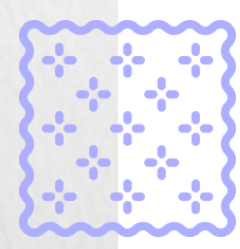




Gemerald T-Shirt

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Difficulty Level



MATERIALS

Yarn

At least 750y (690m) of category 4 worsted weight yarn like [Juniper Moon Farm's Cumulus](#) (15% more for each size above S)

Hook

5.5mm US I-9

Misc.

4 stitch markers to mark raglan increases. Optional tapestry needle for minor finishing.

GAUGE AND SIZING

22 sts by 13.5 rows on a 6x6" (15x15cm) swatch in linked double crochet. (9 rows in 4" if you don't like counting 'half' stitches)

Sizing

To fit up to bust measurement:

Small: 36" (92cm)

Medium: 38" (96cm)

Large: 40" (101cm)

Extra Large: 44" (111cm)

2X Large: 48" (122cm)

3X Large: 52" (132cm)

Instructions are written **S (M, L, XL, 2X, 3X)**.

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OVERVIEW

This pattern is worked from the top-down, starting with a shorter chain and increasing stitches at 4 points to grow the back, sleeves and front sections at the same time. Once the required length is reached for a given size, shaping rows are worked, then the sleeves are separated from the body stitches. Body is then worked alone to desired length. Finally, ribbing is added to the neckline and bottom cuff.



Stitches

Linked Double Crochet (Ldc)

The majority of this sweater is worked in **linked double crochet**, which differs from regular double crochet.

Rather than “yarning over” before inserting into the stitch, you’ll insert your hook into the front sash on the previous double crochet stitch and pull up a loop. You can think of this loop as the “yarn over.” Then, insert into the next stitch and pull up a loop. With 3 loops on the hook, complete a regular double crochet.

**The first stitch of a linked double crochet row/round will be a regular double crochet, because it doesn’t have a stitch to link to yet*

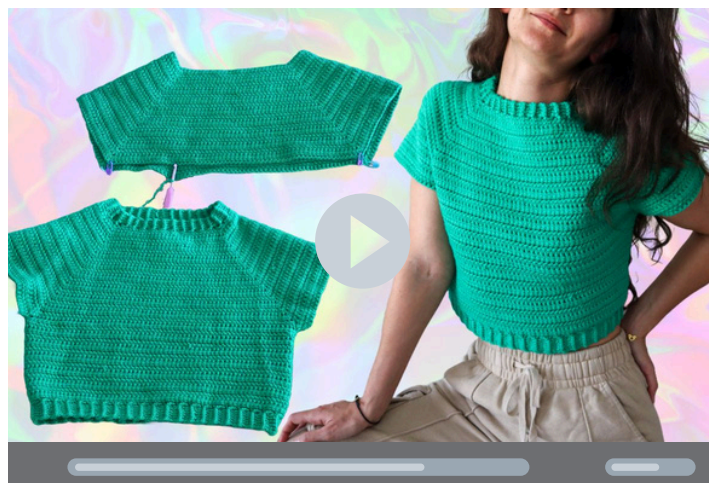
Increasing

To increase in linked double crochet, work multiple linked double crochet stitches into the same stitch (be sure to continue “linking” them as described above).

Front post half double crochet

You'll also be asked to work front post half double crochet (fphdc) for the ribbed cuffs.

For detailed demonstration of all the techniques used in this pattern, don’t forget to check out the [video tutorial!](#)



Pattern

To begin, ch 82 (90, 90, 102, 100, 102) chs and join in the rnd

Round 1: Ch2 (doesn't count as a st) and make *3 ldc (increase). Place a “back” marker in the center stitch of the increase. Then, make 1ldc in each of the next 27 (29, 29, 34, 33, 33) chs. Increase, place another “back” marker in the center stitch of the increase. Make 1ldc in each of the next 12 (14, 14, 15, 15, 16) chs. Increase, place a “front” marker. Then, make 1ldc in each of the next 27 (29, 29, 34, 33, 33) chs. Increase, place another “front” marker in the center stitch of the increase. Make 1hdc in each of the next 12 (14, 14, 15, 15, 16) chs. Slip stitch to the first ldc to complete the rnd.

Rnd 2(S, M sizes only): Ch 2, turn your work. Make 1ldc in each st of the prev rnd and make 3ldc increase in the marked st (move marker up to center st of new increase).

Rnd 2 (L-3X sizes only): Ch 2, turn your work. Make 1ldc in each st of the prev rnd and make 5ldc increase in the marked st (move marker up to center st of new increase).

Rnd 3 (all sizes): Ch 2, turn your work. Make 1ldc in each st of the prev rnd and make 3ldc increase in the marked st (move marker up to center st of new increase). *rnd 3 is a repeat of rnd 2 for s/m**

Rep rnd 2 and 3 for a total of 17 (18, 5, 5, 10, 10) rounds

Sizes L-3X only: Continue, repeating only Rnd 3 for (13, 14, 8, 11) more rnds (18, 19, 18, 21) yoke rnds total.

2X, 3X only: On last (2, 3) rnds of yoke (rnds 17+18 for 2X, rnds 19+20+21 for 3X), work an **extra stitch** on the body side of the marker only. *This will put 4 sts in each increase, so be mindful of which stitch is the “marked” stitch and which is the addtl body stitch.*

Neckline Shaping

To keep our neckline from riding up in the front, we'll add 2 rows to the sleeves and back sections only.

To do this, break the yarn and reattach at a "front" marked stitch. Make sure your work is positioned so that the correct side is facing you in order to maintain your stitch pattern and so you are working **towards** the next "back" marker and away from the other front marker.

Ch2 and begin working in linked double crochet across sleeve and back sections only. Do not increase at next marked st. When you work one stitch into a marked stitch, mark the new stitch.

When you work 1ldc in the next "front" marker, ch2 and turn your work, leaving the front section unworked. Work back the other way in ldc as before.

Separating Out The Sleeves

Again, attach your yarn at the same stitch that we re-attached at to begin neckline shaping. I was able to slip stitch over to this spot but you may break and reattach the yarn as well.

Fold your piece in half and slip stitch to the first "back" stitch next to the closest back marker, skipping all sleeve stitches.

Ch2 and begin working in ldc across the back of your sweater.

After working into the stitch before the next "back" marker, work your next dc into what was the last "front" marked stitch before we did the neck shaping. Continue working along the front of your sweater in ldc. Sl st to the first dc of your new body-only rnd to complete the rnd.

Continue working in rounds on the body until your sweater is as long as you'd like! I did 14 rnds for about 6" of length.

Ribbing

I worked in front post half double crochet to create the ribbing

To begin, attach your yarn to a stitch on the bottom hem or neckline of the sweater. Chain your desired ribbing width, and work in hdc along the chain. *Sl st to the next stitch on the sweater, and into 2 more sts on the sweater. Turn, and work fphdc around each st from the prev row. Ch 1, turn, work 1fphdc for each st.* Rep between * until you've worked along the entire hem.

I took the opportunity to shape the neck a little bit more while adding the ribbing to the neckline. I did this by decreasing a couple ribbing sts for the front section only. See corresponding video tutorial for a detailed demo!

Seaming

No seaming required! But you may notice a little extra flap at the underarm from our neck shaping. I seamed the flap to the body with a tapestry needle and a couple stitches.



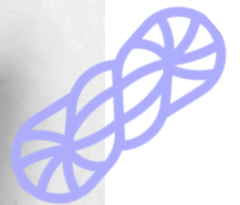
Thank You!



I hope you enjoyed it as much as I enjoyed making it for you all. Before you ask, yes, you can sell any items you craft using this pattern! I also encourage you to contact me anytime with questions.

Happy stitching!

- *Michelle*



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