Open front cardigan with rib band

Size M · US terms



Finished size

About 43 in (109 cm) at the bust and about 22¾ in (58 cm) long

To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm)

Skill

Easy

Basic stitches, simple shaping and seams.

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge

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

In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: sage, the main color	**about 1,225 yd (1,120 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, the second color	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, stitch markers 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	Bust, fronts laid side by side	Length	Armhole depth	Sleeve	Upper sleeve	Back neck	Yarn, an estimate
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	35¾ in (91 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	7 in (18 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,060 yd (969 m)
Size S	33 in (84 cm)	39½ in (100.5 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,170 yd (1,070 m)
Size M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**43 in (109 cm)**	**22¾ in (58 cm)**	**8 in (20.5 cm)**	**16¾ in (42.5 cm)**	**16 in (40.5 cm)**	**9¼ in (23.5 cm)**	**about 1,270 yd (1,161 m)**
Size L	41 in (104 cm)	46¾ in (118.5 cm)	22¾ in (58 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,370 yd (1,253 m)
1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	51¾ in (131.5 cm)	22¾ in (58 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	16¼ in (41.5 cm)	17¾ in (45 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,470 yd (1,344 m)

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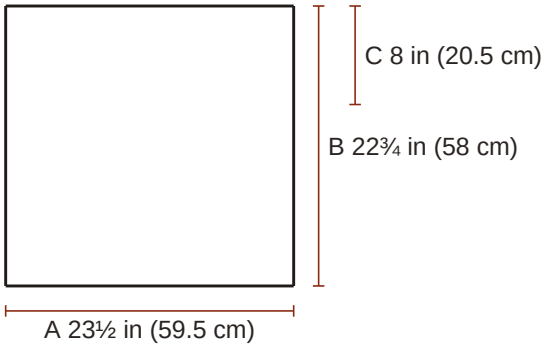
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	55½ in (141 cm)	23¼ in (59 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	16¼ in (41.5 cm)	19 in (48.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,570 yd (1,436 m)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	58½ in (148.5 cm)	23¼ in (59 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	15¾ in (40 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	about 1,645 yd (1,504 m)
4X	57 in (145 cm)	62¼ in (158 cm)	23¾ in (60.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	15¾ in (40 cm)	21 in (53.5 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	about 1,770 yd (1,618 m)
5X	61 in (155 cm)	67 in (170 cm)	23¾ in (60.5 cm)	11 in (28 cm)	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	about 1,845 yd (1,687 m)

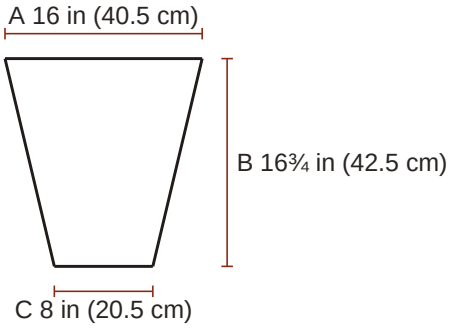
Schematic



Back
A the width
B the length
C the armhole



Front (make 2)
A each front



Sleeve (make 2)
A the top of the sleeve
B the sleeve
C the cuff

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch chain
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st stitch
RS right side
back loop only under the one loop of the stitch that is farther from you

Gauge

13 stitches and 15 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 21; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 22 rows of single crochet on 20 sts, about 6¼ in (16 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. Ribs: worked sideways, 14 rows and 13 sts to 4 in (10 cm), so a rib of 8 sts is about 2½ in (6.5 cm) deep.

Before you start

- The finished bust is from 5¼ in (13.5 cm) to 6¾ in (17 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.

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- In back loop only: insert the hook under the loop of the stitch that is farther from you, and leave the nearer loop free.
- The turning chain (ch 1 for single 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.
- The ribs are worked sideways in back-loop single crochet (UK: double crochet). The body and sleeves are worked up from a long edge, one stitch in the end of each rib row. The rib draws in: it is a little narrower than the body above it.
- Sew every seam with the yarn needle and yarn A, but each pocket with its own long end.

Instructions

Chosen: Size M. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Hem rib

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 76**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	**(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 76: tick them off as you go.

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 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Back

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across	**(76 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 76**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(76 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 76: tick them off as you go.

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 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76

☐ **End** The back measures about 23½ in (59.5 cm) wide and 22¾ in (58 cm) long. Fasten off.

Front hem rib: make 2, one for each front

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 23**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	**(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 23: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

☐ **End** Fasten off.

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Front: make 2

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold a front hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across	**(23 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 76**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(23 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 76: tick them off as you go.

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 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76

☐ **End** The front measures about 7 in (18 cm) wide above the hem rib; the front band adds about 2¾ in (7 cm) to it later (the bust in the size list counts it). All 23 sts of the top edge are the shoulder. Fasten off.

Cuff rib: make 2

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	**(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 26: tick them off as you go.

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

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Sleeve: make 2

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold a cuff rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 4 to 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 4 to 5: tick them off as you go.

4 5

☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(34 sc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(34 sc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(34 sc)**

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☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(38 sc)**
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(38 sc)**
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(38 sc)**
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(44 sc)**
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(44 sc)**
☐ **Row 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(44 sc)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Row 37**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Row 38**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Row 39**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	**(52 sc)**
☐ **Row 40**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(52 sc)**
☐ **Row 41**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(52 sc)**
☐ **Rows 42 to 54**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(52 sc)**

A box for each row, 42 to 54: tick them off as you go.

☐ 42 ☐ 43 ☐ 44 ☐ 45 ☐ 46 ☐ 47 ☐ 48 ☐ 49 ☐ 50 ☐ 51 ☐ 52 ☐ 53 ☐ 54

☐ **End**	The sleeve measures about 16 in (40.5 cm) across the top and 16¾ in (42.5 cm) long. Fasten off.

Front band

Yarn A, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(9 sc)**

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☐ **Rows 2 to 192**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	**(9 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 192: tick them off as you go.

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 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88
89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117
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176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187 188 189 190 191 192

☐ **End**	The band measures about 2¾ in (7 cm) wide and 54¾ in (139 cm) long, unstretched. Fasten off.	

Pocket: make 2

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 17.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(16 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 18: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 40 in (100 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the fronts on the back with right sides together and the side edges level. Sew the 23 shoulder sts of each front to the 23 sts at each end of the back, and leave the middle 30 sts of the back open for the neck.

2. Sleeves: place a marker on each side edge of the body 8 in (20.5 cm) below the shoulder seam (about 30 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 cuff edge.

4. Band: pin the middle of one long edge of the band to the middle of the back neck and its two ends to the lower corners of the fronts. Ease it evenly between the pins and sew it on.

5. Pockets: sew one to the right side of each front, its lower edge just above the hem rib and centered on the front, with the top left open.

Finishing

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

In all: 8 pieces; 17,544 stitches (608 in the hem rib, 5,776 in the back, 184 in each front hem rib, 1,748 in each front, 208 in each cuff rib, 2,288 in each sleeve, 1,728 in the front band, 288 in each pocket).

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