



## Lace Topper

*Colorful drapery bamboo thread is the perfect choice for this soft comfortable topper that flatters with flair. Wear it in the summer over a tank or in cooler weather over a longer sleeve top.*

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**Directions are for size Small/Medium; changes for size Large/XLarge are in parentheses.**

**Finished Waist:** 30 (35)"

**Finished Length:** 20 (23)"

**AUNT LYDIA'S® Iced Bamboo™:** 7 (10) balls 3501 Aqua Ice.

**Crochet Hook:** 3.5mm [US E-4].

Stitch holder or safety pin, yarn needle.

**GAUGE:** 20 sts = 4"; 13 rows = 4" in patterns. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

### Special Stitches

**Fsc (foundation single crochet) =**

**First St:** Ch 2, insert hook under top 2 strands of first ch, yarn over, draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 1 loop, yarn over, draw through both loops (first fsc complete).

**Remaining sts:** Insert hook under both loops of previous st, yarn over, draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 1 loop, yarn over, draw through both loops.

**sc2tog** = [Draw up a loop in next st] 2 times, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

### Pattern Stitches

#### Lace Panel (multiple of 5 sts + 3)

**Row 1:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, \*ch 6, skip next 4 sc, sc in next sc; repeat from \* to last sc, sc in last sc, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, dc in first 2 sc, \*ch 2, sc in next ch-6 space, ch 2, dc in next sc; repeat from \* to last sc, dc in last sc, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, dc in first 2 dc, \*ch 4, slip st in next sc, ch 4, dc in next dc; repeat from \* to last dc, dc in last dc, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 dc, \*ch 4, sc in next dc; repeat from \* to last dc, sc in last dc, turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, \*ch 6, sc in next sc; repeat from \* to last sc, sc in last sc, turn.

**Rows 6–8:** Repeat Rows 2–4.

#### Solid Panel

**Note:** Row 1 is worked over a multiple of 5 sts + 3. Rows 2–4 are the solid panel pattern which is a multiple of 3 sts + 2. Row 5 produces a multiple of 5 sts + 3 in preparation for working the Lace Panel.

**Row 1:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, \*4 sc in next ch-4 space, sc in next sc; repeat from \* to last sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, hdc in first 2 sc, \*ch 1, skip next sc, hdc in next 2 sc; repeat from \* across, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, hdc in first 2 hdc, 2 hdc in next ch-1 space, \*ch 1, skip next 2 hdc, 2 hdc in next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to last 2 hdc, hdc in last 2 hdc, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, hdc in first 2 hdc, ch 1, skip next 2 hdc, \*2 hdc in next ch-1 space, ch 1, skip next 2 hdc; repeat from \* to last 2 hdc, hdc in last 2 hdc, turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, sc in first hdc, skip next hdc, sc in next ch-1 space, \*sc in next 2 hdc, sc in next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to last 2 hdc, sc in last 2 hdc.

#### Notes

**1.** Top is intended to be oversized and flow-y. The most important measurement is the waist. Make sure the top fits your waist as desired.



2. Top is worked in one piece, from side-to-side, beginning at one sleeve edge and ending at the other sleeve edge.

## TOP

### Sleeve

Fsc 133, turn.

**Set-Up Row:** Ch 1, sc in each Fsc across.

**Rows 1–8:** Work Rows 1–8 of Lace Panel pattern—26 pattern repeats.

**Rows 9–13:** Work Rows 1–5 of Solid Panel pattern.

**Rows 14–26:** Repeat Rows 1–13.

**Note:** If a longer sleeve is desired, repeat Rows 1–13 one more time.

**Rows 27–34:** Work Rows 1–8 of Lace Panel pattern.

### Add Stitches for Sides

Set sleeve aside, but do not fasten off.

With new ball of yarn, Fsc 36 (51). Do not remove last loop from hook. Cut yarn leaving a long tail for weaving in later.

Pick up sleeve and yarn attached to sleeve.

**Row 1:** Working across last row of sleeve sts, sc2tog, 4 sc in next ch-4 space, \*sc in next sc, 4 sc in next ch-4 space; repeat from \* to last 2 sc, sc2tog, Fsc 36 (51), turn—203 (233) sc.

**Rows 2–5:** Work Rows 2–5 of Solid Lace Panel pattern.

**Rows 6–9:** Work Rows 1-4 of Lace Panel pattern—40 (46) pattern repeats.

### Divide for Front and Back

#### Front

**Row 1:** Sc in first 2 sc, [ch 6, sc in next sc] 18 (21) times, sc in next ch-4 space, turn; leave remaining sts unworked for neck and back—18 (21) pattern repeats.

**Rows 2–4:** Work Rows 6–8 of Lace Panel pattern.

**Row 5:** Ch1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, \*4 sc in next ch-4 space, sc in next sc; repeat from \* to last sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn—95 (110) sts.

**Rows 6–9:** Work Rows 2–5 of Solid Panel pattern.

**Rows 10–13 (17):** Work Rows 1–4 (8) of Lace Panel pattern.

**Row 14 (18):** Repeat Row 5—95 (110) sts..

**Rows 15 (19)–18 (22):** Work Rows 2–5 of Solid Panel pattern.

**Rows 19 (23)–27 (35):** Repeat Rows 10–18 (22).

**Rows 28–30 (38):** Work Rows 1–3 of Lace Panel pattern. Place last loop on a stitch holder or safety pin.

#### Back

**Row 1:** Skip next 2 unworked ch-4 spaces following front, join new ball of yarn with sc in next ch-4 space, sc in next sc, \*ch 6, sc in next sc; repeat from \* to last sc, sc in last sc, turn.

**Rows 2–30 (38):** Work same as Rows 2–30 (38) of front. Fasten off.

### Join Front and Back

Place loop attached to front (on holder) back on hook.

**Row 1:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 dc, \*ch 4, sc in next dc; repeat from \* across to last 2 sts of front, sc2tog, ch 19 (for neck edge), sc2tog in first 2 dc of back, \*\*ch 4, sc in next dc; repeat from \*\* across to last dc, sc in last dc, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, \*ch 6, sc in next sc; repeat from \* to ch-19 space, [ch 6, skip next 4 ch, sc in next ch] 3 times, ch 6, skip last 4 ch, sc in next sc, \*\*ch 6, sc in next sc; repeat from \*\* to last sc, sc in last sc, turn.

**Rows 3–5:** Work Rows 6–8 of Lace Panel pattern.

**Rows 6–10:** Work Rows 1–5 of Solid Panel pattern.

### Begin Second Sleeve

**Row 1:** Ch 1, sc in first 37 (52) sc, [ch 6, skip next 4 sc, sc in next sc] 26 times, sc in each sc to end of row, turn. Fasten off.

**Row 2:** Skip first 35 (50) sc, join yarn with sl st in next sc, ch 1, dc in same sc as join, dc in next sc, [ch 2, sc in next ch-6 space, ch 2, dc in next sc] 26 times, dc in next sc, turn; leave remaining sts unworked.

**Rows 3–8:** Work Rows 3–8 of Lace Panel pattern.

**Rows 9–13:** Work Rows 1–5 of Solid Panel pattern.

**Rows 14–21:** Work Rows 1–8 of Lace Panel pattern.

**Rows 22–35:** Repeat Rows 9–21.

**Note:** If a longer sleeve is desired, repeat Rows 8–21 one more time.

**Rows 36 and 37:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn. Fasten off.

## FINISHING

Fold piece across shoulder line. Sew side and sleeve seams.

### Neck Edging

**Round 1 (Right Side):** With Right Side facing join yarn in neck edge, in ch-space about 9 sts before shoulder line, work sc evenly spaced around neck edging (working 2 sc in each ch-space and sc in each sc); join with slip st in first sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, [sc in next sc, sc2tog] 6 times (to decrease over shoulder), sc in each sc to about 9 sts before next shoulder, [sc2tog, sc in next sc] 6 times, sc in each remaining sc around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

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**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.

