

CROCHET PATTERN
Maria

## Cardigan

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## MATERIALS

5 (5, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 7) skeins of Fluffy Day, color 18

Crochet hook 6 mm (US J-10)
Or any hook size that meets the gauge
Stitch markers
Darning needle

## YARN QUALITY

(a3) Fluffy Day, Hobbii
100 \% acrylic
$100 \mathrm{~g}(3.8 \mathrm{oz})=285 \mathrm{~m}(312 \mathrm{yds})$

## GAUGE

$10 \mathrm{~cm} \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}\left(4^{\prime \prime} \times 4^{\prime \prime}\right)=18$ sts $\times 12$ rows

## YARN USAGE

1300 m [1400 m, 1500 m, 1600 m, 1650 m, 1750 m, 1850 m, 1900 m, 1950 m] / 1421.6 yd [1531 yd, 1640 yd, 1749.7 yd, 1804.4 yd, 1913.8 yd, 1913.8 yd, $2077.8 \mathrm{yd}, 2132.5 \mathrm{yd}]$.

## SIZES

XS [S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL]

## MEASUREMENTS

Width: 40 [45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80] cm / 15.7" [17.7", 19.6", 21.6", 23.6", 25.5", 27.5", 29.5", 31.4"]

Length: 50 [51, 52, 53, 53, 54.5, 54.5, 55.5, $55.5]$ cm / 19.6" [20", 20.4", 20.8", 20.8", 21.4", 21.4", 21.8", 21.8"]

## PATTERN INFORMATION

The body of the Maria Cardi is crocheted sideways in one single panel. Once finished, both shoulders are sewn together and the bell sleeves are crocheted directly from the body. This easy and smart construction makes the Maria Cardi a simple and stylish piece that will become one of your closet staples.

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## QUESTIONS

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## Pattern



## ABBREVIATIONS

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ch = chain(s)
ch-1 = chain previously made
st(s) = stitches
RS = Right side
WS = Wrong side
SLST = Slip Stitch
SC = Single Crochet
DC = Double Crochet
HSC = Herringbone Single Crochet
RHSC = Reverse Herringbone Single Crochet
HSC 2TOG = Herringbone Single Crochet two loops together
SLST BLO = Slip Stitch in the back loop
HSC INC = Herringbone Single Crochet increase (2 HSC in the same st)
SH = Shell stitch
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## INFO AND TIPS

On the body panel, always insert your hook in the second ch/st from hook at the beginning of each row.

On the body panel, the turning ch 1 at the beginning of each row does not count as a st. On the sleeves, the ch 1 at the beginning of each round does count as a st.

On the body panel, HSC rows are crocheted on the RS of the work. They start at the bottom of your cardi and finish at the top. RHSC rows are crocheted on the WS of the project and go from the top to the bottom.

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## How to do the main stitches

## Herringbone Single Crochet (HSC)

The HSC is made on the RS of your work (odd rows). Make a SC in the second ch from the hook. Now insert your hook through the left strand (leg) of the SC you just made and also through both loops of the next stitch. Yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through all 3 loops. Repeat this process (now inserting your hook through the left strand of the last HSC BLO stitch you made) until you finish the row.


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Reverse Herringbone Single Crochet (RHSC)
The RHSC is made on the WS of your work (even rows). The process here is the same as with the HSC except that sts are worked from back to front (instead of the conventional way, from front to back).

Make a SC from back to front in the second ch from the hook. Now insert your hook into the left strand of the previous SC and also from back to front through both loops of the next st. Yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through all 3 loops. It may be easier to see the st if you flip down your work, so you are looking at the right side.


Herringbone Single Crochet two loops together (HSC 2TOG)
You will make a HSC 2TOG when you crochet over short rows, to create the cardi's $V$ neck on both the right and left hand side panels.

## Right hand side of neckline (when wearing the cardi)

You will make a row of HSC that will go over the short rows that create the Maria Cardi's V neck on the front panel. This row will join shorter rows to longer rows by crocheting a HSC 2TOG when going from one to the other.

Once you have done the last HSC on a shorter row, insert your hook into the left strand (leg) of that st and also into the turning ch of the previous short row. Without yarning over again, also insert your hook into both loops of the next available stitch (on the longer row). Yarn over and pull up a loop, you should have 4 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all loops.


The tapestry needles show all the loops/sts where you need to insert your hook in to make the HSC 2TOG.


Step 2: Also insert your hook into the turning ch of the previous short row (second needle from the top on the image above).


Step 1: Once you have done the last HSC on a shorter row, insert your hook into the left strand (leg) of that st.


Step 3: Without yarning over, also insert your hook into both loops of the next available stitch (on the longer row).


Step 4: Yarn over and pull up a loop, you should have 4 loops on your hook.


Step 5: Yarn over and pull through all loops.

Note: To crochet a regular HSC after making a HSC 2TOG, simply insert your hook into the left strand (leg) of the HSC 2TOG and then proceed to make a normal HSC.

## Left hand side of neckline

The HSC 2TOG here is crocheted the same way as the one on the right panel. The only difference is that here you make the longest row of HSC first and the short rows that create the $V$ neck are linked to it via a HSC 2TOG.

## Shell Stitch (SH)

In this pattern you will make a SH st on the side ribbing of the Maria Cardi. SLST in the bottom right corner of your cardigan, then *skip the next 2 sts and work 5 DC into the next st. Skip the next 2 sts, then SLST into the next st. Repeat from * across the edge of the right panel, back neck and left panel.

Please note: Ideally you need a total number of sts multiple of 6 for this edge to work. If you don't, however, this is easy to fix. Instead of skipping 2 sts before and after the SLST, skip one st less or one st more (depending on what you need) on the last few SH sts of your row to achieve the number of sts you require.


## BODY

The pattern for the body panel is divided in different sections and will be presented as per below:


LEFT FRONT PANEL (when wearing the sweater)

## Neck - Left panel

Ch 91 [ 93, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99, 101, 101].

Row 1 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 89 [ $91,93,95,95,97,97,99,99]$ HSC. Ch 1 and turn. Row 2 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [ 91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 3 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 44 [45, 46, 47, 47, 48, 48, 49, 49] HSC. Ch 1 and turn. Row 4 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $44[45,46,47,47,48,48,49,49]$ RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 5 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 44 [45, 46, 47, 47, 48, 48, 49, 49] HSC, 1 HSC 2TOG, 10 [8, 8, $8,8,8,8,7,7]$ HSC. Ch 1 and turn ( $56[55,56,57,57,58,58,58,58]$ sts).
Row 6 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $55[54,55,56,56,57,57,57,57]$ RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 7 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 55 [54, 55, 56, 56, 57, 57, 57, 57] HSC, 1 HSC 2TOG, 10 [8, 8, 8, 8, 9, 9, 7, 7] HSC. Ch 1 and turn ( 67 [64, 65, 66, 66, 68, 68, 66, 66] sts).
Row 8 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $66[63,64,65,65,67,67,65,65]$ RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 9 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 66 [63, 64, 65, 65, 67, 67, 65, 65] HSC, 1 HSC 2TOG, 10 [8, 8, 9, 9, 9, 9, 7, 7] HSC. Ch 1 and turn ( $78[73,74,76,76,78,78,74,74]$ sts).
Row 10 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $77[72,73,75,75,77,77,73,73]$ RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 11 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 77 [72, 73, 75, 75, 77, 77, 73, 73] HSC, 1 HSC 2TOG, 11[ 8, 9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 7, 7] HSC. Ch 1 and turn ( $90[82,84,86,86,88,88,82,82]$ sts).
Row 12 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [ $81,83,85,85,87,87,81,81]$ RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

This is the last increase for size XS. Skip to "Shoulder - Left panel" section. All other sizes continue.

Row 13 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, X [81, 83, 85, 85, 87, 87, 81, 81] HSC, 1 HSC 2TOG, X [9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 8, 8] HSC. Ch 1 and turn (X [92, 94, 96, 96, 98, 98, 91, 91] sts).
Row 14 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, X [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 90, 90] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

This is the last increase for sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, and 3XL. Skip to "Shoulder - Left panel" section. Sizes $4 X L$ and 5XL continue.

Row 15 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 90,90]$ HSC, 1 HSC 2TOG, $X[X, X, X, X, X, X$, 8, 8] HSC. Ch 1 and turn ( $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 100,100]$ sts).
Row 16 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 99,99]$ RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

This is the last increase for sizes 4XL and 5XL. Continue in section "Shoulder - Left panel" below.

## Shoulder - Left panel

Row $13[15,15,15,15,15,15,17,17]$ (RS): 1 SC from front to back, $89[91,93,95,95,97,97,99$, 99] HSC. Ch 1 and turn.
Row $14[16,16,16,16,16,16,18,18]$ (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $89[91,93,95,95,97,97,99$, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Repeat rows $13[15,15,15,15,15,15,17,17]$ \& $14[16,16,16,16,16,16,18,18]$ until you finish row 24 [28, 30, 34, 36, 40, 42, 46, 48]. Ch 1 and turn.

You have finished your left panel. Mark the last row of this section with a stitch marker or piece of yarn, as the back panel will continue directly from here and the row numbers will start from row 1 again.

## BACK PANEL

Row 1 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 59 [59, 59, 59, 57, 57, 55, 53, 51] HSC. Ch 31 [33, 35, 37, 39, $41,43,47,49]$ Ch 1 and turn (this row creates your armhole).
Row 2 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 3 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] HSC. Ch 1 and turn.
Row 4 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Repeat rows 3 \& 4 until you finish rows 48 [54, 60, 66, 72, 78, 84, 90, 96]. Ch 1 and turn.

You have finished the back panel.

Mark the last row of this section with a stitch marker or piece of yarn, as the right front panel will continue directly from here and the row numbers will start from row 1 again.

## RIGHT FRONT PANEL

## Shoulder - Right panel

Row 1 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 59 [59, 59, 59, 57, 57, 55, 53, 51] HSC. Ch 31 [33, 35, 37, 39, $41,43,47,49]$ Ch 1 and turn (this row creates your armhole).
Row 2 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 3 (RS): 1 SC from front to back, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] HSC. Ch 1 and turn.
Row 4 (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Repeat rows 3 \& 4 until you finish rows 14 [16, 18, 22, 24, 28, 30, 32, 34]. Ch 1 and turn.

## Neck - Right panel

Row 15 [17, 19, 23, 25, 29, 31, 33, 35] (RS): 1 SC from front to back then HSC across, leaving the last $12[10,10,10,10,10,10,9,9]$ sts undone. Ch 1 and turn $(78[82,84,86,86,88,88,91,91]$ sts).
Row $16[18,20,24,26,30,32,34,36]$ (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 77 [81, 83, 85, 85, 87, 87, 90, 90] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 17 [19, 21, 25, 27, 31, 33, 35, 37] (RS): 1 SC from front to back then HSC across, leaving the last 11 [9, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 9, 9] sts undone. Ch 1 and turn ( 67 [73, 74, 76, 76, 78, 78, 82, 82] sts).
Row 18 [20, 22, 26, 28, 32, 34, 36, 38] (WS): 1 SC from back to front, $66[72,73,75,75,77,77,81$, 81] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 19 [21, 23, 27, 29, 33, 35, 37, 39] (RS): 1 SC from front to back then HSC across, leaving the last 11 [9, 9, 10, 10, 10, 10, 8, 8] sts undone. Ch 1 and turn ( $56,64,65,66,66,68,68,74,74]$ sts). Row 20 [22, 24, 28, 30, 34, 36, 38, 40] (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 55 [63, 64, 65, 65, 67, 67, 73, 73] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

Row 21 [23, 25, 29, 31, 35, 37, 39, 41] (RS): 1 SC from front to back then HSC across, leaving the last 11 [9, 9, 9, 9, 10, 10, 8, 8] sts undone. Ch 1 and turn ( 45 [55, 56, 57, 57, 58, 58, 66, 66] sts). Row 22 [24, 26, 30, 32, 36, 38, 40, 42] (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 44 [54, 55, 56, 56, 57, 57, 65, 65] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

This is the last decrease for size XS. Skip to "Neckline shaping row". All other sizes continue.

Row $X[25,27,31,33,37,39,41,43]: 1$ SC from front to back then HSC across, leaving the last $X$ [9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 8, 8] sts undone. Ch 1 and turn ( $X[46,47,48,48,49,49,58,58]$ sts).
Row $X[26,28,32,34,38,40,42,44]$ : 1 SC from back to front, $X[45,46,47,47,48,48,57,57]$
RSHC. Ch 1 and turn.

This is the last decrease for sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL and 3XL. Skip to "Neckline shaping row". Sizes 4XL and 5XL continue.

Row $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 43,45]$ : 1 SC from front to back then HSC across, leaving the last $X[X, X, X$, $X, X, X, 8,8]$ sts undone. Ch 1 and turn ( $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 50,50]$ sts).
Row $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 44,46]$ : 1 SC from back to front, $X[X, X, X, X, X, X, 49,49]$ RSHC. Ch 1 and turn.

This is the last decrease for sizes 4XL and 5XL. Continue in "Neckline shaping row" section below.

## Neckline shaping row

Row 23 [27, 29, 33, 35, 39, 41, 45, 47] (RS): 1 SC from front to back, $44[45,46,47,47,48,48,49$, 49] HSC,
1 HSC 2TOG, 10 [8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 7, 7] HSC,
1 HSC 2TOG, 10 [8, 8, 8, 8, 9, 9, 7, 7] HSC,
1 HSC 2TOG, 10 [8, 8, 9, 9, 9, 9, 7, 7] HSC,
1 HSC 2TOG, 11 [8, 9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 7, 7] HSC,

Size XS (90 sts) reaches the end of the row, ch 1 and turn.
All other sizes continue below.

1 HSC 2TOG, X [9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 9, 8, 8] HSC,

Sizes S (92 sts), M (94 sts), L (96 sts), XL (96 sts), 2XL (98 sts) and 3XL (98 sts) reach the end of the row, ch 1 and turn.

Sizes $4 X L$ and 5XL continue below.
1 HSC 2TOG, X [X, X, X, X, X, X, 8, 8] HSC.

Sizes 4XL (100 sts) and 5XL (100 sts) reach the end of the row, ch 1 and turn.

Row 24 [28, 30, 34, 36, 40, 42, 46, 48] (WS): 1 SC from back to front, 89 [91, 93, 95, 95, 97, 97, 99, 99] RHSC. Ch 1 and turn.

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## JOINING YOUR SHOULDERS

I recommend you sew your shoulders together using the mattress stitch seaming technique, as per shown in the images below.
"Fold" your body panel so each front panel area line up with their respective back panel section. Thread your yarn through a tapestry needle and make a secure join on a shoulder edge to start. Try to line up row ends together as much as possible, and sew from the bottom to the top, matching row end to row end.


## CROCHETING THE EDGES

Round 1: Pick a spot at the back of your body panel and SLST to join, then ch 1 (this counts as a st).
You can insert a stitch marker here if you prefer so you don't miss the starting point of the row.

SC across, inserting your hook on the last st/loop of each row, as shown on the image below.


When you reach the last st of the bottom corner of the right panel (when wearing the cardi), SC, ch 2 , then SC in the same st again.

Continue crocheting SC along the right-hand side edges until you reach the back of the neck.

Once on the back neck, insert your hook in the last st/loop of each row, just like you did before on the bottom edges of your cardi.

When you cross to the top of the left panel (when wearing the cardi), continue crocheting SC until you reach the bottom left corner of the cardi.

In the bottom left corner SC, ch 2 , then SC in the same st again.

Continue crocheting in the back panel until you reach the beginning of the round. SLST to ch-1.

Round 2: Ch 1. SLST until you reach the last st of the bottom right corner. You will now start working on the side ribbing.

Skip 2 sts of the bottom right edge of the side ribbing, and make the first SH st in the third available st.

Please note: Between the right-side ribbing, back neck and left-side ribbing, you should ideally have a number multiple of 6 to make the Shell Stitch work. If this is not the case, however, you can always skip a st less or a st more on the last few SH sts at the end of your round to make this work.

Continue making SH sts until you reach the bottom left corner.

SLST on the remaining of the back edge. SLST to ch-1.

## SLEEVES

Round 1 (RS): Insert your hook somewhere at the bottom of your armhole, as per the left image below. SLST to join and ch 1 (counts as a st).

You can mark this st with a stitch marker, so you know where the row begins.

SC in the next st, then HSC around your armhole. You should have around $60[64,68,72,76,80$, $84,92,96]$ sts. It is not a problem if you get a slightly different st count, as long as you get a number close to the indicated above for your size.

When you finish the round, SLST to ch-1. Turn.


Round 2 (WS): Ch 1. You can mark this st with a stitch marker, so you know where the row begins. SC from back to front in the next st, then RHSC around. SLST to ch-1. Turn (60 [64, 68, 72, 76, 80, 84, 92, 96] sts).

Round 3 (RS): Ch 1. SC from front to back in the next st, then HSC around. SLST to ch-1. Turn (60 [64, 68, 72, 76, 80, 84, 92, 96] sts).

Repeat rounds 2 and 3 until you finish round 12 [12, 12, 12, 12, 10, 10, 10, 10]. SLST to ch-1. Turn.


SLST to ch-1 on the WS

- Round 13 [13, 13, 13, 13, 11, 11, 11, 11] (RS): Ch 1. SC from front to back in the next st, HSC INC, HSC around. SLST to ch-1. I suggest placing a stitch marker on the HSC INC so you know where the increase was made. Turn ( 61 [65, 69, 73, 77, 81, 85, 93, 97] sts).
- Round $14[14,14,14,14,12,12,12,12]$ (WS): Ch 1 . SC from back to front in the next st, then RHSC around. SLST to ch-1. Turn (61 [65, 69, 73, 77, 81, 85, 93, 97] sts).


Sleeve with sts markers on every increase

Round $15[15,15,15,15,13,13,13,13](R S):$ Ch 1 . SC from front to back in the next st, HSC around until you have 1 st left in the round, then HSC INC. SLST to ch-1.
I suggest placing a stitch marker on the HSC INC so you know where the increase was made. Turn (62 [66, 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 94, 98] sts).

Round $16[16,16,16,16,14,14,14,14]$ (WS): Ch 1 . SC from back to front in the next st, then RHSC around. SLST from back to front to ch-1. Turn 62 [66, 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 94, 98] cts).

Repeat sequence from round $13[13,13,13,13,11,11,11,11]$ to round $16[16,16,16,16,14,14$, $14,14]$ until you finish row 56 [ $56,54,54,52,52,48,48,46]$. You should have around 82 [86, 89, 93, 96, 101, 103, 111, 114]. Turn.

Round 57 [ $57,55,55,53,53,49,4947]$ (RS): Ch 1 . SLST from front to back until you finish the round. SLST to ch -1, fasten off.

Enjoy!

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