

## Leaf Me On

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Terms: US
Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL
Skill level: Intermediate
Crochet hooks: 3.5 mm (E)
Materials: Elastic band, sewing needle, scissors, measuring tape, yarn for sewing.
Yarn: Cotton Kings Sultan.

How much yarn do you need?
$\mathrm{S}=875 \mathrm{yds} / 800 \mathrm{~m} / 200 \mathrm{gr}$ (1 ball)
M = 1000 yds / 914 m / 230 gr (2 balls)
L = 1130 yds / $1030 \mathrm{~m} / 260 \mathrm{gr}$ (2 balls)
1XL = 1250 yds / $1140 \mathrm{~m} / 285 \mathrm{gr}$ (2 balls)
2XL = 1380 yds /1260 m / 320 gr (2 balls)
$3 X L=1490$ yds $/ 1360 \mathrm{~m} / 340 \mathrm{gr}$ (2 balls)

Get the yarn here:
http://shop.hobbii.com/leaf-me-on

Gauge
with $3.5 \mathrm{~mm}(\mathrm{E})$ hook
$18 \mathrm{dc}=10 \mathrm{~cm}$ (4")
10 rows = 10 cm (4")
In 10 cm of elastic band I had 50 sc

## Final Measurement (waist)

- $\mathbf{S}=66 \mathrm{~cm}\left(26{ }^{\prime \prime}\right)$
- $\mathbf{M}=74 \mathrm{~cm}$ (29")
- L = 84 cm (33")
- 1XL = 94 cm (37")
- $2 X L=104 \mathrm{~cm}\left(41^{\prime \prime}\right)$
- $3 X L=112 \mathrm{~cm}$ (44")

The length is for all sizes 50 cm ( 19.5 "), but you can adjust the length of the crocheted top-skirt by making more or less rounds.

## What stitches you will have to know

- Chain (ch)
- Single Crochet (Sc)
- Double crochet (dc)
- Slip stitch (sl st)
- 2 double crochet worked together (dc2tog) - yarn over, insert the hook trough the st, yarn over and pull the yarn through first 2 loops ( keep 2 loops on your hook. Repeat 2 times. Yarn over and pull the yarn through all 3 loops on your hook
- 4 double crochet worked together (dc4tog) - the same as dc2tog, only that you will do this for time, in 4 sts.

Now we can start!
First, grab a measuring tape and measure your waist, or you can get the elastic band itself and put it around your waist. The idea is that after this procedure you will have one elastic band that measures your waist.

Next, sew the edges of the elastic band, to make a circle. The measurements of the elastic band are the same as the final waist measurement that I listed above.

## Round 1

Sc in rounds to cover the elastic band. When you get to the end of the round sl st to join.


## Round 2

Ch 1 and put 1 sc in each stitch. At this round you will have to count the sts that you have. According to my gauge you should have:

- $\mathbf{S}=332$ sts
- $\mathbf{M}=372$ sts
- $L=422$ sts
- 1XL = 472 sts
- $2 X L=522$ sts
- $3 X L=562$ sts

If you don't have the same number of sts it's not a problem. We will adjust the number of sts on the next round. Gauge isn't that important in this crocheted top-skirt pattern. If the elastic band fits your waist then everything will be just fine. The only thing that matters is to have a multiple of 16 sts. As you can see, the numbers above aren't multiple of 16 , that's why we will do the next round in double crochet and adjust that.

## Round 3

1 dc in each st and as many increases that you need to get to a multiple of 16 sts.
In order to find out how many increases you have to make in this round: divide the number of sts that you have by 16 .

Example: $332 \div 16=20.75$
Now take the next number (in the example above 21) and multiply it with 16 ( $21 \times 16=336$ ).
So in this example we will need 336 sts to have a multiple of 16 . We already have 332 sts, so we will need 4 more sts. So we will do 4 increases during round 3.

So:

- $\mathbf{S}=$ we have 332 sts and we will add 4 sts, in total 336 sts
- $\mathbf{M}=$ we have 372 sts, add 12 sts, in total 384 sts
- L = we have 422 sts, add 10 sts, in total 432 sts
- 1XL = we have 472 sts, add 8 sts, in total 480 sts
- 2XL = we have 522 sts, add 6 sts, in total 528 sts
- 3 XL $=$ we have 562 sts, add 14 sts, in total 576 sts

Now that we have the needed number of sts, we can begin with the stitch pattern. We will start counting the round again from 1.

We will work in rounds so we will start and end a little bit differently.

## Round 1

Begin with 3 sl st. Ch 3 . This chain 3 counts as a first dc. 1 dc in the same ch $3 \mathrm{st}, 1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next 3 sts. Ch 3, skip 3 sts, 1 dc in the next 3 , 2 dc in the next.
[Ch 3, skip the next 5 sts, 2 dc in the next, 1 dc in the next 3 sts. Ch 3, skip the next 3 sts, 1 dc in the next $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next]. Repeat the section between [] to the end of the round. The round will end with ch 3 , skip the last 5 sts and join with sl st with the 3rd st of the starting ch.

## Round 2

Ch 3, 1 dc in the next 2 sts, dc2tog in the next 2
[ch 5 , skip the ch 3 , dc2tog in the next 2 sts, 1 dc in the next 3 , ch 2 , skip the ch 3,1 dc in the next 3 sts , dc2tog in the next 2]. Repeat the section between [] to the end of the round. The round will end with dc2tog, 1 dc in the next 3 , ch 2 and join with sl st with the 3 rd st of the starting chain.

## Round 3

Ch 3, 1 dc in the next st, dc2tog in the next 2.
[ch $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ in the 3 rd st of the 5 sts chain, ch 3 , dc2tog in the next 2 sts, 1 dc in the next 2 , ch 1 , skip the ch $2,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next 2 sts , dc2tog in the next 2]

Repeat the section between [] to the end of the round. The round will end with dc2tog, 1 dc in the next 2 sts, ch 1 and join with the 3rd st of the starting chain.

## Round 4

Ch 3, dc2tog in the next 2 sts.
[Ch 3, skip the ch 3,3 dc in the next dc, ch 1,3 dc in the next dc, ch 3 , skip the ch 3 , dc2tog in the next 2 sts, 1 dc in next, skip the ch1, 1 dc in the next st, dc2tog in the next 2 sts].

Repeat the section between [] to the end of the round. The round will end with dc2tog, 1 dc in next, join with the 3rd st of the starting ch.

## Round 5

Ch2, 1 dc in the next.
[Ch3, skip the ch $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next st, 1 dc in the next 2 , ch $2,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next $2,2 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next st, ch 3, dc4tog]

Repeat the section between [ ] to the end of the round ending the round with 3 partial dc, then insert the hook into the st at the beginning of the round, yarn over end pull the yarn trough all loops on your hook( we will finish this way the dc4tog).

So, these are the first 5 rounds that we will have to repeat to the end of our Crocheted Top-Skirt.


Round 6 and each next round after a set of 5 , will be the same as round 1 . Just a little bit different counting that we are not working in a foundation.

Let's see:
First, every round after a set of 5 , has to start in a dc. So, we will slip the stitches to the first dc ( a ch 3).

Then, ch3, 1 dc in the same st, 1 dc in the next 3 sts, ch 3 , skip the ch $2,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next 3 sts, 2 dc in the next.
[Ch 3, skip the (ch 3, dc4tog st, ch 3), 2 dc in the next st, 1 dc in the next 3, ch 3, skip the ch 2 , 1 dc in the next 3 sts, 2 dc in the next].

Repeat the section between [ ] to the end of the round ending the round with ch 3 , skip the ch 2 , 1 dc in the next 3 , 2 dc in next, ch 3, skip (ch 3, dc4tog, ch 3 ) and join with the 3rd st of the starting chain.

The other 4 rounds of a set of 5 , will be the same as rounds $2,3,4$ and 5 .
Repeat the set of 5 rounds until you get to the desired length. I made 35 rounds, but if you want a shorter or a longer skirt or top make more or less rounds.

Hope you will enjoy this pattern :-)


