

liv's a-line sweater

materials:

- size i crochet hook
- worsted weight yarn (medium, 4) – roughly 850 yards (i used loops & threads impeccably big! and used about 1.5 skeins)

pattern for ladies' size medium:

chain 79

row 1:

dc in 3rd chain from hook. dc in each of next 12 stitches. 3dc in next stitch. dc in next 13 stitches. 3dc in next stitch. dc in each of next 20 stitches. 3dc in next stitch. dc in each of next 13 stitches. 3dc in next stitch. dc in each of next 13 stitches. chain 2, turn.

rows 2-13:

dc in each dc from previous row, putting 3dc in center stitch of 3dc below. chain 2, turn.
(to fit shoulders, add or decrease rows as necessary to rows 2-13. move on to row 14 instructions when the piece reaches the tip of your shoulder).

row 14:

dc in each dc up to and including the center stitch of first 3dc below. sl st in center stitch of next 3dc (creates armhole). dc in each dc (starting with a dc in the center stitch) up to and including center of next 3dc below. sl st in center stitch of next 3dc (creates other armhole). dc to end (starting with a dc in the center stitch), slip st in first stitch of previous row to connect back of sweater, chain 2, do not turn.

round 15:

dc around, sl st in top of chain 2, chain 2, do not turn.

rounds 16-20:

dc around, with 1 increase worked into the round at each armhole (for a total of 2 increases per round). sl st in top of chain 2, chain 2, do not turn.

rounds 21-24:

dc around, with 1 decrease worked into the round at each armhole (for a total of 2 decreases per round). sl st in top of chain 2, chain 2 (except on round 24 – there, only chain 1), do not turn.

(to fit bust, add or remove rows from rounds 16-20 and 21-24 as necessary to fit bust).

rounds 25-28:

sc around, sl st in chain 1, chain 1 (except for round 28 – there, chain 2), do not turn.

round 29-33:

dc around, with 2 increases worked into the round at sides (line up with previous increases/decreases), sl st in top of chain 2. chain 2, do not turn.

rounds 34-end:

dc around, sl st in top of chain 2, chain 2, do not turn. repeat rows until sweater is desired length. on last round, end with sl st and finish off.

finishing:

- the pattern creates an opening at the back of the neckline that you can fasten however you would like. when making the original sweater, i left the opening in the back except at the very top. when adding the edging, i joined the top of the opening with a sl st and crocheted my edging across. other suggestions: seam with a method of your choosing (whip stitch or woven seam recommended); adding buttons; etc.
- crochet an edging of your choice around the bottom, armholes, and neckline of the top. the crab stitch works well with this sweater.
- weave in all ends.

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