Easy mesh shrug

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



Finished size
About 39¼ in (99.5 cm) at the bust and about 16 in (40.5 cm) long
To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm)

Skill
Easy
Basic stitches, simple shaping and seams

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In mesh stitch.

What you need

Yarn: any one color (lavender in the picture), medium (4) **about 400 yd (366 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 200 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure and stitch markers.

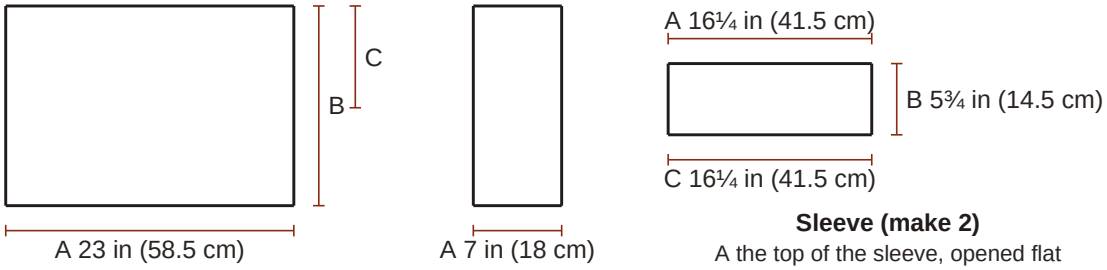
Sizes

Size	To fit bust	Yarn, an estimate	Bust, fronts laid side by side	Length	Armhole depth	Sleeve	Upper sleeve	Back neck (before the edging)
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	about 325 yd (297 m)	32 in (81.5 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)	7 in (18 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	13¾ in (35 cm)	9 in (23 cm)
S	33 in (84 cm)	about 375 yd (343 m)	36¼ in (92 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	15 in (38 cm)	8¼ in (21 cm)
M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**about 400 yd (366 m)**	**39¼ in (99.5 cm)**	**16 in (40.5 cm)**	**8¼ in (21 cm)**	**5¾ in (14.5 cm)**	**16¼ in (41.5 cm)**	**9 in (23 cm)**
L	41 in (104 cm)	about 425 yd (389 m)	43 in (109 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	17 in (43 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)
1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	about 450 yd (411 m)	47¼ in (120 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	18¼ in (46.5 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	about 525 yd (480 m)	51¾ in (131.5 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	18¾ in (47.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	about 550 yd (503 m)	54¾ in (139 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	10 in (25.5 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)
4X	57 in (145 cm)	about 600 yd (549 m)	59¾ in (152 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	21¼ in (54 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)

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5X	61 in (155 cm)	about 625 yd (572 m)	62¾ in (159.5 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	11 in (28 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	21¾ in (55 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)

Schematic



Back
A the width
B 16 in (40.5 cm), the length
C 8¼ in (21 cm), the armhole

Front (make 2)
A each front

Sleeve (make 2)
A the top of the sleeve, opened flat
B the sleeve
C around the cuff

Gauge

13 stitches and 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in mesh stitch.

Count every stitch and every chain as 1; the skipped stitches under the chains are not counted again.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 21. Row 1 (RS): Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across. Row 2: Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, [ch 1, skip next st, dc in next st] 9 times. Rows 3 to 10: Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 sp, dc in next st] 9 times. The swatch of 10 rows is about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) wide and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) high. Measure 4 in (10 cm) in the middle. Use a larger hook if your swatch is small, a smaller one if it is large.

Instructions

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dc double crochet (UK tr), **ch** chain, **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **st** stitch.
ch-1 sp: the hole under the chain. The hook goes in the hole, never into a chain.
The ch 2 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.
[ ] 37 times: 37 times in all. (38 dc, 37 ch-1 sps): the row now has that many; a check, not a step.
Also: RS right side, sp space.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

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.

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Back

☐ **Start**	Make a slip knot. Ch 77.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	(75 dc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**ch 1, skip next st, dc in next st**] 37 times**	(38 dc, 37 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 3 to 28**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**ch 1, skip next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 37 times**	(38 dc, 37 ch-1 sps)

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

☐ The back measures about 23 in (58.5 cm) wide and 16 in (40.5 cm) long. Fasten off.

Front: make 2

☐ **Start**	Ch 25.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	(23 dc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**ch 1, skip next st, dc in next st**] 11 times**	(12 dc, 11 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 3 to 28**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**ch 1, skip next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 11 times**	(12 dc, 11 ch-1 sps)

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

☐ The front measures about 7 in (18 cm) wide; the front edging adds about 1 1/8 in (3 cm) to it later (the bust in the size list counts it). All 23 sts and spaces of the top edge are the shoulder. Fasten off.

Sleeve: make 2

☐ **Start**	Ch 55.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	(53 dc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**ch 1, skip next st, dc in next st**] 26 times**	(27 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 3 to 10**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**ch 1, skip next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 26 times**	(27 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)

3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

☐ The sleeve measures about 16¼ in (41.5 cm) across the top and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) long. The foundation chain is the lower edge of the sleeve and the last row is its top edge. Fasten off.

Front edging

☐ **Start**	Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side facing, join the yarn at the lower corner of the right front edge (as worn); ch 1, 52 sc evenly along the 28 row ends of the right front, up to the shoulder, work 29 sc evenly across the back neck, 52 sc evenly along the 28 row ends of the left front, down to the hem; 133 sc in all. This is row 1.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 50 sts, sc2tog twice, sc in next 25 sts, sc2tog twice, sc in next 50 sts	(129 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 49 sts, sc2tog twice, sc in next 23 sts, sc2tog twice, sc in next 49 sts	(125 sc)

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☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 48 sts, sc2tog twice, sc in next 21 sts, sc2tog twice, sc in next 48 sts (121 sc)
☐	The decreases fall at the two shoulder seams and turn the corners, so that the edging lies flat. Fasten off.

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the fronts on the back with right sides together and the side edges level. Sew the 23 shoulder sts and spaces of each front to the 23 sts and spaces at each end of the back, and leave the middle 29 sts and spaces of the back, about 9 in (23 cm), open for the neck.

2. Sleeves: place a marker on each side edge of the body 8¼ in (21 cm) below the shoulder seam (about 14 rows), front and back; this is half the top edge of the sleeve. With right sides together, put the middle of the top edge of a sleeve at each shoulder seam and sew the top edge to the body between the markers.

3. Sides and sleeves: sew each side seam from the marker down to the hem, and each sleeve seam from the underarm to the lower edge.

4. Front edging: work it now, as written above.

Finishing

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

In all: 5 pieces; 2,762 stitches (1,101 in the back, 347 in each front, 296 in each sleeve, 375 in the front edging).

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.

Notes

- The finished bust is from 1¾ in (4.5 cm) to 3¼ in (8.5 cm) wider than the body measurement, by the size. It is meant to be worn open. Choose by the finished measurement you like; 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.
- Odd-numbered rows are right side rows. Mark the right side of each piece with a stitch marker or a scrap of yarn.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- Stitches worked evenly along row ends: about 13 sc in every 7 rows.
- Sew every seam with the yarn needle and the same yarn.

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