One-Piece Broomstick Vest

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SKILL LEVEL

FINISHED SIZE

Women's small [medium, large] Pattern is written for smallest size with changes for larger sizes in brackets. Bust: 36 [40, 44] inches Shoulder to bottom edge: 18

[19¹/₈, 20¹/₄] inches Underarm to bottom edge: 10

[10, 10] inches

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Wool-Ease medium (worsted) weight yarn (3 oz/197 yds/85g per skein): 12 oz #180 forest green heather
- Size I/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size 35 knitting needle
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

14 sc = 4 inches; 18 sc rows = 4 inches

Check gauge to save time.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Vest is crocheted vertically in one piece from first front edge, across back and second front.

PATTERN STITCHES

Crossed treble (crossed tr): Sk 2 sts, tr in next st, ch 1, tr in first of skipped sts.

Puff st: [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up a lp] 4 times in same st, yo, draw through all 9 lps on hook.

BASIC BROOMSTICK CROCHET

Putting lps onto needle: Hold needle firmly. Many people do this by anchoring the broomstick between their thighs or under an arm.

Step 1: Work pattern instructions up to the point where you begin making broomstick lps.

Step 2: Enlarge the working lp and place it onto the knitting needle to make the first broomstick lp. (*If you are right-handed, the chain will be to the left of the needle; if you are lefthanded, the chain will be to the right of the needle.*)

Step 3: (*Sk st from which working lp extends unless otherwise instructed.*) Insert hook into next st as for a regular sc unless otherwise stated, yo and draw lp through, extend lp and place onto needle.

Step 4: Rep Step 3 for required number of sts. Unless otherwise instructed, this completes a row of pattern instructions.

Note: When taking up more than 1 lp in a st, insert hook first under the front lp only of the st into which you are working, then draw up the 2nd lp by inserting hook under the back lp of the same st.

Removing lps

Step 1: Turn needle a half turn so that the ridge created by the ch is now to the right of the needle if you are right-handed, to the left if you are left-handed.

Step 2: Insert hook through number of lps specified in instructions and remove them from needle onto crochet hook.

Step 3: Yo and draw yarn through loosely so sts will be at the top of the group of removed lps, sl st, ch 1.

Step 4: Make same number of sc in each removed group as there are lps in the group unless otherwise instructed (*Example: 2 sc to remove 2 lps, 4 sc to remove 4 lps.*)

Unless otherwise instructed, removing all lps from the needle completes 1 row of pattern instructions.

VEST

Row 1 (RS): Ch 47 [51, 55], sc in

2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across. (46, 50, 54 sc)

Row 2: Make 1 broomstick lp in each sc. (46, 50, 54 lps on hook)

Row 3: Remove lps in groups of 2 with 2 sc in each group (23, 25, 27 groups), turn. (46, 50, 54 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [puff st in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] 10 [11, 12] times, puff st in next st, sc in rem 2 sc, turn. (*11, 12, 13 puff sts*)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st. (46, 50, 54 sc)

Row 6: Rep Row 2.

Row 7: Rep Row 3.

Row 8: Ch 20, dc in 4th ch from hook, [work crossed tr over next 3 sts] rep across ch and previous row to last 2 [3, 1] sts, dc in each of last 2 [3, 1] sts, turn. (64, 68, 72 sts; including 20 [21, 23] sets of crossed tr)

Row 9: Rep Row 5. (64, 68, 72 sc)

Row 10: Rep Row 2. (64, 68, 72 lps)

Row 11: Remove lps in groups of 2 with 2 sc to last 6 lps, [remove in groups of 3 with 2 sc] twice, turn. (21, 23, 25 groups; 62, 66, 70 sc)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc in each of first 2 sc, [puff st in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] 15 [16, 17] times, turn. (62, 66, 70 sts; including 15, 16, 17 puff sts)

Row 13: Ch 1, sc in each st to last 4 sts, [sc dec over next 2 sts] twice. (60, 64, 68 sc)

Row 14: Rep Row 2. (60, 64, 68 lps)

Row 15: Rep Row 3, size small only, fasten off, turn. (*30, 32, 34 groups; 60, 64, 68 sc*)

Note: For size medium, rep Rows 14 and 15 once before fastening off. For size large, rep Rows 14 and 15 twice before fastening off, then continue in pattern for all sizes.

Row 16: Sk 13 [17, 21] sc, join yarn with sc in next sc, hdc in next sc, dc in next sc, [work crossed tr over next 3 sts] rep across to last 3 sts, dc in each of next 2 sts, turn. (47, 47, 47, 47, sts; including 14, 14, 14 sets of crossed tr)

Row 17: Ch 1, sc in each of next 38 sts. (38, 38, 38 sc)

Row 18: Rep Row 2. (38, 38, 38 lps)

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Row 19: Rep Row 11. (18, 18, 18 groups; 36, 36, 36, sc)

Row 20: Ch 1, sc in first sc, [puff st in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] rep across to last 3 sts, puff st in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, turn. (*36, 36, 36 sts including 9, 9, 9 puff sts*)

Row 21: Ch 1, sc in each st. (36, 36, 36 sc)

Note: For size medium, [rep Row 21] twice. For size large, [rep Row 21] 4 times, then continue in pattern for all sizes.

Row 22: Take up 2 lps in each of first 2 sc and place on knitting needle, take up 1 lp in rem sc. (38, 38, 38 lps)

Row 23: Remove lps in groups of 2 placing 2 sc in each group, at end, turn. (38, 38, 38 sc)

Row 24: Ch 10, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, [work crossed tr over next 3 sts] rep across to last 2 sc, dc in each of next 2 sc, turn. (47, 47, 47 sts including 14, 14, 14 sets of crossed tr)

Row 25: Ch 1, sc in each st across, ch 13 [17, 21]. (47, 47, 47 sc; 13, 17, 21 chs)

Row 26: Take up a lp in each ch and sc and place on knitting needle. (60, 64, 68 lps)

Row 27: Rep Row 3. (30, 32, 34 groups; 60, 64, 68 sc)

Note: For size medium (rep Rows 26 and 27) once. For size large, [rep Rows 26 and 27] twice, then continue in pattern for all sizes.

Row 28: Ch 3, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, [puff st in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] rep across row, turn. (62, 66, 70 sts including 15, 16, 17 puff sts)

Row 29: Ch 1, sc in each sc across. (62, 66, 70 sc)

Row 30: Take up 2 lps in each of the first 2 sc and place on knitting needle, take up 1 lp in each of the rem sc and place on knitting needle. (64, 68, 72 lps)

Row 31: Rep Row 3. (32, 34, 36 groups; 64, 68, 72 sc)

Row 32: Ch 3, sk first sc, dc in next sc, [work crossed tr over next 3 sts] rep across to last 2 [3, 1] sts, dc in each of rem sc sts, turn. (64, 68, 72 sts including 20, 21, 23 sets of crossed tr)

Row 33: Ch 1, sc in each of next 62

[66, 70] sts. (62, 66, 70 sc)

Rows 34 & 35: Rep Rows 2 and 3. (62, 66, 70 sc)

Row 36: Ch 1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [puff st in next st, sc in each of next 3 sts] rep across, turn. (62, 66, 70 sts including 15, 16, 17 puff sts)

Row 37: Ch 1, sc in each st. (62, 66, 70 sc)

Rows 38 & 39: Rep Rows 2 and 3.

Row 40: Ch 3, sk first sc, dc in each of next 2 sc, [work crossed tr over next 2 sts] 19 [20, 22] times, dc in each rem st across, turn. (62, 66, 70 sts including 19, 20, 22 sets of crossed tr)

Row 41: Rep Row 37.

Rows 42–49: Rep Rows 34–41.

Rows 50-54: Rep Rows 34-38.

Row 55: Remove lps in groups of 2 with 2 sc to last 4 lps, [remove in groups of 2 with 3 sc] twice. (*32, 34, 36 groups; 64, 68, 72 sc*)

Row 56: Rep Row 32. (64, 68, 72 sts including 20, 21, 23, sets of crossed tr)

Row 57: Ch 1, sc in each st. (64, 68, 72 sc)

Row 58: Rep Row 2. (63, 68, 72 lps)

Row 59: Rep Row 11. (21, 23, 25 groups, 62, 66, 70 sc)

Row 60: Rep Row 36. (62, 66, 70 sts including 15, 16, 17 puff sts)

Row 61: Ch 1, sc in each st to last 4 sts, [sc dec over next 2 sts] twice. (60, 64, 68 sc)

Row 62: Rep Row 2. (60, 64, 68 lps)

Row 63: Rep Row 3, fasten off only size small, turn. (60, 64, 68 sc)

Note: For size medium, [rep Rows 62 and 63] once before fastening off. For large, [rep Rows 62 and 63] twice before fastening off, then continue in pattern for all sizes.

Row 64: Sk 13 [17, 21] sc, attach yarn in next sc, hdc in next st, dc in next st, [work crossed tr over next 3 sts] rep across to last 2 sts, dc in each of next 2 sts, turn. (47, 47, 47 sts including 14, 14, 14 sets crossed tr)

Row 65: Ch 1, sc in each of next 38 sts. (38, 38, 38 sc)

Row 66: Rep Row 2. (38, 38, 38 lps)

Row 67: Rep Row 11. (21, 23, 25 groups, 62, 66, 70 sc)

Rows 68 & 69: Rep Rows 20 and 21. (*36, 36, 36 sc*)

Note: For size medium, [rep Row 21] twice. For size large, [rep Row 21] 4 times, then continue in pattern for all sizes.

Rows 70-72: Rep Rows 22-24.

Row 73: Ch 1, sc in each sc, attach another strand of yarn in final st of Row 72 and ch 13 [17, 21], sc in each additional ch. (60, 64, 68 sc)

Note: For size medium, [rep Rows 2 and 3] once before progressing to Row 74. For size large [rep Rows 2 and 3] twice before progressing to Row 74, then continue in pattern for all sizes.

Row 74: Rep Row 2. (60, 64, 68 lps)

Row 75: Remove lps in groups of 2 with 2 sc in each group to last 4 lps, [remove 2 lps with 3 sc] twice. (*31, 33, 35 groups; 62, 66, 70 sc*)

Row 76: Rep Row 12. (62, 66, 70 sts including 15, 16, 17 puff sts)

Row 77: Ch 1, sc in each st. (62, 66, 70 sc)

Row 78: Rep Row 30. (64, 68, 72 lps)

Row 79: Rep Row 3. (32, 34, 36 groups; 64, 68, 72 sc)

Row 80: Rep Row 32. (64, 68, 72 sts including 20, 21, 23 sets of crossed tr)

Row 81: Ch 1, sc in next 46 [50 54] sts.

Rows 82–87: Rep Rows 2–7. At the end of last rep, fasten off. (46, 50, 54 sc)

Sew vest tog at shoulder seams.

ARMHOLE TRIM (make 2)

Rnd 1 (RS): Attach yarn at underarm, ch 1, sc evenly sp around armhole opening, join in beg sc, fasten off.

OUTER EDGE TRIM

Note: It is difficult when edging a piece of this nature to give an exact st count, but it will work out approximately 1 rep for every pair of pattern rows, such as, crossed tr and sc, broomstick lps and removal row or puff st and sc.

Rnd 1 (RS): Attach yarn along bottom edge at end of any sc row, make a gently scalloped edge by working [sc in next st, dc in each of next 2 sts] rep evenly sp around bottom, front, neckline edge and rem front, ending with join in beg sc, fasten off. Se

