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Materials:

- 3-3.5 oz WWW yarn
- Size H crochet hook for newborn (I for 0-3 months)
- 1 button, 3/4"
- Yarn needle
- Sewing needle, thread for button

Abbreviations:

- Ch: chain
- DC: double crochet
- SC: single crochet
- St: stitch

Body:

Starting with neckline, chain 37.

Row 1: DC in 3rd ch from hook and in each of the next 4 chs, (DC, Ch1, DC) in next ch, DC in next 4 ch (for sleeve), (DC, Ch1, DC) in next ch, DC in next 12 chs, (DC, Ch1, DC) in next ch, DC in next 4 ch (for second sleeve), (DC, Ch1, DC) in next ch, DC in last 6 chs; Ch3, turn. (this Ch3 becomes the first st in the next row)

Row 2: *Skip ch3 space, DC to first Ch1 space, work (DC, Ch1, DC) in Ch1 space, repeat from * three more times, DC to end, Ch3, turn.

Rows 3-6: Repeat row 2.

Row 7: DC in next 12 sts, work DC in Ch1 space, Ch1, skip to next Ch1 sp, DC in that space; DC in next 24 sts, DC in next Ch1 space, Ch1, skip to next Ch1 space, DC in that Ch1 space; DC in last 12 sts, Ch3, turn.

Row 8: DC in each st and ch1 space across, Ch3, turn.

Rows 9-17: DC across, Ch3, turn.

At end of row 17, do not Ch3, turn. Ch1, turn to work up front of sweater, and work SC in each end of row and stitch all around sweater, working 3 sts in each corner space, join; end off.

Sleeves:

Attach yarn at Ch1 space at underarm, Ch2, work 23 DC around sleeve (24 sts total); join, ch2, turn.

Rounds 2-10: DC around, join, Ch2, turn.

Round 9: Counting Ch2 as first DC, *DC in 4 sts, DC over next 2 sts together, repeat from * around (20 sts); join, Ch1, do NOT turn.

Round 10: SC around, join, end off.
Work second sleeve the same.

Finishing:

Weave in ends.

Sew button to top of one front side, across from a hole that will fit the button.



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Shell Stitch Crocheted Sweater with Matching Shell Hat

Sport weight yarn

Size G crochet hook

Size: Newborn

Gauge: approx. 6 dc, and 2 rows = 1 inch

Notions: 6 buttons, approx. 1/2" diameter

SWEATER BODY

Ribbing:

Ch 9.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd crochet from hook and in each sc across. (8 st), Ch1, turn.

Rows 2-58: Working in Back loops only (B.L.O.), sc in each st. Ch1, turn. On row 58, end with Ch1, but do not turn.

Body:

Row 1: (wrong side), 88 sc evenly across end of ribbing rows. Ch 2, turn.

Row 2: (right side), Dc in each sc. (88 st including turning ch)., ch 2, turn.

Rows 3-11: Dc in each of next 2 dc, (sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc), across row to last 3 dc. Dc in last 2 dc and in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch2, turn.

Right Front:

Row 12: Dc in next 2 dc, (*sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc*, dc in next 2 dc) twice, rep from * to * once, dc in next st. Ch 2, turn.

Rows 13,15: (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc) 3 times, dc in next st. Ch 2, turn.

Row 14,16: (Dc in next 2 dc, sk2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc), 3 times, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 17: (start shaping neckline) (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc) twice, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next dc, sk dc, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 18: Sk 3 dc, (5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc, sk 2 dc) twice, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 19: Sk 2 dc, (*5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc*, dc in next 2 dc, sk 2 dc) twice, dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 20: Sk 1 dc, dc in next 2 dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in turning ch. Ch 1, but do not turn.

Armhole: 2 sc in dc at end of each rows 20 to 13. Do NOT fasten off.

Back:

Row 12 (continued for back of sweater): Dc in first open dc of row 11 to continue crocheting sweater back. (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc) 5 times. Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 2 turn.

Rows 13-20: (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc) 5 times, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in ch 2 of turning ch, ch 2, turn, ending row 20 with ch 1, do not turn.

Armhole: 2 sc in dc at end of each rows 20 to 13. Do NOT fasten off.

Left Front:

Row 12 (continued for left front): Dc in first open dc of row 13, (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc) 3 times, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Rows 13,15: (Dc in next 2 dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc) 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 2, turn.

Rows 14,16: (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc) 3 times, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 17: (start shaping neckline) Sk 1 dc, dc in next dc (*sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc* dc in each of next 2 dc) twice, rep from * to *, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 18: (Sk next 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc) twice, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 3 dc, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 19: Sk 2 dc, dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, (dc in each of next 2 dc, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc) twice, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 2, turn.

Row 20: (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc) twice, sk dc, dc in ch 2 of turning ch. Ch 1.

Shoulder seams:

Fold right sides together with left front and left back shoulders matching. Sc through both layers across shoulder line. Catching only left front, 2 sc in each dc at end of rows 20 to 13 to underarm. Sl st to first sc from left back armhole. Fasten off and weave in end.

Join yarn with sl st at underarm of right back. 2 sc in end of each of rows 13 to 20, up right front armhole. Fold right sides together with right front and right back shoulders matching. Sc through both layers across shoulder line.

NECKLINE:

Row 1: Join yarn with sl st at top of last dc in row 15 at right front. Sc 10 st evenly from center front to shoulder seam, sc 15 st evenly across back neckline, sc 10 st evenly from left shoulder seam to top of row 15 of left front. Ch 2, turn.

Row 2: Dc in each sc around neckline, ch 1, turn. (35 st)

Row 3: Sc in each dc. (35 st.) Ch 1, but do not turn.

Left Front Facing:

Row 1: Sc 36 st evenly down left front of sweater (including neckline edging and ribbing). Ch 2, turn.

Row 2: Hdc in each of 36 sc. Ch1, turn.

Row 3: Sc in each hdc. (36 st). Fasten off and weave in end of yarn.

Right Front Facing (buttonholes):

Row 1: Join yarn sl st at bottom of ribbing on right front. Sc 36 st evenly from ribbing to top edge of neckline. Ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Sc in 1st sc, (ch 2, sk 2 sc, sc in each of next 6 sc) 4 times, ch 2, sk 2 sc, sc in last sc. Ch 1, turn.

Row 3: Sc in each sc and each ch. (36 st). Fasten off and weave in yarn.

SLEEVES (make 2)

Ribbing:
Ch 9.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd crochet from hook and in each sc across. (8 st), Ch1, turn.

Rows 2-22: Working in Back loops only (B.L.O.), sc in each st., Ch1, turn.

Fold ribbing with right sides together, matching short ends. Sc through both ends, joining ribbing to form a ring. Ch 1.

Upper Sleeve:

Row 1: (wrong side), 35 sc evenly around top of cuff ribbing. Ch 2, turn.

Row 2: (right side), Dc in each sc. (35 st including turning ch)., ch 2, DO NOT TURN.

Rows 3-13: (Sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc) 4 times, sk 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk 2 dc, dc in last dc. Join with sl st in 2nd ch of beginning ch 2. Ch 1, put sleeve and armhole right sides together. Slip stitch all around armhole. Fasten off and weave in yarn.

Finishing:

Sew 5 buttons to left front facing, aligning with button holes on opposite side.

CROCHET SWEATER

Materials:

3-ply baby or fingering yarn (I used Bernat Softee Baby, less than one 5-ounce skein)
E hook (I used G for the sweater shown and it's probably a size 6-9 months)

Gauge:

5 dc = 1", 3 dc rows = 1" (this is for size 0-6 months)

Back:

Row 1 Ch 49, dc in 3rd ch from hook, dc in each of next 2 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in each of next 3 chs] across, turn (12 groups of 3 dc)

Row 2 Ch 4, sc in 1st ch-1 space, [ch 3, sc in next ch-1 space] across, working last sc in top of dc of previous row, ch 3, turn (12 ch-3 loops)

Row 3 2 dc in first ch-3 loop, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-3 loop] across, turn

Rows 4 - 23 Repeat rows 2 and 3 ten times

DO NOT BREAK OFF, JUST CONTINUE TO FRONT

Front:

Row 1 Ch 4, sc in first ch-1 space, [ch 3, sc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, ch 3, turn (4 ch-3 loops)

Row 2 2 dc in first ch-3 loop, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-3 loop] 3 times, turn

Rows 3 - 23 Repeat rows 1 and 2 until the front measures the same as the back. Fasten off.

For the second half of the front, return to the back section. Skip 3 ch-1 spaces from the first front section and sl st your yarn to the 4th ch-1 space. Now complete as you did the first half of the front, working toward the opposite edge. DO NOT FASTEN OFF, turn.

Facing and collar:

Round 1 Ch 3, sc in next space, repeat around entire sweater, working into ends of either side of fronts and the back, with sc in each corner, join, ch3, turn

Round 2 [3 dc in first space, ch 1, 3 dc in next space] around garment. *Note - 4 dc in 2 spaces at each corner of the back and the fronts (not the neckline corners), join, turn (96 dc groups)

Round 3 Repeat round 1, working increases at each corner as follows: [ch 3, 2 sc between 2nd and 3rd dc of 4 dc group, ch 3, sc in next space] 2 times. Join at end of round, ch 3, turn

Round 4 Repeat round 2 (108 dc groups)

Round 5 Repeat round 3

Round 6 Repeat round 2 (120 dc groups)

Round 7 Repeat round 3

Round 8 Ch 3, 2 dc in first ch-3 space [ch 3, sl st into first ch (picot made), 3 dc in next space] 48 times, [3 dc into next ch-3 space, ch 1] 21 times, [3 dc in next ch-3 space, picot] 27 times, [3 dc into next ch-3 space, ch 1] 21 times, [3 dc in next ch-3 space, picot] for the remaining spaces, sl st to top of first ch 3 and fasten off.

Sleeves:

With wrong side facing, skip 3 ch-1 spaces from the last picot on one side, join yarn with sl st in next space

Row 1 Ch 4, sc in next ch-1 space, [ch 3, sc in next space] 13 times, ch 3, turn

Row 2 2 dc in the first ch-3 loop, [ch 1, 3 dc in next loop] across, turn

Rows 3 - 14 repeat rows 1 and 2, six times

Row 15 repeat row 1, once

Row 16 2 dc in first ch-3 loop, [picot, 3dc in next loop] across. Fasten off

Complete second sleeve in the same manner.

Finishing

Sew sleeve seams and side seam as far as the first picot (I used a whip stitch on the wrong side in the back loops only. It made a nice flat seam). Fold back front facing and collar. Sew either a ribbon or a crochet chain to either side of fronts and tie.