# Courtney Capelet

*Here's a lovely gift idea that doesn't require an exact fit. Crochet shell stitches are combined with shaded yarn for the perfect shoulder warming capelet. Wear it as shown buttoned in front, or move the button to the shoulder for an alternate look.*

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**Capelet measures 27 (29)" across neck edge, and 10 (12)" long at center.**

**Directions are for size Small/Medium. Changes for sizes Large/X-Large are in parentheses. If only one number is given it pertains to both sizes.**

**RED HEART® "Collage®"**: 2 (3) balls 2934 Tundra.

**Crochet Hooks:** 8mm [US L-11] and 9mm [US M-13]; for sizes Large/X-Large only, 10mm [US N-15]
Yarn needle, locking stitch marker, one ⅞" shank-style button.

**GAUGE:** 2 small shells + 2 sc = 4"; 4 rows = 3½" in pattern with smallest hook. **Note:** Measure gauge over a swatch or in first few rows only, as work progresses, shells are stretched altering gauge. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

**Special Stitches**
**dc3tog** = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 3 times, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook, ch 1 to close.
**dc4tog** = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 4 times, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook, ch 1 to close.
**dc5tog** = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 5 times, yarn over and draw through all 6 loops on hook, ch 1 to close.
**dc7tog** = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 7 times, yarn over and draw through all 8 loops on hook, ch 1 to close.
**smShell (small shell)** = 5 dc in indicated stitch or space.
**medShell (medium shell)** = 7 dc in indicated stitch or space.

**Notes**
1. Capelet can be worn with button at center front or at the shoulder.
2. Capelet is worked from top edge down.The first row is worked over only the center 33 (37) chains of the foundation chain, leaving chains on either side to be worked into later in Row 3. This provides an extra two rows at the top back of the shawl for a better fit.
3. When instructed to work a shell into a dctog, work the shell into the space under the ch-1 that closed the dctog.

**CAPELET**
With smallest hook, ch 74 (78); remove loop from hook and place on locking stitch marker.
**Row 1 (Right Side):** With 2nd ball of yarn, place slip knot on hook, skip 21 ch from marker, and work sc into 22nd ch from marker, [skip next ch, smShell in next ch, skip

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next ch, sc in next ch] 8 (9) times; leave remaining 20 ch unworked, turn—8 (9) small shells and 9 (10) sc.
**Row 2:** Ch 2 (does not count as a st), dc3tog over first 3 sts, *hdc in next dc, dc5tog over next 5 sts; repeat from * across to last 4 sts, hdc in next dc, dc3tog over last 3 sts, turn—7 (8) dc5tog and 2 dc3tog. Fasten off.
**Row 3:** Place loop on stitch marker back on hook, sc in 2nd ch from hook, [skip next ch, smShell in next ch, skip next ch, sc in next ch] 4 times, skip next ch, smShell in next ch, skip next ch, sc in edge of Row 1; working across sts of Row 2, smShell in next dc3tog, [sc in next hdc, smShell in next dc5tog] 7 (8) times, sc in next hdc, smShell in next dc3tog, sc in edge of Row 1, [skip next ch, smShell in next ch, skip next ch, sc in next ch] 5 times, turn—19 (20) small shells and 20 (21) sc.
**Row 4:** Repeat Row 2—18 (19) dc5tog and dc3tog.
**Row 5:** Ch 1, (sc, smShell) in first dc3tog, *sc in next hdc, smShell in next dc5tog; repeat from * across to last hdc, sc in last hdc, (smShell, sc) in last dc3tog, turn—20 (21) small shells and 21 (22) sc.
**Row 6:** Repeat Row 2—19 (20) dc5tog, and 2 dc3tog.
**Row 7:** Repeat Row 5—21 (22) small shells and 22 (23) sc. Change to middle-sized hook.
**Row 8:** Repeat Row 2—20 (21) dc5tog and 2 dc3tog.
**Row 9:** Ch 1, (sc, medShell) in first dc3tog, *sc in next hdc, medShell in next dc5tog; repeat from * across to last hdc, sc in last hdc, (medShell, sc) in last dc3tog, turn—22 (23) medium shells and 23 (24) sc.
**Row 10:** Ch 2, dc4tog over first 4 sts, *hdc in next dc, dc7tog over next 7 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, hdc in next dc, dc4tog over last 4 sts, turn—21 (22) dc7tog and 2 dc4tog.
**Row 11:** Ch 1, (sc, medShell) in first dc4tog, *sc in next hdc, medShell in next dc7tog; repeat from * across to last hdc, sc in last hdc, (medShell, sc) in last dc4tog, turn—23 (24) medium shells and 24 (25) sc. Do not fasten off.

**Large (X-Large) Size Only**
Change to largest hook.
**Row 12:** Repeat Row 10—22 (23) dc7tog, and 2 dc4tog.
**Row 13:** Repeat Row 11, do not turn—24 (25) medium shells and 25 (26) sc. Do not fasten off.

**FINISHING**
**Edging**
Work edging with same size hook as last row of capelet.
**Row 1 (Right Side):** With Right Side facing, working in ends of rows across side edge, [work (3 sc, hdc) evenly spaced over next 2 rows, dc in end of next row] 3 (4) times, work 3 (2) sc evenly spaced over next 2 (1) row(s), 3 sc in corner; working across opposite side of foundation ch, *sc2tog; repeat from * across, 3 sc in corner; working in ends of rows across side edge, work 3 (2) sc evenly spaced over next 2 (1) row(s), [work (dc, hdc, 3 sc) evenly spaced over next 2 rows] 3 (4) times, slip st in first st of Row 11 (13), turn.
**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, working 3 sc in center sc of each 3-sc corner, slip st in last st of Row 11 (13), turn.
**Row 3:** Ch 1, sc in each sc, working 3 sc in center sc of each 3-sc corner. Fasten off.
Weave in ends. Block lightly, if desired. Use opening created by corner sts of Row 3 as buttonhole. Sew button, opposite buttonhole.

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