Girls' swimsuit, tank top and swim skirt

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



Finished size

About 25½ in (65 cm) at the top around the chest and about 12¾ in (32.5 cm) at the top long

To fit chest 25 in (63.5 cm), waist 22½ in (57 cm), hip 25 in (63.5 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

Basic stitches in rows and rounds, simple shaping, picked-up edgings, elastic in casings, a lining

Yarn

Light (3), 3 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

16 stitches and 18½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: turquoise, main color	**about 725 yd (663 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, contrast	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: lemon, the daisy	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 320 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, about ¾ yd (0.7 m) of stretch swimsuit lining at least 56 in (142 cm) wide (enough for every size), sewing thread and a sewing needle, pins, about ¾ yd (0.7 m) of elastic ¾ in (2 cm) wide (enough for every size), about 1 yd (0.9 m) of swimwear elastic ¼ in (6 mm) wide (enough for every size) and a safety pin.

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	Chest	Yarn, an estimate	Top around the chest	Top long	Top armhole deep, without the binding	Top neck opening	Brief around the hips	Brief side seam, with the waist casing	Brief front from its top	Brief back from top to middle of crotch	Brief crotch across, with the edgings	Brief around each leg opening	Skirt long	Skirt around its lower edge
2 years	21 in (53.5 cm)	about 605 yd (553 m)	21 in (53.5 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)	4¾ in (12 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	21½ in (54.5 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	12¼ in (31 cm)	5½ in (14 cm)	38 in (96.5 cm)
4 years	23 in (58.5 cm)	about 680 yd (622 m)	24 in (61 cm)	12 in (30.5 cm)	5¼ in (13.5 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	22½ in (57 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	7¾ in (19.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	13¼ in (33.5 cm)	6 in (15 cm)	40 in (101.5 cm)

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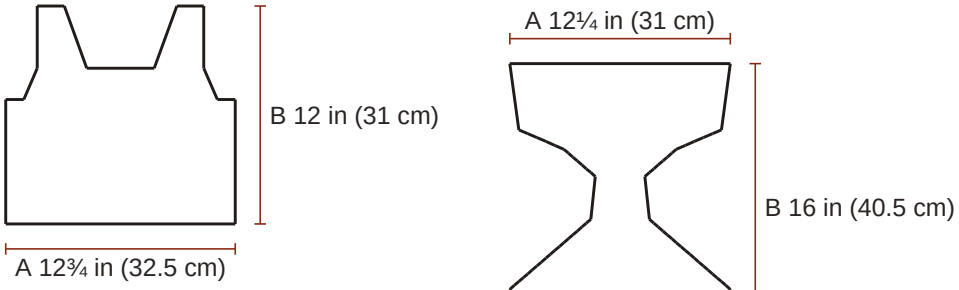
6 years (this file)	**25 in (63.5 cm)**	**about 810 yd (741 m)**	**25½ in (65 cm)**	**12¾ in (32.5 cm)**	**5¼ in (13.5 cm)**	**21 in (53.5 cm)**	**24½ in (62 cm)**	**4¼ in (11 cm)**	**8¼ in (21 cm)**	**9½ in (24 cm)**	**3½ in (9 cm)**	**13¾ in (35 cm)**	**7 in (18 cm)**	**42½ in (108 cm)**
8 years	26½ in (67.5 cm)	about 940 yd (860 m)	27 in (68.5 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm)	6 in (15 cm)	21½ in (54.5 cm)	26½ in (67.5 cm)	4¾ in (12 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	14½ in (37 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	47½ in (120.5 cm)
10 years	28 in (71 cm)	about 1,100 yd (1,006 m)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	15½ in (39.5 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	22 in (56 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	5 in (12.5 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	15¾ in (40 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	51 in (129.5 cm)
12 years	30 in (76 cm)	about 1,230 yd (1,125 m)	30 in (76 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	7 in (18 cm)	22 in (56 cm)	30½ in (77.5 cm)	5½ in (14 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)	11½ in (29 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	54 in (137 cm)

Schematic



Front of the tank, without the edgings
A the whole width
B how deep the neck is

Brief
A half the brief the hips
B from top to bottom

Gauge

16 stitches and 18½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 25; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 28 rows of single crochet on 24 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. Rounds and edgings of single crochet are as high as rows. Double crochet (UK: treble) rounds of the skirt, and the rnd of shells at the hem of the tank: 8.5 rnds to 4 in (10 cm).

Notes

- Child's sizes, by chest, waist and hip.
- The tank is from as wide as the chest to 1 in (2.5 cm) wider, by the size. Around the hips the brief is from ½ in (1.5 cm) to 1½ in (4 cm) smaller than the body, by the size, and the fabric stretches to it. The waist casing is as wide as the hips of the brief, and the elastic draws it in. No fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The turning chain (ch 1 for single crochet, ch 2 for 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.
- The ch that is skipped at the start of row 1 is never counted, and nothing is worked into it later.

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- The chain at the start of a round never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of the round into the stitch at its base, where the round was joined.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- The rounds are not turned; the right side always faces you. Left and right are those of the child who wears the set.
- Mattress stitch: lay the two edges side by side with the right side up; with the yarn needle go under two strands at the side of a row end of one edge, then under two strands of the row end across from it, and so on, and draw the yarn up until the edges meet.
- Whip stitch: put the needle in through both edges from the back to the front, take the yarn over the edge, and do the same again a short step farther on.
- Lining: when the brief is worked and before its side seams are sewn, lay the brief flat with the wrong side up on stretch swimsuit lining, the greater stretch of the lining from side to side, and cut the lining ½ in (1.5 cm) larger all around. Turn ¾ in (2 cm) of it under all around, toward the crochet, and pin it to the wrong side, so that the fold lies about ¼ in (0.5 cm), which is one st or one row, in from every edge. Where an edge curves inward, snip the part that is turned under so that it lies flat. Sew the fold down with small slanting stitches of sewing thread that do not show on the right side, and stretch the piece a little as you sew. Without a lining the fabric shows what is under it.
- Cotton takes up water: wet, it grows heavier and longer and it dries slowly. A cotton with some elastic in it, whose label says that it is fit for swimwear, keeps its length better. Rinse out salt or chlorine and dry the piece flat, not hanging.
- 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.
- 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, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **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. **sc in next 9 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 17 times: work what is inside 17 times in all.
(102 sc): the stitches you have when the round 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.

puff (puff stitch): Yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch or space named, yarn over and pull up a tall loop; do this 3 times in the same place (7 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 7 loops.

Body

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	The tank is worked from its lower edge up, first in rounds. The rounds begin at the left side and go over the front first to the right side, then over the back. With yarn A, ch 102; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; sc in each ch around; join with sl st in first sc	(102 sc)

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☐ **Rnds 2 to 32**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(102 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

☐ **End**	Fasten off. Sts 1 to 51 of rnd 32 are the front and sts 52 to 102 are the back.	

Upper front

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A in st 5 of rnd 32 of the body, counted from the beginning of the round. The upper front is worked in rows on that st and the next 42 sts, to st 47 (43 sts).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; sc in each st across	(43 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(43 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog	(41 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 7**	Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 2 more times (39, 37 sc at the ends of the repeats)	(37 sc)

4 5 6 7

☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(37 sc)
☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.	

Left front strap

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 8 of the upper front. It is the left front strap as worn.	
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog, leave the last 26 sts unworked	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 12 to 17**	Repeat Rows 10 and 11, 3 more times (8, 7, 6 sc at the ends of the repeats)	(6 sc)

12 13 14 15 16 17

☐ **Rows 18 to 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(6 sc)

18 19 20 21 22 23 24

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Right front strap

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Go back to row 8 of the upper front with the right side facing. Skip the next 15 unworked sts of row 8 for the neck and join yarn A in the next st. The right front strap is worked in rows on that st and the next 10 sts, to the end of row 8 (11 sts).	
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 1; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog	(9 sc)

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☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 12 to 17**	Repeat Rows 10 and 11, 3 more times (8, 7, 6 sc at the ends of the repeats) 12 13 14 15 16 17	(6 sc)
☐ **Rows 18 to 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Upper back

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A in st 56 of rnd 32 of the body, counted from the beginning of the round. The upper back is worked in rows on that st and the next 42 sts, to st 98 (43 sts).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; sc in each st across	(43 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(43 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog	(41 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 7**	Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 2 more times (39, 37 sc at the ends of the repeats) 4 5 6 7	(37 sc)
☐ **Rows 8 to 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across 8 9 10 11 12 13 14	(37 sc)
☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.	

Right back strap

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 14 of the upper back. It is the right back strap as worn.	
☐ **Row 15 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog, leave the last 26 sts unworked	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 18 to 23**	Repeat Rows 16 and 17, 3 more times (8, 7, 6 sc at the ends of the repeats) 18 19 20 21 22 23	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Left back strap

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Go back to row 14 of the upper back with the right side facing. Skip the next 15 unworked sts of row 14 for the neck and join yarn A in the next st. The left back strap is worked in rows on that st and the next 10 sts, to the end of row 14 (11 sts).	
☐ **Row 15 (RS)**	Ch 1; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 18 to 23**	Repeat Rows 16 and 17, 3 more times (8, 7, 6 sc at the ends of the repeats)	(6 sc)
	18 19 20 21 22 23	
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Now the shoulder seams: lay the back on the front with right sides together. With a new length of yarn A of about 8 in (20 cm) for each shoulder, sew the 6 sts of row 24 of the left back strap to the 6 sts of row 24 of the left front strap, and the 6 sts of row 24 of the right back strap to the 6 sts of row 24 of the right front strap, with whip stitch. Turn the tank right side out.	

Neck binding

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the tank with the right side facing and the neck uppermost. The binding goes over the back of the neck first. Join yarn B in the end of row 24 of the right back strap, at the right shoulder seam; ch 1, then in order: along rows 15 to 24 of the right back strap, met from the last of them, 2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 9 rows (11 sc); sc in each of the 15 unworked sts of row 14 of the upper back (15 sc); along rows 15 to 24 of the left back strap, sc in the end of each of the next 9 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row (11 sc); along rows 9 to 24 of the left front strap, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 16 rows (16 sc); sc in each of the 15 unworked sts of row 8 of the upper front (15 sc); along rows 9 to 24 of the right front strap, sc in the end of each of the next 16 rows (16 sc). There are 84 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(84 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Binding of the right armhole

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the tank with the right side facing and the right armhole uppermost. The skipped sts of rnd 32 of the body under the right arm are, in working order, sts 48 to 55. Join yarn B in st 48 of rnd 32 of the body; ch 1, then in order: sc in each of the 8 skipped sts of rnd 32 of the body, under the right arm (8 sc); along rows 1 to 14 of the upper back, sc in the end of each of the next 6 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 7 rows (13 sc); along rows 15 to 24 of the right back strap, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows (8 sc); along rows 9 to 24 of the right front strap, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows, [skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows] twice, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows (13 sc); along rows 1 to 8 of the upper front, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 8 rows (8 sc). There are 50 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(50 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Binding of the left armhole

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the tank with the right side facing and the left armhole uppermost. The skipped sts of rnd 32 of the body under the left arm are, in working order, sts 99 to 102 and sts 1 to 4. Join yarn B in st 99 of rnd 32 of the body; ch 1, then in order: sc in each of the 8 skipped sts of rnd 32 of the body, under the left arm (8 sc); along rows 1 to 8 of the upper front, sc in the end of each of the next 8 rows (8 sc); along rows 9 to 24 of the left front strap, sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows, [skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows] twice, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows (13 sc); along rows 15 to 24 of the left back strap, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows (8 sc); along rows 1 to 14 of the upper back, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 7 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 6 rows (13 sc). There are 50 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(50 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Scalloped hem

Yarn B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the tank with the right side facing and the foundation chain uppermost. Join yarn B in the free side of the first ch of the foundation chain of the body, under the first st of rnd 1; ch 1, then in order: sc in each of the 102 chs of the foundation chain of the body, along their free side (102 sc). There are 102 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**] 17 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(17 sc, 85 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. The hem has 17 shells.	

Brief

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 50.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(49 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(49 sc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	
☐ **Rows 17 to 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog twice, sc in each st across to last 4 sts, sc2tog twice	(25 sc)
	17 18 19 20 21 22	
☐ **Rows 23 to 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog	(11 sc)
	23 24 25 26 27 28 29	
☐ **Rows 30 to 39**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(11 sc)
	30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39	
☐ **Rows 40 to 58**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	(49 sc)
	40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58	
☐ **Rows 59 to 74**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(49 sc)
	59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74	
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Rows 1 to 16 are the sides of the front and rows 17 to 29 its legs, rows 30 to 39 are the crotch, rows 40 to 58 the legs of the back and rows 59 to 74 its sides. Line the brief now (see NOTES), while it is flat: the lining as it is cut is about 13¼ in (33.5 cm) wide and 17 in (43 cm) long, measured at its widest and at its longest. Then the side seams: fold the brief at the crotch with the right side outward, so that row 74 lies behind the foundation chain. At each side, with a new length of yarn A of about 12 in (30 cm), sew the ends of rows 1 to 16 to the ends of rows 74 to 59 with mattress stitch, row 1 to row 74, row 2 to row 73 and so on (16 row ends to 16). Rows 17 to 58 stay open for the legs.	

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Edging of the right leg, as worn

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the brief with the right side facing and the right leg opening, as worn, uppermost. Join yarn A in the end of row 17, the first row of the front past the side seam; ch 1 and go around the opening: along rows 17 to 22, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 6 rows (12 sc); along rows 23 to 29, [sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row] twice, sc in the end of the next row (9 sc); along rows 30 to 39, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows (9 sc); along rows 40 to 58, [sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row] 6 times, sc in the end of the next row (25 sc). There are 55 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(55 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; sc in back loop only of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(55 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(55 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 38 in (95 cm) for sewing.	

Edging of the left leg, as worn

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the brief with the right side facing and the left leg opening, as worn, uppermost. Join yarn A in the end of row 58, the first row of the back past the side seam; ch 1 and go around the opening: along rows 40 to 58, met from the last of them, sc in the end of the next row, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows] 6 times (25 sc); along rows 30 to 39, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows, skip the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows (9 sc); along rows 23 to 29, met from the last of them, sc in the end of the next row, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows] twice (9 sc); along rows 17 to 22, met from the last of them, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 6 rows (12 sc). There are 55 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(55 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; sc in back loop only of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(55 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(55 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 38 in (95 cm) for sewing.	

Waist casing

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the brief with the right side facing and the waist edge uppermost. Join yarn A at the left side seam, as worn, in the first ch of the foundation chain, at the front; ch 1, sc in each of the 49 chs of the foundation chain along their free side, then sc in each of the 49 sts of row 74 (98 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnds 2 to 4**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(98 sc)

2 3 4

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☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1; sc in back loop only of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(98 sc)
☐ **Rnds 6 to 8** 6 7 8	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(98 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 64 in (165 cm) for sewing.	

Skirt

Yarn A, turquoise.

☐ **Foundation**	Colors: rnds 1 to 15 yarn A; rnd 16 yarn B. Hold the waist casing with the right side facing and the legs uppermost. The front loops of rnd 4 of the waist casing lie free along the ridge at the top of the casing. Join yarn A in the free front loop of the first st of rnd 4; ch 1, sc in the free front loop of each of the 98 sts of rnd 4, the first sc in the loop where you joined (98 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next 4 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 10 times**, **[**dc in next 5 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(116 dc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(116 dc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 2; dc in next 3 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 5 sts**] 10 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 6 sts**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(134 dc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(134 dc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 2; dc in next 2 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 6 sts**] 10 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 7 sts**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 5 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(152 dc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(152 dc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 2; dc in next 6 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 7 sts**] 10 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 8 sts**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(170 dc)
☐ **Rnds 9 to 15** 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(170 dc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(170 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. The skirt hangs from the ridge at the top of the waist casing over the casing and the brief.	

Daisy: make 11

Yarn C, lemon.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn C, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. Colors: rnd 1 yarn C; rnd 2 yarn B.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2; **[**puff in next st, ch 2**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first puff	(6 puffs, 6 ch-2 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 12 in (30 cm) for sewing. Each daisy is about 1¼ in (3.2 cm) across, with 6 petals.	

Assembly

1. Lining of the tank: turn the tank inside out and lay it flat with the front uppermost. The part that is lined is the front, from row 8 of the upper front, where the neck and the straps begin, down to the top of rnd 4 of the body, without the bindings; its sides run along the edges of the upper front and from the underarm straight down. Cut the lining ½ in (1.5 cm) larger all around than this part, the greater stretch of the lining from side to side: the lining as it is cut is about 13¾ in (35 cm) wide and 8¾ in (22 cm) long, measured at its widest and at its longest. Turn ¾ in (2 cm) of it under all around and pin it to the wrong side of the front, so that the fold lies about ¼ in (0.5 cm), which is one st or one row, in from every edge of this part. Where an edge curves inward, snip the part that is turned under so that it lies flat. Sew the fold down with small slanting stitches of sewing thread that do not show on the right side, and stretch the piece a little as you sew, through the front alone. Turn the tank right side out.

2. Legs: at each leg opening turn rnds 3 and 4 of the edging to the inside along the ridge of rnd 3, and sew the top of rnd 4 to the back of rnd 1, 55 sts to 55 sts, with the end of the edging; leave the last 2 in (5 cm) open. For each leg cut a piece of swimwear elastic ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 13½ in (34.5 cm) long, draw it through with a safety pin, lap its two ends 1 in (2.5 cm) and pin them: each elastic is then 12½ in (32 cm) around. Try the brief on and take the elastic in or let it out as you like; then sew the lapped ends together firmly with sewing thread and sew the rest of the casing shut.

3. Waist of the brief: turn rnds 5 to 8 of the casing to the inside along the ridge of rnd 5, and sew the top of rnd 8 to the back of rnd 1, 98 sts to 98 sts, with the end of the casing; leave the last 2 in (5 cm) open. Cut a piece of elastic ¾ in (2 cm) wide and 22½ in (57 cm) long, draw it through with a safety pin, lap its two ends 1 in (2.5 cm) and pin them: the elastic is then 21½ in (54.5 cm) around, 3 in (7.5 cm) less than the casing. Try the brief on and take the elastic in or let it out as you like; then sew its lapped ends together firmly with sewing thread and sew the rest of the casing shut.

4. Daisies: rnd 13 of the skirt has 170 dc. Lay the skirt with the right side up and sew 10 daisies to it, right side up, each with its own end and small stitches through the center and through the tip of each petal, the middle of each over the top of rnd 13: the first over st 1, the next over st 18, and so on, 17 sts from one to the next, to the last over st 154. Sew the last daisy to the front of the tank, its middle 1 in (2.5 cm) below the lower edge of the neck binding, at the middle of the 15 unworked sts of row 8 of the upper front, and through the crochet alone, not through the lining.

Finishing

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

In all: 13 pieces.

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