Girls' tie shoulder romper

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



Finished size

About 27 in (68.5 cm) at the bodice before the elastic and about 5½ in (14 cm) at the bodice

To fit chest 25 in (63.5 cm), hip 25 in (63.5 cm) and torso 45½ in (115.5 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

Clusters in rounds, a raised back in short rows, elastic in casings, small motifs

Yarn

Light (3), 3 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

16 stitches and 13½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: cream, main color — **about 650 yd (594 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: cherry, contrast — **about 105 yd (96 m), an estimate**

Yarn C: leaf green, the stems and the leaf — **about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 300 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 2 yd (1.8 m) of elastic 3/8 in (1 cm) wide (enough for every size), a safety pin, sewing thread and a sewing needle 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.

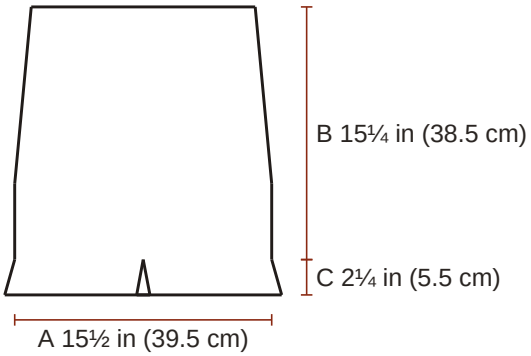
Sizes

Size	Chest	Yarn, an estimate	Bodice before the elastic	Bodice, from the top edge to the waist	Around the bloomers	Front, from the top edge to the gusset	Back, from the top edge to the gusset	Gusset from front to back	Around each leg, before the elastic	Inside leg, without the frill	Each tie
2	21 in (53.5 cm)	about 640 yd (585 m)	24 in (61 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	28 in (71 cm)	13 in (33 cm)	13¾ in (35 cm)	2 in (5 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)	2¼ in (5.5 cm)	12 in (30.5 cm)
4	23 in (58.5 cm)	about 700 yd (640 m)	25 in (63.5 cm)	4¾ in (12 cm)	30 in (76 cm)	14 in (35.5 cm)	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	2 in (5 cm)	17 in (43 cm)	2¼ in (5.5 cm)	13 in (33 cm)
6 (this file)	**25 in (63.5 cm)**	**about 760 yd (695 m)**	**27 in (68.5 cm)**	**5½ in (14 cm)**	**31 in (78.5 cm)**	**15¼ in (38.5 cm)**	**16¼ in (41.5 cm)**	**2 in (5 cm)**	**17½ in (44.5 cm)**	**2¼ in (5.5 cm)**	**13 in (33 cm)**

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8	26½ in (67.5 cm)	about 905 yd (828 m)	30 in (76 cm)	6¾ in (17 cm)	34 in (86.5 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	18 in (45.5 cm)	2½ in (6.5 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	2¼ in (5.5 cm)	14 in (35.5 cm)
10	28 in (71 cm)	about 990 yd (905 m)	31 in (78.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	36 in (91.5 cm)	18¼ in (46.5 cm)	19 in (48.5 cm)	2½ in (6.5 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	2¼ in (5.5 cm)	14 in (35.5 cm)

Schematic



Laid flat, front up

A the front, from the top edge to the gusset
B the front, from the top edge to the gusset
C the gusset from front to back

Gauge

16 stitches and 13½ 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 25; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 20 rows of half double 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. Bodice: 6 rounds of clusters and 6 rounds of single crochet, worked alternately, are together about 4 1/8 in (10.5 cm) high; a cluster and its ch 1 are as wide as 2 sts. Single crochet (UK: double crochet): 16 sts and 18.5 rows or rounds to 4 in (10 cm). Cherry: two rounds of single crochet, about 1 in (2.5 cm) across.

Notes

- Children's sizes, by chest, hip and torso; they are for about the age they are called by.
- Before the elastic draws it in, the bodice is from 2 in (5 cm) to 3½ in (9 cm) wider than the chest, so that it goes over the hips; the bloomers are from 6 in (15 cm) to 6½ in (16.5 cm) wider than the hip. Front, gusset and back together are from 9¼ in (23.5 cm) to 12¾ in (32.5 cm) shorter than the torso: the ties over the shoulders make up the rest. No fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The bodice, the bloomers, the legs, the frills and the cherries are worked in rounds that are not turned; the right side always faces you. The back rise, the ties, the pocket, the stems and the leaf are worked in rows.
- The chain at the start of a round (ch 1 for single and half double crochet, ch 2 for a cluster) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of the round into the stitch at its base, where the round was joined.
- The turning chain of a row (ch 1) never counts as a stitch either: work the first stitch of every row into the first stitch.

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- In the rounds of clusters every cluster stands on a cluster of the round of clusters before, with a round of single crochet between them; the first round of clusters stands on rnd 6. To work into a chain space, insert the hook under the whole chain.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- Whip stitch: sew over and over through the edges of both pieces.
- Left and right are those of the person who wears the romper.
- Torso: measure from the top of one shoulder down the front, between the legs and up the back to the same place. The romper is put on by stepping in through the top edge, with the ties open.
- Color changes in rows: work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again at the same edge within 6 rows and that edge is straight, carry it loosely up the edge.
- 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), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch, **sp** space.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 hdc in next st: both in one stitch. **hdc in each of next 14 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 54 times: work what is inside 54 times in all.
(108 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.

cluster (cluster of 3 double crochet (UK cluster of 3 treble)): [yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch or space named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 3 times in the same place (4 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 4 loops.

Bodice

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work the foundation chain loosely: it must go over the hips. Rnds 1 to 6 are the casing of the top edge; the bodice hangs from it. With yarn A, ch 108; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain. Colors: rnds 1 to 7 yarn A; then, counted from rnd 8: 1 rnd yarn B, 1 rnd yarn A; repeat these 2 rnds to the end (the last repeat may stop part way).	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; sc in each ch around; join with sl st in first sc	(108 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3** 2 3	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(108 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; sc in back loop only of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(108 sc)

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☐ **Rnds 5 to 6**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(108 sc)
5 6		
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 2; **[**cluster in next st, ch 1, skip next st**] 54 times**; join with sl st in first cluster	(54 clusters, 54 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 54 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(108 sc)
☐ **Rnds 9 to 20**	Repeat Rnds 7 and 8, 6 more times	(108 sc)
9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20		
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Rnd 20 is the waist.	

Back rise

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	These rows raise the back of the waist: they lie on the back alone, and each row after the first goes on into 14 sts more of rnd 20 of the bodice, beside the row below. Hold the bodice with the right side facing and rnd 20 uppermost. Count the sts of rnd 20 from its join, at the middle of the back, and join yarn A in the 96th st, 13 sts before the join; ch 1, hdc in that st and in each of the next 12 sts to the end of the rnd, then hdc in each of the first 13 sts of the rnd (26 hdc). This is row 1, a right side row.
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across, then hdc in each of next 14 sts of rnd 20 (54 hdc)
2 3	
☐ **End**	Row 3 is a right side row; it has 54 sts, 27 at each side of the middle of the back, and 54 sts of rnd 20 are left free. Fasten off.

Bloomers

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the bodice with the right side facing and the last row of the back rise uppermost. Join yarn A in the 28th st of row 3 of the back rise, the first st after the middle of the back; ch 1, hdc in that st and in each of the next 26 sts to the end of row 3, hdc in each of the 54 free sts of rnd 20 of the bodice, then hdc in each of the first 27 sts of row 3 (108 hdc); join with sl st in first hdc. This is rnd 1. The beginning of the rounds is the middle of the back.
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**hdc in next 6 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 12 times**; join with sl st in first hdc (124 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 3 to 33**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc (124 hdc)
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	
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Count the sts of rnd 33 from its join, at the middle of the back: sts 1 to 62 are the right half, as worn, and sts 63 to 124 are the left half, so that the middle of the front lies between sts 62 and 63.

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Right leg, as worn

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the bloomers with the right side facing and the opening of the right leg, as worn, uppermost. Join yarn A in ch 5 of the gusset chain, counted from the front; ch 1, then go around the opening: hdc in each of chs 5 to 8 of the gusset chain (4 hdc); hdc in each of sts 1 to 62 of rnd 33 of the bloomers (62 hdc); hdc in each of chs 1 to 4 of the gusset chain (4 hdc). There are 70 hdc in all; join with sl st in first hdc. This is rnd 1. The beginning of the rounds is the inside of the leg.	
☐ **Rnds 2 to 5** 2 3 4 5	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 6 to 8** 6 7 8	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1; sc in back loop only of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **Rnds 10 to 11** 10 11	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 46 in (115 cm) for sewing. Rnd 8 is the lower edge of the leg; rnds 9 to 11 will lie inside.	

Left leg, as worn

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the bloomers with the right side facing and the opening of the left leg, as worn, uppermost. Join yarn A in the free side of ch 4 of the gusset chain, counted from the front; ch 1, then go around the opening: hdc in the free side of each of chs 4 to 1 of the gusset chain (4 hdc); hdc in each of sts 63 to 124 of rnd 33 of the bloomers (62 hdc); hdc in the free side of each of chs 8 to 5 of the gusset chain (4 hdc). There are 70 hdc in all; join with sl st in first hdc. This is rnd 1. The beginning of the rounds is the inside of the leg.	
☐ **Rnds 2 to 5** 2 3 4 5	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 6 to 8** 6 7 8	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1; sc in back loop only of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **Rnds 10 to 11** 10 11	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 46 in (115 cm) for sewing. Rnd 8 is the lower edge of the leg; rnds 9 to 11 will lie inside.	

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Shoulder tie: make 4

Yarn B, cherry.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 53.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(52 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(52 sc)
	2 3	
☐ **End**	The tie is about 13 in (33 cm) long and ¾ in (2 cm) wide. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 8 in (20 cm) for sewing: this end hangs at the end of the tie that is sewn down.	

Pocket

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 15. Colors: rows 1 to 14 yarn A; rows 15 and 16 yarn B.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(14 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(14 sc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	
☐ **End**	The pocket is about 3½ in (9 cm) wide and 3½ in (9 cm) deep. Fasten off.	

Cherry: make 2

Yarn B, cherry.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; 2 sc in each of next 6 sts; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Stems

Yarn C, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn C, ch 16.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(15 sl sts)
☐ **End**	This cord is the stems of both cherries: it is folded in the middle. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 8 in (20 cm) for sewing.	

Leaf

Yarn C, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn C, ch 3.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(2 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, 2 sc in last st	(4 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(4 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog twice	(2 sc)

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☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog	(1 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 8 in (20 cm) for sewing. Row 5 is the tip of the leaf, and the foundation chain its foot.	

Assembly

1. Gusset chain: Hold the bloomers with the right side facing and rnd 33, its lower edge, uppermost. Join yarn A with a sl st in st 62 of rnd 33, the last st of the right half at the front; ch 8, bring the chain across to the back without twisting it, and join with a sl st in st 1 of the same rnd, the first st of the right half at the back. Fasten off. The 8 chs lie between the legs: ch 1 is at the front, ch 8 at the back. In the first round of each leg work into sts 1, 62, 63 and 124 themselves, not into the slip stitches.

2. Leg frill (make 2): Work this at step 4 of Assembly. Hold a leg with the right side facing and its lower edge uppermost. Rnd 9 left the front loops of rnd 8 free; they lie along the fold. Join yarn B in the free loop of the first st of rnd 8, at the inside of the leg; ch 1, [(sc, ch 2, sc) in next free loop, skip next free loop] 35 times, the first time in that first loop (70 sc, 35 ch-2 sps); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1 and the only round. Fasten off.

3. Top edge: fold rnds 1 to 3 of the bodice to the inside along the ridge that the free loops of rnd 3 make, so that the foundation chain lies behind rnd 6. With a new length of yarn A of about 70 in (180 cm) whip stitch the 108 chs of the foundation chain to the backs of the 108 sts of rnd 6, one to one, with stitches that do not show on the right side; leave about 2 in (5 cm) open at the middle of the back. Cut a piece of elastic 3/8 in (1 cm) wide and 25 in (63.5 cm) long, draw it through the casing with a safety pin, lap its two ends 1 in (2.5 cm) and sew them together firmly with sewing thread. The elastic is now 24 in (61 cm) around, 1 in (2.5 cm) less than the chest. Sew the rest of the casing shut with the end of yarn A.

4. Shoulder ties: count the sts of rnd 6 of the bodice from its join, at the middle of the back. Sew a tie to each of these four places: over sts 15 to 17 and sts 92 to 94 at the back, and over sts 38 to 40 and sts 69 to 71 at the front. Lay ½ in (1.5 cm) of the end of the tie on the inside of the casing, so that the tie stands up, and sew it down firmly on all its sides with its own end. Tie each front tie and the back tie of the same side over the shoulder in a short bow.

5. Legs: at each leg fold rnds 9 to 11 to the inside along the ridge that the free loops of rnd 8 make, so that the top of rnd 11 lies behind rnd 6. With the end of the leg whip stitch the 70 sts of rnd 11 to the backs of the 70 sts of rnd 6, one to one; leave about 1½ in (4 cm) open at the inside of the leg. Cut a piece of elastic 3/8 in (1 cm) wide and 15¾ in (40 cm) long, draw it through, lap its two ends 1 in (2.5 cm) and sew them together firmly. It is now 14¾ in (37.5 cm) around, ½ in (1.5 cm) more than a thigh of 14¼ in (36 cm). Sew the casing shut with the rest of the end.

6. Leg frills: work one on each leg now, as written above.

7. Cherries: lay the pocket with its right side up and yarn B uppermost. Sew the two cherries to it, right side up, each all around with its own end: the middle of one on row 5 at the 5th st from the right edge, the middle of the other on row 5 at the 10th st from the right edge. Fold the stems in the middle and lay the fold on row 12, between the 7th and the 8th st, and one end at the top of each cherry. Sew them down along their whole length with their own end. Lay the leaf with its foot at the fold and its tip pointing up to the right, and sew it down with its own end, from the tip along its middle to the foot.

8. Pocket: lay it on the left front of the bloomers, as worn, with its upper edge along the line between rnds 4 and 5 and over sts 70 to 83 of rnd 5, counted from the join at the middle of the back. Its lower edge comes to about rnd 16. Pin it, and with a new length of yarn A of about 30 in (75 cm) whip stitch it down one side, along the lower edge and up the other side; the top stays open.

Finishing

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

In all: 9 pieces.

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