68 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join. Change to yarn E in the slip stitch that joins it.	(278 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 25**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 68 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 139 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 70 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(286 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 26**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 70 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 143 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 72 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(294 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 27**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 72 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 147 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 74 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(302 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 28**	Ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next 3 sts, **[**picot, sc in next 4 sts**] 17 times**, picot, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**sc in next 4 sts, picot**] 37 times**, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**sc in next 4 sts, picot**] 19 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(306 sc, 74 picots, 2 ch-2 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 28 rounds.

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