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What you will need:

RED HEART® Boutique Midnight®: 5 (6, 6, 7, 8, 8) balls 1942 Serenade

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 6 mm [US J-10] Yarn needle

GAUGE: 12 sts = 4" (10 cm) inFsc; 3 rows = 1" (2.5 cm) in singlecrochet: 4 shells = 7" (18 cm): 7rows = 7" (18 cm) in shell pattern. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Boutique Midnight® Art. E786, Available in 2.5 oz (70g), 153 yd (140m) balls



Mystique Tunic

Flattering for all, this beautiful tunic will take you from the office to evenings out. It's crocheted in rounds from the top down, so there are no seams to worry about.

SHOP KIT

Directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium, Large, 1X, 2X, and 3X are in parentheses.

Finished Bust: 35 (38½, 42, 45½, 49, 52½)" (89 (98, 106.5, 115.5, 124.5, 133.5) cm) Finished Length: 24 (24, 25, 25, 26, 26)" (61 (61, 63.5, 63.5, 66, 66 cm)

Note

Piece will lengthen as you work and as piece is worn.

Special Stitches

beg-half-shell (beginning half shell) = Ch 5 (counts as tr, ch 1), tr in indicated stitch or space.

beg-shell (beginning shell) = Ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 1, 2 tr) in indicated stitch or space. **Fsc** (foundation single crochet – This technique creates a foundation chain and a row of single crochet stitches in one) = First st: Ch 2. insert hook in 2nd ch from hook and draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 1 loop on hook (the "chain"), yarn over and draw through both loops on hook (the "single crochet").

Remaining sts: *Insert hook in "chain" of previous stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 1 loop on hook (the "chain"), varn over and draw through both loops on hook; repeat from * for desired number of stitches.

half-shell = (Tr, ch 1, tr) in indicated stitch or space.

inc-shell (increase shell) = (Tr, ch 1, 2 tr, ch 1, tr) in indicated stitch or space.

sc2tog (single crochet 2 together) = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

shell = (2 tr, ch 1, 2 tr) in indicated stitch or space.

tr2tog (treble crochet 2 stitches together) = *[Yarn over] twice, insert hook in next st, varn over and pull up a loop, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice; repeat from * once more, varn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook. Note: When instructed to work a tr2tog "over" two stitches (the particular two stitches will be specified in the instructions), work the tr2tog and the first time you need to insert the hook into a stitch, insert it into the first of the specified stitches. The second time you need to insert the hook into a stitch, insert it into the 2nd of the specified stitches.

Notes

- 1. Tunic is worked in joined rounds beginning at the neck edge. When piece reaches underarm, stitches are skipped to create armholes. Work then continues, in joined rounds, down to the lower edge over the remaining body stitches only.
- 2. Sleeves are worked directly into the armholes and worked down to the cuff edge.

YOKE

Round 1 (right side): Fsc 62 (64, 66, 68, 70, 72); join with slip st in first sc to form a ring. Note: The strip of Fsc should measure about 20½ (21½, 22, 22½, 23½, 24½)" (52 (54.5, 56, 57, 59.5, 62) cm) when laid flat. Round 2 (increase): Ch 1, [sc in next 7 (5, 6,

4, 5, 4) sts, 2 sc in next st] 7 (10, 9, 12, 11, 14) times, sc in each remaining st around; join with slip st in first sc—69 (74, 75, 80, 81, 86)

Round 3 (increase): Ch 1. [sc in next 5 (4, 4, 4, 4, 3) sts, 2 sc in next st] 11 (14, 13, 16, 15, 18) times, sc in each remaining st around; join with slip st in first sc—80 (88, 88, 96, 96, 104) sts.

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Round 4: Beg-shell in same st as joining,
*[skip next 3 sts, shell in next st] 4 (5, 5, 6, 6,
7) times, skip next 3 sts, inc-shell in next st,
[skip next 3 sts, shell in next st] 3 times, skip
next 3 sts, inc-shell in next st, [skip next 3 sts,
shell in next st] 5 (6, 6, 7, 7, 8) times, skip next
3 sts, inc-shell in next st, [skip next 3 sts, shell
in next st] 3 times, skip next 3 sts, inc-shell
in next st, skip next 3 sts join with slip st in
top of beginning ch—16 (18, 18, 20, 20, 22)
shells and 4 inc-shells (for 24 (26, 26, 28, 28,
30) ch-1 spaces)

Round 5: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch. Round 6: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each of next 5 (6, 6, 7, 7, 8) ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space, shell in next 4 ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space, shell in next 4 ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—20 (22, 22, 24, 24, 26) shells and 4 inc-shells (for 28 (30, 30, 32, 32, 34) ch-1 spaces.

Round 7: Repeat Round 5.

Round 8: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each of next 6 (7, 7, 8, 8, 9) ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space, shell in next 5 ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space, shell in next 7 (8, 8, 9, 9, 10) ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space, shell in next ch-1 spaces, inc-shell in next ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—24 (26, 26, 28, 28, 30) shells and 4 inc-shells (for 32 (34, 34, 36, 36, 38) ch-1 spaces.

Next 1 (1, 2, 2, 3, 3) Rounds: Repeat Round 5.

Form Armholes

Round 1: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each of next 6 (7, 7, 8, 8, 9) ch-1 spaces, half-shell in next ch-1 space; beginning by inserting hook in top vertical strand of last tr made, work 3 (3, 5, 5, 7, 7) Fsc (underarm base made), skip next 7 ch-1 spaces for armhole, half-shell in next ch-1 space, shell in each of next 7 (8, 8, 9, 9, 10) ch-1 spaces, half-shell in next ch-1 space; beginning by inserting hook in in top vertical strand of last tr made, work 3 (3, 5, 5, 7, 7) Fsc (underarm base made), skip next 7 ch-1 spaces form armhole, half-shell in last ch-1 space: join with slip st in top of beginning ch—14 (16, 16, 18, 20) shells, 4 half-shells, and 2 underarm bases (for 18 (18, 20, 20, 22, 24) ch-1 spaces).

Note: If making size 1X or 2X, when working across underarm bases in Round 2, work a half-shell (instead of a shell) in the center Fsc of each underarm base to slightly reduce bulk under the arm.

Round 2: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, *shell in each ch-1 space to next underarm base, skip first Fsc of underarm base, [shell in next Fsc, skip next Fsc] 1 (2, 3) time(s); repeat from * once more, shell in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30) shells (for 20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30) ch-1 spaces).

Rounds 3-16: Repeat Round 5.

Round 17: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, ch 4, 4 tr) in next ch-1 space (counts as 5-tr group), 5 tr in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—20 (22, 24, 26, 28, 30) 5-tr groups.
Fasten off.

LEFT SLEEVE

Sizes Small (Medium) Only:

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing draw up a loop in last ch-1 space of armhole (just before underarm base), beg-shell in same ch-1 space, tr2tog over next ch-1 space of body (in which a half-shell has already been worked) and around the post of the outer tr of the half-shell that forms the side of the armhole opening, ch 1, tr2tog over the post of the same tr and the base of the center Fsc of the underarm base, ch 1, tr2tog over the same underarm base st, and around the post of the outer tr of the half-shell that forms the other side of the armhole opening, ch 1, tr2tog over the post of the same tr and the next ch-1 space (in which a half-shell has already been worked), shell in each of the remaining 6 ch-1 spaces of armhole; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—10 ch-1 spaces.

Round 2: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, tr2tog over next 2 ch-1 spaces (at underarm), ch 1, tr2tog over same ch-1 space and next ch-1 space, shell in each remaining ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—8 ch-1 spaces.

Rounds 3–11: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Round 12: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, ch 4, 4 tr) in next ch-1 space (counts as 5-tr group), 5 tr in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Sizes Large (1X, 2X, 3X) Only:

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing draw up a loop in last ch-1 space of armhole (just before underarm base), beg-shell in same ch-1 space, tr2tog over next ch-1 space of body (in which a half-shell has already been worked) and around the post of the outer tr

of the half-shell that forms the side of the armhole opening; working across unworked side of underarm base, skip the first st of underarm base, [half-shell in next st, skip the next st] 2 (2, 3, 3) times, tr2tog over the post of the outer tr of the half-shell that forms the other side of the armhole opening and the next ch-1 space of the body (in which a half-shell has already been worked), shell in each of the remaining 6 ch-1 spaces of armhole; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—9 (9, 10, 10) ch-1 spaces.

Round 2: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, tr2tog over the space between the 2 legs of next tr2tog and the next ch-1 space, half-shell in same ch-1 space, half-shell in next 0 (0, 1, 1) ch-1 spaces, (2 tr, ch 1, tr) in next ch-1 space, tr2tog over same ch-1 space and the space between the 2 legs of next tr2tog, shell in each remaining ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—9 (9, 10, 10) ch-1 spaces.

Rounds 3—12 (12, 13, 13): Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in

Round 13 (13, 14, 14): Slip st in next tr, (slip st, ch 4, 4 tr) in next ch-1 space (counts as 5-tr group), 5 tr in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

RIGHT SLEEVE

top of beginning ch.

Sizes Small (Medium) Only:

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing draw up a loop in last ch-1 space of armhole (immediately following underarm base), begshell in same ch-1 space, shell in next 6 ch-1 spaces of armhole, tr2tog over next ch-1 space (in which a half-shell has already been worked) and around the post of the outer tr

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of the half-shell that forms the side of the armhole opening, ch 1, tr2tog over the post of the same tr and the base of the center Fsc of the underarm base, ch 1, tr2tog over the same underarm base st, and around the post of the outer tr of the half-shell that forms the other side of the armhole opening, ch 1, tr2tog over the post of the same tr and the next ch-1 space (in which a half-shell has already been worked); join with slip st in top of beginning ch—10 ch-1 spaces.

Round 2: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in next 6 ch-1 spaces, tr2tog over next 2 ch-1 spaces (at underarm), ch 1, tr2tog over same ch-1 space and next ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—8 ch-1 spaces.

Rounds 3–11: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Round 12: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, ch 4, 4 tr) in next ch-1 space (counts as 5-tr group), 5 tr in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Sizes Large (1X, 2X, 3X) Only:

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing draw up a loop in last ch-1 space of armhole (immediately following underarm base), beg-shell in same ch-1 space, shell in next 6 ch-1 spaces of armhole, tr2tog over next ch-1 space of body (in which a half-shell has already been worked) and around the post of the outer tr of the half-shell that forms the side of the armhole opening; working across unworked side of underarm base, skip the first st of underarm base, [half-shell in next st, skip the next st] 2 (2, 3, 3) times, tr2tog over the

post of the outer tr of the half-shell that forms the other side of the armhole opening and the next ch-1 space of the body (in which a half-shell has already been worked); join with slip st in top of beginning ch—9 (9, 10, 10) ch-1 spaces.

Round 2: Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in next 6 ch-1 spaces, tr2tog over the space between the 2 legs of next tr2tog and the next ch-1 space, half-shell in same ch-1 space, half-shell in next 0 (0, 1, 1) ch-1 spaces, (2 tr, ch 1, tr) in next ch-1 space, tr2tog over same ch-1 space and the space between the 2 legs of next tr2tog; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—9 ch-1 spaces.

Rounds 3–12 (12, 13, 13): Slip st in next tr, (slip st, beg-shell) in next ch-1 space, shell in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Round 13 (13, 14, 14): Slip st in next tr, (slip st, ch 4, 4 tr) in next ch-1 space (counts as 5-tr group), 5 tr in each ch-1 space around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

FINISHING

Neckband (optional)

Note: Working additional round around neck opening will make neck a bit smaller. If you work the number of decreases (sc2tog) specified in Round 1, the neckline will be about 20" (51 cm) around. Work more or fewer decreases to achieve the desired fit.

Round 1: With right side facing, draw up a loop at center back of neck edge, ch 1, sc in each st around, working 4 (6, 8, 10, 12, 14) sc2tog evenly spaced around; join with slip st in first sc—58 sts.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch
(es); tr = treble (triple) crochet; () = work
directions in parentheses into same st; [] =
work directions in brackets the number of
times specified; * = repeat whatever follows
the * as indicated.

