

CLAM DIGGERS SHELL



I edited this pattern from my collection of vintage patterns to include information about the original thread and substitutions. I also included metrics for all my overseas friends.

This is a vintage pattern and out of copyright in the US. Feel free to use it any way you want. You may edit it, change it, and create items for both personal and business uses.

The only thing I ask is that you not include my edited portion in any books you offer for sale.

Sizes: Small, Medium, Large

Materials Required: AMERICAN THREAD COMPANY “DAWN” KNITTING WORSTED Any size 4 medium knitted worsted yarn should work.

Plastic Crochet Hook Size H (5mm)

3 (3, 4) 4 ounce skeins Canary (Main Color MC) 1—4 ounce skein Tangerine (Contrasting Color CC) 1 Pr. Knitting Needles No. 9 (5.5mm) OR ANY SIZE NEEDLES WHICH WILL RESULT IN STITCH GAUGE/TENSION BELOW.

GAUGE/TENSION: 9 sts = 2 inches (5.08cm)

Directions are given for small size. Changes for medium and large sizes are given in parentheses.

BACK: With Canary (Main Color) cast on 73 (77, 81) sts.

1st ROW: P across row.

2nd ROW: K across row, drop MC.

3rd and 4th ROWS: With Tangerine (Contrasting Color) K across each row, drop CC.

5th ROW: With MC, K 1, * yarn to back sl 1 as if to P, K 1, repeat from * across row.

6th ROW: K 1, * yarn to front, sl 1 as if to P, K 1 repeat from * across row, drop MC

7th and 8th ROWS: With CC K across each row, drop CC.

9th ROW: With MC K across row.

10th ROW: P across row, drop MC.

11th and 12th ROWS: With CC K across each row, drop CC.

13th ROW: With MC K across row.

14th ROW: P across row, drop MC.

15th and 16th ROWS: With CC K across each row, drop CC.

17th ROW: With MC repeat 5th row.

18th ROW: Repeat 6th row.

19th and 20th ROWS: With CC K across each row, drop CC.

21st ROW: With MC K across row.

22nd ROW: P across row.

With MC repeat from 19th to 22nd rows for pattern.

Work even in pattern until back measures 13½ (34.29) inches from beg or desired length to underarm.

SHAPE ARMHOLES: Bind off 3 (4, 5) sts at beg of next 2 rows; then dec 1 st at each end every other row 4 times.

Work even on 59 (61, 63) sts until armholes measure 7 (7¼, 7½) inches 17.78 (18.39, 19.05) cm from 1st bind off. Work across 12 (13, 14) sts, bind off next 35 sts for back of neck,

work across remaining sts.

NEXT ROW: Tie in another skein of yarn and working both sides at same time dec 1 st at each side of neck edge.

NEXT ROW: Work even.

NEXT ROW: Dec 1 st at each side of neck edge.

NEXT 2 ROWS. SHAPE SHOULDERS: Bind off 5 (5, 6) sts at beg of each row, bind off 5 (6, 6) sts at beg of next 2 rows.

FRONT: Work same as back to underarm, Shape Armholes same as back. Work even until armholes measure 4½ (4¾, 5) inches; 11.43 (12.07, 12.70) cm.

SHAPE NECK: Work across 17 (18, 19) sts, bind off next 25 sts, work across remaining sts.

NEXT ROW: Tie in another skein of yarn and working both sides at same time dec 1 st at each side of neck edge, then dec 1 st at each side of neck edge every other row 6 more times. Work even until armholes measure same as back. Shape Shoulders same as back.

FINISHING US TERMS: Block each section. Sew shoulder and side seams matching patterns.

NECK EDGE: Attach MC at left shoulder and work a row of sc all around neck edge working 1 sc in every other row on sides, 1 sc in each bound off st across front and back, join, cut MC.

Attach CC and work 1 sc in each st, join, cut yarn.

ARMHOLE EDGE: Attach MC at underarm and work 1 sc in each bound off st at underarm and 1 sc in every other row around armhole, join, cut yarn.

NEXT ROW: Attach CC and work 1 sc in each sc, join, cut yarn.

FINISHING UK TERMS: Block each section. Sew shoulder and side seams matching patterns.

NECK EDGE: Attach MC at left shoulder and work a row of dc all around neck edge working 1 dc in every other row on sides, 1 dc in each bound off st across front and back, join, cut MC.

Attach CC and work 1 dc in each st, join, cut yarn.

ARMHOLE EDGE: Attach MC at underarm and work 1 dc in each bound off st at underarm and 1 dc in every other row around armhole, join, cut yarn.

NEXT ROW: Attach CC and work 1 dc in each dc, join, cut yarn.