

Sun-Kissed Top

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1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED SIZES

Instructions given fit size X-small; changes for small, medium, large and X-large are in [].

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 27 inches (*X-small*) [29 inches (*small*), 33 inches (*medium*), 37½ inches (*large*), 42 inches (*X-large*)] over ribbing

Length: 24½ inches (*X-small*) [24½ inches (*small*), 24½ inches (*medium*), 24½ inches (*large*), 24½ inches (*X-large*)]

MATERIALS

- Berroco Weekend DK light (DK) weight acrylic/cotton yarn (3½ oz/268 yds/100g per skein):
3 [3, 4, 4, 5] skeins
#2910 cornsilk
- Sizes F/5/3.75mm and G/6/4mm crochet hooks or size needed to obtain gauge
- Stitch markers



GAUGE

Size F hook: 21 sts = 4 inches;
14 rows = 3¾ inches in ribbing
6 shells = 5 inches; 6 rows =
2 inches in shell pattern
Take time to check gauge.

PATTERN NOTES

Chain-3 at beginning of row or round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Front is worked starting from left side.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Top is intended to be blocked with negative ease.

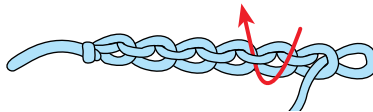
SPECIAL STITCH

Shell: (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in indicated sp.

TOP

BACK

Row 1 (WS): With size F hook, ch 111, working in **back bar of chs** (see illustration), sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn. (110 sts)



Back Bar of Chain

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3 (see Pattern Notes), dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, [shell in next st, sk next 4 sts] 3 [3, 4, 4, 4] times, shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, dc in **back lp only** (see Stitch Guide) of each rem st across, turn. (4 [4, 5, 5, 5] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in back lp of next 88 [88, 83, 83, 83] dc, ch 2, [sc in ch sp of next shell, ch 4] 3 [3, 4, 4, 4] times, sc in ch sp of last shell, ch 2, sc in each of last 2 dc, turn. (94 [94, 90, 90, 90] sc, 5 [5, 6, 6, 6] ch sps)

Row 4: Ch 3, dc in next st, [sk next ch sp, shell in next sc] 4 [4, 5, 5, 5] times, sk next ch sp, dc in back lp of each rem st across, turn. (4 [4, 5, 5, 5] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

[Rep rows 3 and 4 alternately] 22 [24, 28, 32, 36] times. Rep row 3.

Next row: Sc in back lp of each sc and ch across. Fasten off.

FRONT

Row 1 (WS): Ch 131, working in back bar of chs, sc in 2nd ch

Designer Tip

Blocking is important to get top to fit correctly. The front and the back will stretch widthwise as they are worked. It may look too wide to fit and too short to look as in the diagram. Wet-block, and instead of laying top flat to dry, hang it from a sturdy hanger. The weight of the garment combined the properties of the cotton yarn will have it the correct proportions in no time!

from hook and each ch across, turn. (130 sts)

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3, dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, [shell in next st, sk next 4 sts] 7 [7, 8, 8, 8] times, shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, dc in back lps of each rem st across, turn. (8 [8, 9, 9, 9] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in back lps of next 88 [88, 83, 83, 83] dc, ch 2, [sc in ch sp of next shell, ch 4] 7 [7, 8, 8, 8] times, sc in ch sp of last shell, ch 2, sc in each of last 2 dc, turn. (98 [98, 94, 94, 94] sc, 9 [9, 10, 10, 10] ch sps)

Row 4: Ch 3, dc in next st, [sk next ch sp, shell in next sc] 8 [8, 9, 9, 9] times, sk next ch sp, dc in back lp of each rem st across, turn. (8 [8, 9, 9, 9] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

[Rep rows 3 and 4 alternately] 4 [4, 6, 8, 10] times. Rep row 3. Fasten off.

FRONT NECK

Row 1 (RS): With RS facing, sk 4 ch sps from right edge, **join** (see Pattern Notes) yarn in first ch of next ch sp, ch 3, dc in next ch of same ch sp, sk next 2 chs of same ch sp, [shell in next sc, sk next ch sp] 4 [4, 5, 5, 5] times, dc in back lps of each rem st across, turn. (4 [4, 5, 5, 5] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)



This sunny top is deceptively simple to create with two pieces seamed together at the sides and shoulders. Easy shaping is achieved with vertical rows crocheted in the back loops.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in back lp of each of next 88 [88, 83, 83, 83] dc, ch 2, [sc in ch sp of next shell, ch 4] 3 [3, 4, 4, 4] times, sc in ch sp of last shell, ch 2, sc in each of last 2 dc, turn. (94 [94, 90, 90, 90] sc, 5 [5, 6, 6, 6] ch sps)

Row 3: Ch 3, dc in next st, [sk next ch sp, shell in next sc] 4 [4, 5, 5, 5] times, sk next ch sp, dc in back lps of each rem st across, turn. (4 [4, 5, 5, 5] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

[Rep rows 2 and 3 alternately] 10 [12, 12, 12, 12] times.

Next row: Ch 1, sc in back lp of each of next 88 [88, 83, 83, 83] dc, ch 2, [sc in ch sp of next shell, ch 4] 3 [3, 4, 4, 4] times, sc in ch sp of last shell, ch 2, sc in each of last 2 dc, ch 22, turn. (94 [94, 90, 90, 90] sc, 5 [5, 6, 6, 6] ch sps)

FRONT RIGHT SHOULDER

Row 1 (RS): Dc in 4th ch from hook (3 sk chs count as first dc), sk next 2 chs, [shell in next ch, sk next 4 chs] 3 times, shell in next ch, sk next 2 sc and ch sp, shell in each of next 4 [4, 5, 5, 5] sc, sk next ch sp, dc in back lps of each

rem st across, turn. (8 [8, 9, 9, 9] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in back lps of next 88 [88, 83, 83, 83] dc, ch 2, [sc in ch sp of next shell, ch 4] 7 [7, 8, 8, 8] times, sc in ch sp of last shell, ch 2, sc in each of last 2 dc, turn. (98 [98, 94, 94, 94] sc, 9 [9, 10, 10, 10] ch sps)

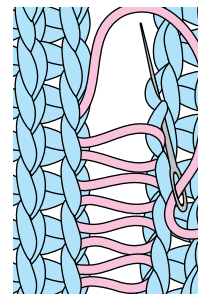
Row 3: Ch 3, dc in next st, [sk next ch sp, shell in next sc] 8 [8, 9, 9, 9] times, sk next ch sp, dc in back lps of each rem st across, turn. (8 [8, 9, 9, 9] shells, 90 [90, 85, 85, 85] dc)

[Rep rows 2 and 3 alternately] 4 [4, 6, 8, 10] more times. Rep row 3.

Next row: Ch 1, sc in each st and ch across. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Count 80 [78, 74, 72, 68] sts from bottom of Front and Back on each side and mark with stitch marker. Seam Front and Back tog using **invisible seam** (see illustration) up to marker. Seam shoulders of Front to Back on each side.



Invisible Seam

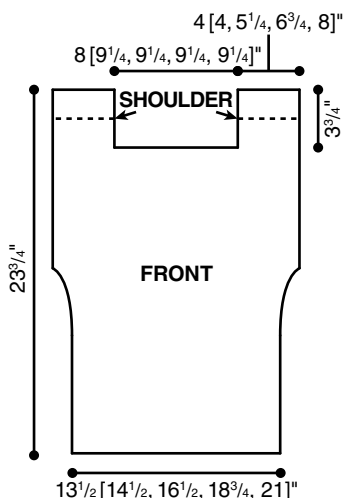
BOTTOM EDGE

Rnd 1: With larger hook, join yarn at Front right seam, ch 3, 2 dc in seam, working into ends of every other sc row (2 sc rows at seam count as 1 row end), shell 23 [25, 29, 33, 37] times evenly sp around edge, 3 dc in same seam as beg ch-3 (first shell finished), join with sc in top of beg ch-3. (24 [26, 30, 34, 38] shells)

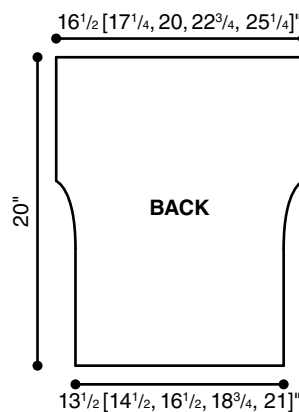
Rnd 2: Ch 4, [sc in ch sp of next shell, ch 4] around, join in first sc.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, 2 dc in first sc, shell in each sc around, 3 dc in first sc, join with sc in top of beg ch-3.

[Rep rnds 2 and 3 alternately] twice. Fasten off. **CW**



Note: Front length does not include Bottom Edge.



Note: Back length does not include Bottom Edge.



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STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

beg	begin/begins/beginning
bpdc	back post double crochet
bpsc	back post single crochet
bptr	back post treble crochet
CC	contrasting color
ch(s)	chain(s)
ch-	refers to chain or space previously made (i.e., ch-1 space)
ch sp(s)	chain space(s)
cl(s)	cluster(s)
cm	centimeter(s)
dc	double crochet (singular/plural)
dc dec	double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
dec	decrease/decreases/decreasing
dtr	double treble crochet
ext	extended
fpdc	front post double crochet
fpdc	front post single crochet
fpdc	front post treble crochet
g	gram(s)
hdc	half double crochet
hdc dec	half double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
inc	increase/increases/increasing
lp(s)	loop(s)
MC	main color
mm	millimeter(s)
oz	ounce(s)
pc	popcorn(s)
rem	remain/remains/remaining
rep(s)	repeat(s)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sc	single crochet (singular/plural)
sc dec	single crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
sk	skip/skipped/skipping
sl st(s)	slip stitch(es)
sp(s)	space(s)/space(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
tog	together
tr	treble crochet
trtr	triple treble
WS	wrong side
yd(s)	yard(s)
yo	yarn over

YARN CONVERSION

OUNCES TO GRAMS	GRAMS TO OUNCES
1.....28.4	25..... ⁷ / ₈
2.....56.7	40.....1 ¹ / ₂
3.....85.0	50.....1 ³ / ₄
4.....113.4	100.....3 ¹ / ₂

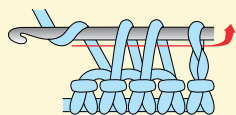
UNITED STATES

UNITED KINGDOM

sl st (slip stitch)	=	sc (single crochet)
sc (single crochet)	=	dc (double crochet)
hdc (half double crochet)	=	htr (half treble crochet)
dc (double crochet)	=	tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet)	=	dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet)	=	ttr (triple treble crochet)
skip	=	miss

Single crochet

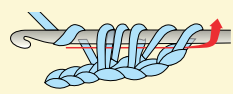
decrease (sc dec): (Insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



Example of 2-sc dec

Half double crochet

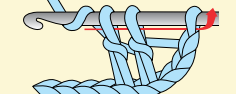
decrease (hdc dec): (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



Example of 2-hdc dec

Double crochet

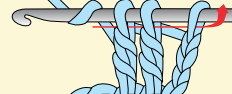
decrease (dc dec): (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



Example of 2-dc dec

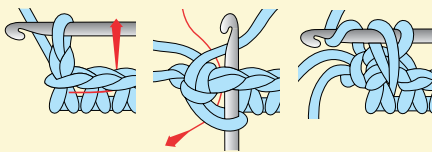
Treble crochet

decrease (tr dec): Holding back last lp of each st, tr in each of the sts indicated, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

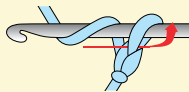


Example of 2-tr dec

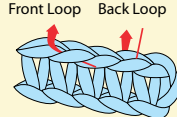
Reverse single crochet (reverse sc): Ch 1, sk first st, working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back, draw up lp on hook, yo and draw through both lps on hook.



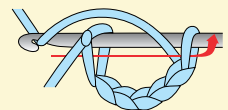
Chain (ch): Yo, pull through lp on hook.



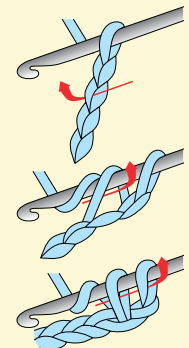
Front loop (front lp) Back loop (back lp)



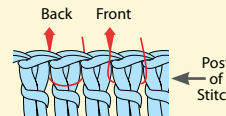
Slip stitch (sl st): Insert hook in st, pull through both lps on hook.



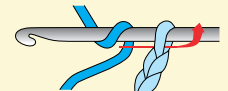
Single crochet (sc): Insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through both lps on hook.



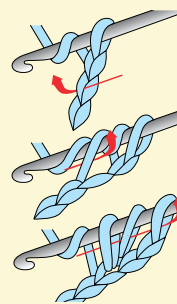
Front post stitch (fp): Back post stitch (bp): When working post st, insert hook from right to left around post of st on previous row.



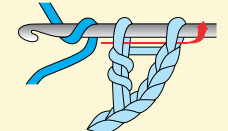
Chain color change (ch color change) Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.



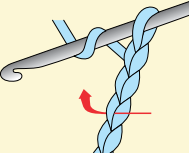
Half double crochet (hdc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.



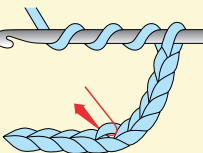
Double crochet (dc color change) Drop first color, yo with new color, draw through last 2 lps of st.



Double crochet (dc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] twice.



Double treble crochet (dtr): Yo 3 times, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 4 times.



Treble crochet (tr): Yo twice, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 3 times.

