



Heirloom Baby Set

Create a beautiful christening dress and bonnet with pure cotton crochet thread. This hand crocheted set is destined to be cherished and handed down to future generations.

To Fit Chest: 15 (17, 19)"
Finished Chest: 15 (17, 19)"
Finished Length: 24¾ (25¾, 26½)"
Bottom Circumference: 42 (44, 46)"

AUNT LYDIA'S® Classic Crochet Thread, Size 10:
6 (7, 8) balls 1 White.

Crochet Hook: 2.25 mm [US B-1] and 2.75 [US C-2].
¼" wide satin ribbon: 21 yds (20 m)
Three ⅜" buttons for dress.
Tapestry needle

GAUGE: In pattern st and larger hook, 29 sts = 4", 7 dc rows = 2". **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

Special Abbreviations

Cluster: Yarn over, insert hook in next st, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook, *yarn over, insert hook in same st, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * 3 more times, yarn over and draw through all 6 loops on hook.

picot: Ch 2, slip st in 2nd ch from hook.

sc2tog: [Insert hook in st and draw up loop] twice, yo, draw through 3 loops.

dc2tog: [Yarn over, insert hook in st and draw up loop, yarn over, draw yarn through 2 loops] twice, yo, draw through 3 loops.

CHRISTENING DRESS

SKIRT

Note: Skirt is worked in vertical rows starting at center back.

With larger hook, ch 122 (126, 130).

Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn—121 (125, 129) sc.

Row 2 (beading row): Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), skip first 2 sc, *cluster in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc, dc in next sc**, ch 1, skip next sc; repeat from * across, ending last rep at **; turn—30 (31, 32) clusters.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each st and space across, sc in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4; turn—121 (125, 129) sc.

Rows 4-8: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), skip first st, dc in each st across; turn.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in each st across; turn.

Rep Rows 2-9 for pattern until skirt measures 42 (44, 46)" from beginning, ending with Row 8 of pattern. Fasten off.

Lower Skirt Border

Row 1: With right side facing, join thread with slip st in bottom right-hand corner of Skirt, ch 1, working in row-end sts, work 305 (313, 329) sc evenly spaced across bottom edge of Skirt; turn.

Rows 2-3: Repeat Rows 2-3 of skirt—76 (78, 82) clusters in Row 2; 305 (313, 329) sc in Row 3.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, *ch 5, skip next 3 sc**, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, sc in last 3 sc; turn—38 (39, 41) ch-5 spaces.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *ch 3, sc in next ch-5 space, ch 3, skip next sc**, sc in next 3 sc; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, sc in last 2 sc; turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *ch 3, sc in next ch-3 space, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-3 space, ch 3, skip next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across; turn.

Row 7: Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), *sc in next ch-3 space, sc in next 3 sc, sc in next ch-3 space**, ch 5; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, ch 2, dc in last sc; turn.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc in first dc, *ch 3, skip next sc, sc in next 3 sc, ch 3, skip next sc, sc in next ch-5 space; repeat from * across, ending with last sc in 3rd ch of beginning ch-5; turn.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *sc in next ch-3 space, ch 3, skip next sc, sc in next sc, ch 3, skip next sc, sc in next ch-3 space, sc in next sc; repeat from * across; turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, *sc in next ch-3 space, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 space**, sc in next 3 sc; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, sc in last 2 sc; turn.

Row 11: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, *3 sc in next ch-3 space**, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, sc in last 3 sc; turn.

Rows 12-23: Repeat Rows 2-11 once; then repeat Rows 2-3 once.

Picot Edging: Ch 1, slip st in first sc, *picot, skip next sc, slip st in next 3 sc; repeat from * across. Fasten off.
Sew center back Skirt seam.

BODICE

Bodice is worked in rows across top edge of Skirt, starting and ending at center back.

Row 1: With right side of skirt facing, working across top edge, join thread in left side of row-end st of first beading row to the left of center back seam, ch 1, work 308 (316, 324) sc evenly spaced around upper edge of Skirt to right side of same beading row; turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc2tog in first 2 sc, *sc2tog in next 2 sc; repeat from * across; turn—154 (158, 162) sts.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first 9 (12, 4) sts, *sc in next 1 (2, 4) sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts; repeat from * across to last 10 (14, 8) sts, sc in each remaining st across; turn—109 (125, 137) sts.

Row 4: Repeat Rows 2 of skirt—27 (31, 34) clusters.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc2tog in first 2 sts, sc in each st and space across, sc in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4; turn—108 (124, 136) sts.

Divide for Backs and Front

Right Back

Row 1: Ch 3, skip first sc, dc in next 20 (24, 27) sc; turn—21 (25, 28) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3, skip first st, dc2tog over next 2 sts (dec made), dc in each st across; turn—20 (24, 27) dc.

Row 3: Ch 3, skip first st, dc in each st across to last 3 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts (dec made), dc in top of beginning ch-3; turn—19 (23, 26) dc.

Work even in dc until Right Back measures 3¾ (4, 4¼)" above division. Fasten off.

Front

Row 1: With wrong side facing, skip next 10 sts on last long row of Bodice, join thread in next st, ch 3, skip first sc, dc in next 45 (53, 59) sc; turn—46 (54, 60) dc.

Dec 1 dc at each end of next 2 rows—42 (50, 56) dc at end of last row. Work even on 42 (50, 56) dc until Front measures 2¾ (3, 3¼)" above division.

Divide for Neck

First Shoulder

Row 1: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 7 (11, 14) dc; turn—8 (12, 15) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3, dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc in each st across; turn—7 (11, 14) dc.

Work even on 7 (11, 14) dc until Front measures same as Right Back. Fasten off.

Second Shoulder

Row 1: Skip 26 sts to the left of first shoulder, join thread in next st, ch 3, dc in each remaining st across; turn—8 (12, 15) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in each st across to last 3 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc in top of beginning ch-3; turn.

Work even on 7 (11, 14) dc until Front measures same as Right Back. Fasten off.

Left Back

Row 1: With wrong side facing, skip next 10 sts on last long row of Bodice, join thread in next st, ch 3, skip first sc, dc in each remaining st across; turn—21 (25, 28) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3, skip first st, dc in each st across to last 3 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts; turn—20 (24, 27) dc.

Row 3: Ch 3, skip first st, dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc in each st across; turn—19 (23, 26) dc.

Work even in dc until Left Back measures same as Right Back. Fasten off.

SLEEVE (make 2)

Starting at bottom edge, with larger hook, ch 72 (80, 86).

Row 1 (right side): Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; turn—70 (78, 84) dc.

Work even in dc until Sleeve measures 2½(3, 3½)" from beginning. Place marker in each end of last row.

Shape Armhole

Dec 1 dc at each end of next 2 rows—66 (74, 80) dc. Work even in dc until Sleeve measures 1¼ (2, 2)" above markers.

Next Row: Ch 1, sc2tog in first 2 sts, *sc2tog in next 2 sts; repeat from * across; turn—33 (37, 40) sts. Fasten off.

Sleeve Edging

Row 1: With right side facing, using larger hook, working across opposite side of foundation ch, join thread in first ch on bottom edge of Sleeve, ch 1, sc in first 0 (0, 1) ch, *sc2tog in next 2 sts; repeat from * across to last 0 (0, 1) st, sc in last 0 (0, 1) st; turn—35 (39, 43) sts.

Row 2: Ch 3, skip first st, *dc in next st, ch 1, skip next st, cluster in next st, ch 1, skip next st; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, dc in last 2 sts; turn—8 (9, 10) clusters.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each st and space across, sc in top of beginning ch-3; turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, slip st in first sc, *picot, skip next sc**, slip st in next 3 sc; repeat from * across, ending last repeat at **, slip st in last sc. Fasten off.

Sew underarm seam from lower edge to markers.

FINISHING

Sew Fronts to Back at shoulders. Set Sleeves into armholes, gathering caps to fit.

Neck Edging

Row 1: With right side facing and smaller hook, join thread at corner of Back neck edge, ch 1, work 12 sc across left back neck; 8 sc down left front neck edge; 27 sc across center front neck; 8 sc across right front neck edge; and 12 sc across right back neck edge; turn—67 sc.

Rows 2-3: Repeat Rows 2-3 of Sleeve Edging—16 clusters in row 2. Fasten off.

Button Band

Row 1: With right side facing and smaller hook, join thread to Left Back just above back opening, ch 1, sc evenly up edge to corner of neck edging; turn.

Rows 2-3: Ch 1, sc in each sc across; turn. Fasten off.

Buttonhole Band

Mark positions for 3 buttonholes across right back edge, with first marker ¼" below neck edge, last ½" above division and one more evenly spaced between other two.

Row 1: With right side facing and smaller hook, join thread top right back edge at top of neck edging, ch 1, sc evenly across back opening; turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, [sc in each st across to marker, ch 3, skip next 3 sc] 3 times, sc in each remaining st to end; turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, working 3 sc in each ch-3 space; turn. Fasten off.

Picot Edging: Ch 1, slip st in first sc, *picot, skip next sc, slip st in next 3 sc; repeat from * across left Buttonhole Band, across neck edge, down Button Band, join with slip st in first slip st. Fasten off.

Slip st bottom edges of Bands together and to back opening. Weave a length of ribbon through each beading row on Dress as pictured. Tack ends to wrong side. Make 3 small bows with ribbon and tack one to center front and one to each Sleeve as pictured.

BONNET

Crown

With larger hook, ch 19 (23, 27).

Row 1 (wrong side): Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; turn—17 (21, 25) dc.

Rows 2-5: Ch 3, skip first st, dc in each st across; turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in each st across; turn.

Row 7 (beading row): Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), skip first 2 sc, *cluster in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc, dc in next sc**, ch 1, skip next sc; repeat from * across, ending last rep at **; turn—4 (5, 6) clusters.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc in each st and space across, sc in 3rd ch of beginning ch-4; turn—17 (21, 25) sc.

Row 9: Ch 3, skip first sc, dc in each sc across; turn.

Rows 10-13: Repeat Rows 2-5.

Rep Rows 6-13 until Crown measures 12" from beginning, ending with Row 13 of pattern. Fasten off.

Front Edging

With right side facing and larger hook, join thread in corner of Crown to work across row-end sts of long edge.

Row 1: Ch 1, work 81 sc evenly spaced across; turn.

Rows 2-13: Work same as Dress Lower Skirt Border Rows 2-11; then repeat Rows 2-3 once—20 clusters in Row 2. Fasten off.

Back Edging

With right side facing and larger hook, join thread in corner on opposite side of Crown

Row 1-3: Work same as Rows 1-3 of Front Edging—81 sc.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in first 26 (28, 30) sc, *sc2tog in next st sts; repeat from * 14 (12, 10) times, sc in last 25 (27, 29) sc—66 (68, 70) sts. Fasten off.

Back

With larger hook, ch 14 (16, 18).

Row 1 (right side): Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; turn—12 (14, 16) dc.

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in first st, dc in each dc across, 2 dc in last st; turn—14 (16, 18) dc.

Rows 3-5: Rep Row 2—20 (22, 24) dc at end of last row. Work even in dc until Back measures 3½" from beginning. Decrease 1 dc at each of next 2 rows. Fasten off.

Next Row: With right side facing and larger hook, join thread in lower right-hand corner of Back, ch 1, work 66 (68, 70) sc evenly spaced across 3 shaped edges to bottom left-hand corner. Fasten off.

FINISHING

With right sides of Back Edging of Crown and last row of Back together, join thread in first st, working through double thickness, matching sts, slip st in each st across 3 sides of Back to bottom left-hand corner. Fasten off.

Front Trim

Row 1: With wrong side facing, join thread in right front corner of Front Edging of Crown, ch 3, work dc evenly spaced across front edge of hat to right front corner; turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each dc across; turn. Do not fasten off.

Hat Edging

Round 1: Ch 1, slip st in first sc, picot, skip next sc, slip st in next 3 sts; repeat from * around entire edge of bonnet; join with a slip st in first slip st. Fasten off.

With tapestry needle, weave a double strand of thread through the wrong side of sc in Row 2 of Front Trim. Gather lower edge as desired and secure ends of thread. Weave ribbon through Beading Row at front edge, leaving excess ribbon on either side of hat for ties. Weave ribbons through other two Beading Rows; tack ends to wrong side. Make 2 small bows with ribbon and tack in place at corners over ribbon ties

AUNT LYDIA'S® Classic Crochet Thread, Size 10,

Art. 154; white & ecru 400 yd (366m); solid colors 350 yd (320m); shaded colors 300 yd (274m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: ch = chain; dc = double crochet; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

