

29-210-21 Bolero

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Finished measurements:

bust 94cm/37in
shoulder width 35cm/13.8in
back length 39cm/15.4in
sleeve length 25cm/9.8in

Materials

- Pierrot Yarns Fine Merino [100% merino wool; 103 yds/94 m per 1 oz / 30g skein]; color #226 dark purple, 7 skeins [200g]
- 3.0mm crochet hook (halfway between US size C and D – use hook size necessary to achieve gauge)
- tapestry needle
- 3 buttons (18mm – approx. ¾ in)

Gauge

23 sts/8 rows = 4" (10cm) in pattern A

Abbreviations

Note: instructions use US/Japanese conventions.

ch	chain	sc	single crochet
hdc	half double crochet	sk	skip
dc	double crochet	sl	slip
picot	ch3, sl into first ch	st(s)	stitch(es)
prev	previous	tr	treble crochet
rep	repeat		

Note: when advised to carry yarn along an edge, make sure that yarn is held loosely so that no binding occurs in the fabric. Yarn carried along edge will be hidden later when working edging.

Pattern A (multiple of 5 sts)

when working into foundation row: (2dc, ch2, 2dc) into same stitch, sk 4 sts

when working into prev row of pattern A: (2dc, ch2, 2dc) into ch-space from prev row

Directions

Back

Foundation row: chain 104.



- Row 1 (RS):* 2dc into 4th ch from hook (*result: 3dc shell*), sk 4 sts, work pattern A 20 times, sk 4 sts, 3dc into last st, turn.
- Row 2 (WS):* ch4, 2dc into top of last dc from prev row, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch1, dc) into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 3:* ch4, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into ch-space at end of prev row, turn.
- Row 4:* ch5, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into 3rd ch of ch4 from prev row, turn.
- Row 5:* ch5, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into ch-space at end of prev row, turn.
- Row 6:* ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into last ch-2 space from prev row, dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 7:* ch3, dc into first ch-space, ch2, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into last ch-space at end of prev row, dc into next st, turn.
- Row 8:* repeat row 6.
- Row 9:* repeat row 7.
- Row 10:* repeat row 6.
- Row 11:* ch3, 2dc into first ch-space, ch2, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 22 times, dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 12:* ch3, work pattern A 20 times, (2dc, ch2, 2dc) into last ch-2 space from prev row, dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.

Armhole shaping

- Row 13:* Carrying yarn loosely along edge, sl into first ch-2 space from prev row, ch4, sc in second ch-2 space from prev row, ch2, work pattern A 18 times, ch2, hdc into next ch-space, ch4, sl into next ch-space, turn.
- Row 14:* ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into next ch-space, work pattern A 16 times, (2dc, ch2) into last ch-space of prev row, dc2tog *with one dc into ch-space and one dc into first dc from prev row*, turn.
- Row 15:* ch4, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 16 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into last ch-space, turn.
- Row 16:* ch4, 2dc into first ch-space, work pattern A 16 times, (2dc, ch1, dc) into top of ch-4 from prev row, turn.
- Row 17:* ch3, 2dc into bottom of ch3, work pattern A 16 times, 3dc-shell into 3rd ch of ch4 from prev row, turn.
- Row 18:* ch3, 2dc into first dc of prev row, work pattern A 16 times, 3dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Repeat rows 17 and 18 until (and including) row 27. Cut yarn and bind off.

- Row 28:* With wrong side facing, join yarn by slipping into 4th ch-space from edge, sc into same space, ch2, work pattern A once into 3rd ch-space from edge, work (2dc, ch2,

hdc) into 2nd ch-space from edge, ch2, sl into 1st ch-space from edge, carrying yarn loosely along edge, *do not turn*.

Row 29: sl into ch-space (between 2hdc and 2dc), sc into dc from prev row, ch3, hdc into next ch-space, dc2tog *with one dc into ch-space and one dc into dc from prev row*, cut yarn and bind off.

Repeat rows 28-29 on the other side of back piece, reversing shapings. Cut yarn and bind off.

Right front

Foundation row: chain 55.

Row 1 (RS): work 2dc into 5th ch from hook, sk 4 sts, work pattern A 9 times, 3dc-shell into last ch, turn.

Row 2 (WS): ch4, 2dc into top of last dc from prev row, work pattern A 9 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into top of ch from prev row, turn.

Row 3: ch4, work 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 9 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into ch-space at end of prev row, turn.

Row 4: ch5, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 9 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into top of ch from prev row, turn.

Row 5: repeat row 3.

Row 6: ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 9 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into top of ch from prev row, turn.

Row 7: ch4, work 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 9 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into last ch-space at end of prev row, dc into next st, turn.

Row 8: repeat row 6.

Row 9: repeat row 7.

Row 10: repeat row 6.

Row 11: ch4, work 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 10 times, dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.

Row 12: ch3, work pattern A 10 times, (2dc, ch1, dc) into top of ch from prev row, turn.

Row 13: Carrying yarn loosely along edge, sl into ch-space of first pattern A repeat from prev row, ch4, sc into next ch-space, ch2, work pattern A 6 times, ch2, hdc into next ch-space, ch4, sl into next ch-space, turn.

Row 14: Carrying yarn loosely along edge, sl into ch-2 space from prev row, sc into dc, ch2, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into ch-space, work pattern A 4 times, dc into ch-space, dc2tog *with one dc into ch-space and one dc into 2nd dc from prev row*, turn.

Row 15: ch3, work pattern A 4 times, (2dc, ch1, dc) into last ch-space, turn.

Row 16: ch4, 2dc into ch-1 space from prev row, work pattern A 3 times, 2dc into last ch-space from prev row, dc into second-to-last st of prev row, turn.

Row 17: ch3, dc into 2nd st of prev row, work pattern A 3 times, 3dc into top of ch4 from prev row, turn.

- Row 18:* ch3, 2dc into first st of prev row, work pattern A 2 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into last ch-space, dc2tog *with one dc into ch-space and one dc into top of ch3 from prev row*, turn.
- Row 19:* ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 2 times, 3dc into top of ch4 from prev row, turn.
- Row 20:* ch3, 2dc into first st of prev row, work pattern A 2 times, 2dc into last ch-space, ch2, dc2tog *with one dc into ch-space and one dc into top of ch3 from prev row*, turn.
- Row 21:* ch4, 2dc into ch-space, work pattern A 2 times, 3dc into top of ch4 from prev row, turn.
- Row 22:* ch3, 2dc into first st of prev row, work pattern A 2 times, (2dc, ch1) into last ch-space, dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 23:* repeat row 21.
- Row 24:* repeat row 22.
- Row 25:* repeat row 21.
- Row 26:* repeat row 22.
- Row 27:* repeat row 21, cut yarn and bind off.
- Row 28:* Turn work. Join yarn by slipping into first ch-space, ch2, (2hdc, ch2, 2dc) into next ch-space, (2dc, ch1) into last ch-space, dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 29:* ch3, hdc into ch-space, ch3, sc into dc right before next ch-space, sl into ch-space, cut yarn and bind off.

Left front

Work as for right front, reversing shaping.

Sleeve (make 2)

Foundation row: chain 74.

- Row 1 (RS):* work pattern A into 5th ch from hook, sk 4 sts, work pattern A 13 more times, sk 1 st, hdc into last st, turn.
- Row 2 (WS):* ch3, work pattern A 14 times, dc into top of ch post from prev row, turn.
- Row 3:* ch3, dc into first dc from prev row, work pattern A 14 times, 2dc into top of ch post from prev row, turn.
- Row 4:* ch3, dc into second dc from prev row, work pattern A 14 times, 2dc, turn.
- Row 5:* ch3, 2dc into first dc from prev row, work pattern A 14 times, 3dc into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 6:* ch5, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 14 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into top of ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 7:* ch3, dc into first ch-space, ch2, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 15 times, turn.
- Row 8:* ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 16 times, turn.

- Row 9: Carrying yarn loosely along edge, sl into second dc in 2-dc shell on prev row, ch4, dc into ch-space, work pattern A 12 times, dc2tog *with one dc in ch-space and one dc into top of ch3 from prev row*, turn.
- Row 10: Work tr and dc tog *with tr worked into top of ch-4 from prev row and dc worked into ch-space*, dc into same ch-space, work pattern A 10 times, dc into next ch-space, work dc and tr tog *with dc worked into ch-space and tr into top of ch-4 from prev row*, turn.
- Row 11: ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch-space, work pattern A 8 times, 2dc into last ch-space, ch2, dc2tog *with one dc in ch-space and one dc into top of last st*, turn.
- Row 12: ch3, 2dc into ch-space, work pattern A 8 times, 2dc into last ch-space of prev row, dc into top of ch-3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 13: ch3, work pattern A 8 times, dc into last st from prev row, turn.
- Row 14: ch3, (dc, ch2, 2dc) into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 6 times, (2dc, ch2) into last ch-space from prev row, dc2tog with one dc into ch-space and one dc into ch3 from prev row, turn.
- Row 15: ch3, 2dc into first ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 6 times, 2dc into last ch-space, dc into last st of prev row, turn.
- Row 16: ch3, work pattern A 5 times, (2dc, ch2, dc) into last ch-space from prev row, work dc2tog *with one dc in ch-space and one dc into top of ch3 from prev row*, turn.
- Row 17: ch4, dc into ch-space from prev row, work pattern A 4 times, dc and tr tog *with dc worked into ch-space and tr into top of ch-4 from prev row*, cut yarn and bind off.

Finishing

Weave in ends. Join shoulder and side seams using slip stitch. Work hem edge around hem (but *not* button band and neckline): requires 5 pattern repeats from right front, 10 pattern repeats from back, and 5 pattern repeats from left front (for a total of 20 pattern repeats along hem).

Hem edge (multiple of 10 sts)

- Row 1: ch1, sc into sc from prev row, sc into ch-1 from prev row, *sc4, ch1*, rep from * to * until 1 st remain, sc, ch1, turn.
- Row 2: sc, *sc into ch-1 from prev row, ch3, sk 4 sts from prev row, (dc, ch3, dc) into ch-1 from prev row, ch3*, rep from * to * until only 2 sts remain, sc into ch-1 from prev row, sc into sc from prev row, ch1, turn.
- Row 3: sc into sc from prev row, *ch3, (dc, ch) four times into ch-3 space from prev row, dc into same space as last 4 dc, ch3, sc into sc from prev row*, rep from * to * end of row, ch4, turn.
- Row 4: *2-dc cluster into first dc from prev row, ch2, 2-dc cluster into next dc, ch2, (2-dc cluster, ch2, 2-dc cluster) into next dc, ch2, 2-dc cluster into next dc, ch2, 2-dc cluster into next dc*, rep from * to * until no more dc remain to work into, tr into last sc of prev row, ch1, turn.
- Row 5: sc into tr from prev row, *sc into 2-dc cluster from prev row, picot, ch2*, rep from * to * until only one 2-dc cluster from prev row remains, picot, sc into top of ch-4 post from prev row, cut yarn and bind off.

Work hem edge on bottom edge of each sleeve (i.e., what will be the cuff). This requires 7 pattern repeats around each sleeve cuff. Join underarm seam using slip stitch. Join sleeve to body of garment using slip stitch.

Starting at bottom corner of right front and working up button band towards the neckline, working edging as follows:

Row 1: Join yarn by slipping into sc at bottom of hem (worked in edging B). ch1, sc into same sc, sc 6 evenly across side of edging B. Starting with sc into ch at edge of foundation row, work 29 sc evenly spaced along right front edge [approx. 3sc per 1dc]. ch1, work sc into same st just worked into. Work 55 more sc along right front neckline. Work 36 sc along back neckline. Work 56 sc along left front neckline, ch1, work 29 sc down left front to corner of foundation row, work 7 sc along side of edging B, ending in last sc in the side of edging B, ch1, turn.

Row 2: **front left edge:** sc into first sc from prev row, *ch1, sk1, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc*, rep from * to * 9 times – on 9th repeat, work last sc into ch-1 at corner on prev row.

front left neckline: *ch1, sk2, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc* once.

ch1, sk1, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc, rep from * to * 13 times.

Back of neckline: *ch1, sk1, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc*, rep from * to * 9 times.

front right neckline: *ch1, sk1, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc*, rep from * to * 13 times.

ch1, sk2, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc once.

front right edge: *ch1, sk1, (2dc, picot, dc, picot) into sc, ch1, sk1, sc*, rep from * to * 9 times. Cut yarn and bind off.

Weave in loose ends. Sew three buttons to garment on left button band. (Note that there are no worked buttonholes – use spaces between edge stitches as buttonholes.)