Red rose maxi dress, shoulder cut outs

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



Finished size

About 38½ in (98 cm) at the bust and squares of about 4¼ in (11 cm)

To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm) and a hip of 39 in (99 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

Squares with raised petals, rounds with increases, seams stitch to stitch and edgings

Yarn

Light (3), 3 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

16 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: cream, main color — **about 2,325 yd (2,126 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: crimson, contrast — **about 190 yd (174 m), an estimate**

Yarn C: leaf, the neck edging and the sleeve — **about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 1,050 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 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. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	To fit bust	Yarn, an estimate	Bust	Each square	Yoke across	Armhole depth	Neck across	Width of each strap	Sleeve around at the top	Sleeve from the underarm	Shoulder opening along the sleeve	Hem around	Length from the shoulder
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	about 2,320 yd (2,121 m)	30½ in (77.5 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	8¼ in (21 cm)	2 in (5 cm)	15 in (38 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	55¼ in (140.5 cm)	54¼ in (138 cm)
S	33 in (84 cm)	about 2,420 yd (2,213 m)	34½ in (87.5 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	15¼ in (38.5 cm)	8¼ in (21 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	2¼ in (5.5 cm)	15 in (38 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	55¼ in (140.5 cm)	54¾ in (139 cm)
M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**about 2,610 yd (2,387 m)**	**38½ in (98 cm)**	**4¼ in (11 cm)**	**16¼ in (41.5 cm)**	**8¼ in (21 cm)**	**8¾ in (22 cm)**	**2¼ in (5.5 cm)**	**16 in (40.5 cm)**	**10½ in (26.5 cm)**	**8 in (20.5 cm)**	**59½ in (151 cm)**	**54¾ in (139 cm)**

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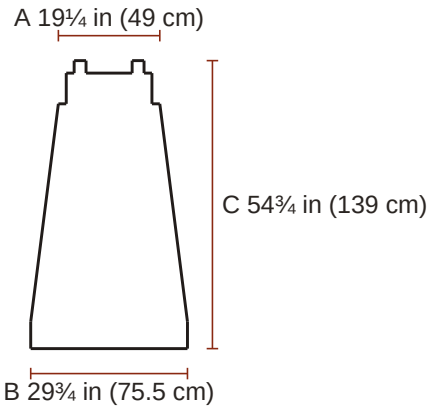
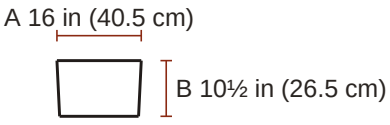
L	41 in (104 cm)	about 2,850 yd (2,606 m)	42½ in (108 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	2¼ in (5.5 cm)	17½ in (44.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	63¾ in (162 cm)	55¾ in (141.5 cm)
1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	about 3,105 yd (2,839 m)	46½ in (118 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	17¾ in (45 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	2½ in (6.5 cm)	18½ in (47 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	7 in (18 cm)	68 in (172.5 cm)	56¾ in (144 cm)
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	about 3,335 yd (3,050 m)	50½ in (128.5 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	18¾ in (47.5 cm)	10 in (25.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	2½ in (6.5 cm)	21 in (53.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	72¼ in (183.5 cm)	57 in (145 cm)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	about 3,620 yd (3,310 m)	54½ in (138.5 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	18¾ in (47.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	2½ in (6.5 cm)	25 in (63.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	76½ in (194.5 cm)	57½ in (146 cm)

Schematic



Dress, laid flat, without the sleeves
A half the bust
B half the hem
C the length from the shoulder



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

Gauge

16 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 26; begin in the 3rd ch from the hook and work 13 rows of 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. Rose square: about 4¼ in (11 cm) along each side. Single crochet (UK: double crochet): about 18.5 rows to 4 in (10 cm). Straps, half double crochet (UK: half treble): 13.5 rows to 4 in (10 cm).

Notes

- The finished bust is 1½ in (4 cm) wider than the body measurement at each size. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The skirt is worked in rounds from the underarms down, the squares in rounds from their middle. The rounds are not turned; the right side always faces you.

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- The chain at the start of a round or row (ch 1 for single and half double crochet, ch 2 for double crochet and for a cluster) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch into the first stitch of the row or round below, at the base of that chain, and the last stitch into its last stitch.
- To work into a chain space, insert the hook under the whole chain.
- A cluster counts as one stitch.
- In rnd 4 of a square the chains lie behind the petals.
- The skirt goes over the head; it widens steadily from the underarms to the hem and has no waist seam.
- 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.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together, put the needle through both from back to front, bring the yarn over the edges and go in again from the back, one stitch along.
- Each square 4¼ in (11 cm).

Instructions

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

RS right side, the one that shows.

2 dc in next st: both in one stitch. **dc in next 10 sts**: one in each. **ch-4 sp**: the gap under four chains; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.

(154 dc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

cluster: [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.

Skirt

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 154; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 2; dc in each ch around; join with sl st in first dc	(154 dc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 6**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(154 dc)
2 3 4 5 6		
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 2; dc in next 10 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 18 sts**] 6 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 19 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 9 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(162 dc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 14**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(162 dc)
8 9 10 11 12 13 14		

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☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next 17 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 9 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(171 dc)
☐ **Rnds 16 to 22**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(171 dc)
	16 17 18 19 20 21 22	
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 2; dc in next 10 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 20 sts**] 5 times**, [2 dc in next st, dc in next 21 sts] twice, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 11 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(179 dc)
☐ **Rnds 24 to 30**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(179 dc)
	24 25 26 27 28 29 30	
☐ **Rnd 31**	Ch 2; dc in next 18 sts, 2 dc in next st, **[**dc in next 19 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(188 dc)
☐ **Rnds 32 to 38**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(188 dc)
	32 33 34 35 36 37 38	
☐ **Rnd 39**	Ch 2; dc in next 12 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 22 sts**] 4 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 23 sts**] 3 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 11 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(196 dc)
☐ **Rnds 40 to 46**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(196 dc)
	40 41 42 43 44 45 46	
☐ **Rnd 47**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next 23 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 24 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(204 dc)
☐ **Rnds 48 to 54**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(204 dc)
	48 49 50 51 52 53 54	
☐ **Rnd 55**	Ch 2; dc in next 11 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 21 sts**] 3 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 22 sts**] 5 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 11 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(213 dc)
☐ **Rnds 56 to 62**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(213 dc)
	56 57 58 59 60 61 62	
☐ **Rnd 63**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next 25 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 3 times**, **[**dc in next 26 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 5 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(221 dc)
☐ **Rnds 64 to 70**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(221 dc)
	64 65 66 67 68 69 70	
☐ **Rnd 71**	Ch 2; dc in next 12 sts, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 23 sts**] 4 times**, **[**2 dc in next st, dc in next 24 sts**] 4 times**, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 12 sts; join with sl st in first dc	(230 dc)
☐ **Rnds 72 to 78**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(230 dc)
	72 73 74 75 76 77 78	
☐ **Rnd 79**	Ch 2; [dc in next 27 sts, 2 dc in next st] twice, **[**dc in next 28 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(238 dc)

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☐ **Rnds 80 to 88** 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(238 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Front panel

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Turn the skirt so that its foundation chain is uppermost. The chain has 154 chs; they are counted along their free side, from the first ch to the left of the beginning of the rounds, at the left side (as worn): chs 1 to 77 are the front and chs 78 to 154 are the back; 6 chs at each end of each stay free under the arms. With the right side facing, join yarn A in ch 7. This piece is worked in rows on that ch and the next 64 chs, to ch 71 (65 chs).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 2; dc in next 65 chs	(65 dc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	(65 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Back panel

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Chs 78 to 154 are the back. With the right side facing, join yarn A in ch 84. This piece is worked in rows on that ch and the next 64 chs, to ch 148 (65 chs).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 2; dc in next 65 chs	(65 dc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	(65 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Rose square: make 20

Yarn B, crimson.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. Colors: rnds 1 to 3 yarn B; rnd 4 yarn C; rnds 5 and 6 yarn A.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 8 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2; **[**2 dc in back loop only of next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(16 dc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, 3 dc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(8 sc, 24 dc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 2; **[**(cluster, ch 4, cluster) in next st, ch 2, skip next 3 sts, sc in next st, ch 2, skip next 3 sts**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first cluster	(8 clusters, 4 ch-4 sps, 8 ch-2 sps, 4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-4 sp, dc in next st, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(52 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

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☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1; sc in next 4 sts, **[**(sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 13 sts**] 3 times**, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 9 sts; join with sl st in first sc	(60 sc, 4 ch-2 sps)
☐ **End**	Each side has 15 sc between two ch-2 sps, the corners. Fasten off.	

Yoke side strip: make 4, two on each yoke

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 2 of Assembly. With the right side of a yoke facing and one of its two short edges uppermost, join yarn A in the corner space at the right-hand end; ch 1, sc in the ch-2 sp at the corner, in each of the 15 sts and in the ch-2 sp at the next corner of the square (17 sc). This is row 1, a right side row.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	(17 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Yoke top edge: make 2, one on each yoke

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side of a yoke facing and the long edge across from the lower edge uppermost, join yarn A in the end of the last row of the side strip at the right-hand end; ch 1, along rows 1 to 8 of the yoke side strip, met from the last of them, 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 3 rows (7 sc); [sc in the ch-2 sp at the corner, in each of the 15 sts and in the ch-2 sp at the next corner of the next square] 3 times (51 sc); along rows 1 to 8 of the yoke side strip, 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 (7 sc). There are 65 sc in all. This is row 1, a right side row.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(65 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

First strap: make 2, one on each yoke

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side of a yoke facing and its top edge uppermost, the sts of row 2 of the yoke top edge are counted from the right-hand end. Join yarn A in st 7. This strap is worked in rows on that st and the next 8 sts, to st 15 (9 sts); 6 sts stay free at the right-hand end.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; hdc in each st across	(9 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 8**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	(9 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 8 in (20 cm) for sewing.	

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Second strap: make 2, one on each yoke

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side of a yoke facing and its top edge uppermost, the sts of row 2 of the yoke top edge are counted from the right-hand end. Join yarn A in st 51. This strap is worked in rows on that st and the next 8 sts, to st 59 (9 sts); the 35 sts between the two straps are the neck, and 6 sts stay free at the left-hand end.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; hdc in each st across	(9 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 8** 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(9 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 8 in (20 cm) for sewing.	

Hem band, lower edge

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 8 of Assembly. Colors: rnd 1 yarn A; rnd 2 yarn C; rnd 3 yarn B. With the right side of the hem band facing and its lower edge uppermost, join yarn A in a corner space just to the left of a seam; ch 1, [sc in the ch-2 sp at the corner, in each of the 15 sts and in the ch-2 sp at the next corner of the next square] 14 times (238 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3** 2 3	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(238 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Neck edging

Yarn C, leaf.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 10 of Assembly. Colors: rnd 1 yarn C; rnd 2 yarn A. With the right side facing and the neck uppermost, join yarn C at the left shoulder seam (as worn); ch 1, down the strap of the front along rows 1 to 8 of the first 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 7 rows (9 sc); sc in each of the 35 sts between the straps of the front (35 sc); up the next strap of the front along rows 1 to 8 of the second strap, sc in the end of each of the next 7 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row (9 sc); down the strap of the back along rows 1 to 8 of the first 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 7 rows (9 sc); sc in each of the 35 sts between the straps of the back (35 sc); up the next strap of the back along rows 1 to 8 of the second strap, sc in the end of each of the next 7 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row (9 sc). There are 106 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	(106 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Sleeve: make 2

Yarn C, leaf.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn C, ch 62. Colors: row 1 yarn C; row 2 yarn B; rows 3 to 23 yarn A.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	(60 dc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 7**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	(60 dc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7	
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 2, turn; 2 dc in first st, dc in each st across to last st, 2 dc in last st	(62 dc)
☐ **Rows 9 to 15**	Repeat Rows 2 to 8, once more	(64 dc)
	9 10 11 12 13 14 15	
☐ **Rows 16 to 22**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	(64 dc)
	16 17 18 19 20 21 22	
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(64 sc)
☐ **End**	The foundation chain is the lower edge. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 22 in (55 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Rose center (make 20): Work this before the squares are joined. The front loops of rnd 1 of the square were left free by rnd 2. With the right side of a square facing and the petals folded out of the way, join yarn B in the free front loop of the first st of rnd 1; ch 1, (sc, hdc, sc) in the free front loop of each of the 8 sts of rnd 1 (24 sts); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1, the only one. The small petals stand up in the middle of the rose. Fasten off.

2. Yoke lower edge (make 2): Work this at step 2 of Assembly. With the right side of a yoke facing and one of its two long edges, from now on its lower edge, uppermost, join yarn A in the end of the last row of the side strip at the right-hand end; ch 1, along rows 1 to 8 of the yoke side strip, met from the last of them, 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 3 rows (7 sc); [sc in the ch-2 sp at the corner, in each of the 15 sts and in the ch-2 sp at the next corner of the next square] 3 times (51 sc); along rows 1 to 8 of the yoke side strip, 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 (7 sc). There are 65 sc in all. This is row 1, a right side row. Fasten off.

3. Hem band, upper edge: Work this at step 3 of Assembly. With the right side of the hem band facing and one of its two long edges, from now on its upper edge, uppermost, join yarn A in a corner space just to the left of a seam; ch 1, [sc in the ch-2 sp at the corner, in each of the 15 sts and in the ch-2 sp at the next corner of the next square] 14 times (238 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 152 in (385 cm) for sewing.

4. Right armhole edging, as worn: Work this at step 5 of Assembly. With the right side facing and the right armhole (as worn) uppermost, join yarn A in ch 78 of the foundation chain of the skirt, at the middle of the underarm; ch 1, sc in each of the 6 free chs 78 to 83 (6 sc); up the back along rows 1 to 2 of the back panel, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows (4 sc); skip the end of the yoke lower edge, sc in each of the 17 sts of the last row of the yoke side strip (17 sc); sc in the end of each of the 2 rows of the yoke top edge (2 sc); sc in each of the 6 free sts of row 2 of the yoke top edge (6 sc); up the strap to the shoulder seam along rows 1 to 8 of the first strap, sc in the end of each of the next 7 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row (9 sc); down the strap on the other side of the seam along rows 1 to 8 of the second 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 7 rows (9 sc); sc in each of the 6 free sts of row 2 of the other yoke top edge (6 sc); sc in the end of each of the 2 rows of the other yoke top edge (2 sc); sc in each of the 17 sts of the last row of the other yoke side strip (17 sc), skip the end of the other yoke lower edge; down the front along rows 1 to 2 of the front panel, met from the last of them, 2 sc in the

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end of each of the next 2 rows (4 sc); sc in each of the 6 free chs 72 to 77 (6 sc). There are 88 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1. Fasten off.

5. Left armhole edging, as worn: Work this at step 5 of Assembly. With the right side facing and the left armhole (as worn) uppermost, join yarn A in ch 1 of the foundation chain of the skirt, at the middle of the underarm; ch 1, sc in each of the 6 free chs 1 to 6 (6 sc); up the front along rows 1 to 2 of the front panel, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows (4 sc); skip the end of the yoke lower edge, sc in each of the 17 sts of the last row of the yoke side strip (17 sc); sc in the end of each of the 2 rows of the yoke top edge (2 sc); sc in each of the 6 free sts of row 2 of the yoke top edge (6 sc); up the strap to the shoulder seam along rows 1 to 8 of the first strap, sc in the end of each of the next 7 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row (9 sc); down the strap on the other side of the seam along rows 1 to 8 of the second 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 7 rows (9 sc); sc in each of the 6 free sts of row 2 of the other yoke top edge (6 sc); sc in the end of each of the 2 rows of the other yoke top edge (2 sc); sc in each of the 17 sts of the last row of the other yoke side strip (17 sc), skip the end of the other yoke lower edge; down the back along rows 1 to 2 of the back panel, met from the last of them, 2 sc in the end of each of the next 2 rows (4 sc); sc in each of the 6 free chs 149 to 154 (6 sc). There are 88 sc in all; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1. Fasten off.

6. Squares: to join squares, lay two squares with the right sides together and the sides level, and whip stitch them together with yarn A through both loops, from corner to corner: a ch of the corner space to a ch, the 15 sts to the 15 sts, a ch to a ch. Join 3 squares in a row for the yoke of the front, 3 in a row for the yoke of the back, and the other 14 in a row, and close that row to a ring: the hem band.

7. Yokes: work the yoke side strip on both short edges of each yoke, then the yoke lower edge, then the yoke top edge, then the first strap and the second strap, as written above.

8. Hem band: work the hem band, upper edge, as written above. Then, with the right sides outward, lay its 238 sts against the 238 sts of the last rnd of the skirt, the beginning of one to the beginning of the other, and whip stitch them together, stitch to stitch, with the end of the hem band, upper edge.

9. Work the hem band, lower edge, as written above.

10. Yokes on the dress: with the right sides outward lay the 65 sts of the yoke lower edge of one yoke against the 65 sts of the last row of the front panel and whip stitch them together with yarn A, stitch to stitch; sew the other yoke to the back panel in the same manner. Shoulders: with right sides together sew the 9 sts of the last row of the first strap of the front to the 9 sts of the last row of the second strap of the back, and the second strap of the front to the first strap of the back, stitch to stitch, with their own ends. Then work the right armhole edging, as worn, the left armhole edging, as worn, and the neck edging, as written above.

11. Sleeves: sew each sleeve seam, row end to row end, with right sides together and a new length of yarn A. The seam lies under the arm. An armhole edging has 88 sts, counted from its first st, at the middle of the underarm. Lay the sleeve in the armhole with right sides together, its seam at the middle of the underarm: sew the 16 sts of its last row on one side of the seam to sts 1 to 16 of the edging, and the 16 sts on the other side of the seam to sts 73 to 88, stitch to stitch, with the sleeve's own end. The middle 32 sts of the sleeve and sts 17 to 72 of the edging stay free: this is the opening at the shoulder.

Finishing

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

In all: 21 pieces.

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