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## Summer Top



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## Materials:

- Yarn: 3 balls Catona from scheepjes
- Crochet hooks: D (3 mm)
1.50 mm (for crochetting the rings)
- Needle
- Scissors
- Stitch markers
- 12 plastic rings with a diagram of 8 mm
- Ruler ribbon/ Measuring tape


## Abbreviations U.S. terms

| ch: | chain |
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| sc: | single crochet |
| hdc: | half double crochet |
| dc: | double crochet |
| sl st: | slip stitch |
| fo: | fasten off |
| ch-sp: | chain space |
| st: | stitch |
| tc: | turning chain |



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This pattern is the basic of how to crochet a top. You can adapt this pattern to the size you have.

This will be a top for cupsize 32D

Measure the center of your breast or a well-fitting bra if you are making the top for someone else. From the nipple to the bottom of your breast, (See picture 1).

(picture 1)
You crochet a chain with a length just measured, (See picture 2 this is row 1)
Row 1: ch 20, tc. (see picture 2)

(picture 2)
Row 2: 20 sc, tc.
Row 3: 20 sc , tc
Row 4: from now on we will continue crocheting (see picture 3) $20 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 20 sc , tc. (From now on we will keep crocheting the cup like this)

(picture 3)

Row 5: $21 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 21 sc , tc.
Row 6: 22 sc, 3 sc in 1 stitch, 22 sc, tc.
Row 7: $23 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 23 sc , tc.
Row 8: $24 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 24 sc , tc.
Row 9: $25 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 25 sc , tc.

Row 10: $26 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 26 sc , tc.
Row 11: $27 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 27 sc , tc.
Row 12: $28 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 28 sc , tc.
Row 13: $29 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 29 sc , tc.
Row 14: $30 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 30 sc , tc .
Row 15: $31 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 31 sc , tc.
Row 16: $32 \mathrm{sc}, 3 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 32 sc , tc.
Row 17: $32 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, $1 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 32 sc , tc.
Row 18: $33 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, $1 \mathrm{sc}, 2$ sc in 1 stitch, 33 sc , tc.
Row 19: $34 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, $1 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, 34 sc , tc.
Row 20: $35 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in 1 stitch, $1 \mathrm{sc}, 2$ sc in 1 stitch, 35 sc , tc.
Row 21: In this row we crochet a half row, 38 sc , sl st, tc (turn your work and then crochet the same way back is row 22)
Row 22: 38 sc , fo.

## for $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ cup repeat rows $\mathbf{1}$ to $\mathbf{2 2}$

To measure the length of the shoulder straps and the band size straps, you have to make sure that the person you are making the summer top for holds the cup securely in place.
For the shoulder straps, measure from the top of the cup to the shoulder blade (see picture 4). The size I need, it is 34 cm ( 13.39 inch ). and for the band size you measure the side of the cup to just beyond the armpit (see picture 5). The size I need, it is 11 a 12 cm ( 4.72 inch). this I deliberately do not measure to long because the work stretches, otherwise the straps will become too loose.

Advice!! Keep fitting in between as well, so if necessary take out your crochet work on time and make adjustments if necessary. Only work away threads at the end when the summer top is ready, if necessary, adjust and if you are satisfied work away the loose ends.

(picture 4, sholder straps)

(picture 5, band size)

## Use stitch markers so you know where your amount of stitches from each side of the top begins and ends.

Row 1: for the band size crochet a chain with the length you just measured, for 12 cm I need a chain of 30 stitches, then take the first cup and secure the chain to the bottom of the cup and continue crocheting along the bottom with single crochet in each stitch ( 39 sc for the size that I need) (see picture 6), ch 5 (between the two cups, put a stitch marker in the 3 st in the middle of the ch 5 ), then take the second cup and secure the chain to the bottom of the cup and continue crocheting along the bottom with single crochet in each stitch, and then again the band size the same length as you started (see picture 7).

(picture 6)

(picture 7)
attention!!! keep the extra border of both cups on the side of your décolleté/neckline (see picture 8), $\mathrm{tc}, 30 \mathrm{sc}$ back, now along the outsides of the cup up all sc, in each stitch a sc ( 40 sc for the size that I need) in the stitch of the stitch marker you also crochet a sc and put the stitch marker back (see picture 9). Now we are going to crochet the shoulder strap, crochet a chain with the length you measured for the shoulder strap, for 34 cm I need a chain of 85 stitches, $\mathrm{tc}, 85 \mathrm{sc}$ back to the top of the cup, now along the inside of the cup down into each stitch a sc (start in the stitch of the stitch marker, 38 sc for the size that I need), 5 sc in the chain between the cups (put the stitchmarker back in the middle again), now along the inside of the second cup into each stitch a sc up tot the top of the cup (last sc in the stitch of the stitch marker), ch 85 (for the second shoulder strap), tc, 85 sc back to the top of the cup, now along the outsides of the second cup up all sc, in each stitch a sc ( 40 sc for the size that I need, started in the stitch with the stitchmarker), 30 sc , ch 1 . (row 1 see picture 10 )


Row 2: ( 30 st for the size I need of the band size +39 st fort he size I need for the bottom of the cup+ 5 st everybody's size between the cups +39 st for the size I need for the bottom of the second cup +30 st for the size I need of the band size =143 stitches, see picture 11).
So we start this row with 143 sc , ch 1, now we crochet further at the top of the band strap 30 sc , decrease $1,38 \mathrm{sc}$ (outside of the cup), 85 sc (shoulder strap), ch $1,85 \mathrm{sc}$ (shoulderstrap), 38 sc (inside of the cup), decrease $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ (turn the stitchmarker back again), decrease 1, 38 sc (inside of the cup), 85 sc (shoulder
strap), ch $1,85 \mathrm{sc}$ (shoulderstrap), 38 sc , decrease $1,30 \mathrm{sc}, 1 \mathrm{sc}$ on the outside in the middle of the band strap (see picture 12).

(picture 11)
(picture 12)

## The bodice of the summer top

You can basically crochet the body in any stitch you like.
The stitch I use is divisible by six so keep in mind that you have the right number of stitches for this pattern.
Row 1: 1 sc-ch 2 (this continues for 1 dc ), 1 dc , ch 3, skip $3 \mathrm{st}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in 1 st , "ch 1, skip $2 \mathrm{st}, 1 \mathrm{sc}$, ch 1 , skip 2
st, 3 dc in 1 st" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch 1, skip 2 st, 1 sc, ch 1 , skip 2 st, 2 dc in 1 st, ch 3 , skip 3 st, 2 dc , tc.
Row 2: 2 hdc, ch 1, 1 hdc-ch 1-1 hdc in the middel of the ch-sp (see picture 13), ch 1,1 sc between the 2 dc of the previous round, "ch 1, 1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc on the middle double crochet of the previous round " repeat what's between """ 20 more times, ch 1,1 dcch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch 1 , in the middel of the ch-sp 1 hdc-ch $1-1$ hdc, ch $1,2 \mathrm{hdc}$, tc.

(picture 13)
Row 3: 2 hdc , ch 1 , 1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 hdc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, "ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1 , 1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 hdc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{tc}$.
Row 4: 2 dc , ch $3,1 \mathrm{dc}$ between the 2 dc of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}-\mathrm{ch} 1-1 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ on the middle double crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between """ 20 more times, ch 1,1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, 1 dc between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch 3 , skip $3 \mathrm{st}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$, tc.

Row 5: 2 hdc , ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the middle of the ch-sp, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the double crochet of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the double crochet of the previous round, 1 sc in the middle of the ch-sp, $2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{tc}$.
Row 6: 2 hdc , ch 1,1 hdc-ch $1-1$ hdc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, "ch 1, 1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc on the middle double crochet of the previous round " repeat what's between """ 20 more times, ch 1,1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 hdc-ch 1-1 hdc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1, 2 hdc, tc.
Row 7: $2 \mathrm{dc}, \mathrm{ch} 3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between ""I 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the to last stitches of this row, tc.
Row 8: 2 hdc , ch $1,1 \mathrm{hdc}-\mathrm{ch} 1-1 \mathrm{hdc}$ in the middel of the ch-sp, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ between the 2 dc of the previous round, "ch 1, 1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ on the middle double crochet of the previous round " repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}$-ch $1-1$ dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch 1 , 1 hdc-ch 1-1 hdc in the ch-sp, ch $1,2 \mathrm{hdc}$, tc.
Row 9: 2 hdc , ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 hdc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1 , 1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 hdc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{tc}$.
Row 10: 2 dc , ch 3, 1 dc between the 2 dc of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}-\mathrm{ch} 1-1 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc on the middle double crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between """ 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}-\mathrm{ch} 1-1 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, 1 dc between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ in the last two stitches, tc .
Row 11: $2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{ch} 1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the middle of the ch-sp, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the double crochet of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between """ 20 more times, ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch 1, 2 dc on the double crochet of the previous round, 1 sc in the middle of the $\mathrm{ch}-\mathrm{sp}, 2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{tc}$.
Row 12: 2 hdc , ch 1, 1 hdc-ch 1-1 hdc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, "ch 1, 1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc on the middle double crochet of the previous round " repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch 1,1 dc-ch $1-1$ dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 hdc-ch 1-1 hdc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1, 2 hdc, tc.
Row 13: 2 dc , ch 3, 2 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch 1,3 dc on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the two last stitches of this row, tc.

Row 14: 2 hdc , ch 1,1 hdc-ch $1-1$ hdc in the middel of the ch-sp, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 dc of the previous round, "ch 1,1 dc-ch 1-1 dc on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc on the middle double crochet of the previous round " repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}-\mathrm{ch} 1-1 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 hdc-ch $1-1$ hdc in the ch-sp, ch $1,2 \mathrm{hdc}$, tc.
Row 15: 2 hdc , ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 hdc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the ch-sp between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1 , 1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 hdc of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{hdc}, \mathrm{tc}$.
Row 16: 2 dc , ch 3, 1 dc between the 2 dc of the previous round, "ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}-\mathrm{ch} 1-1 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, ch 1,1 sc on the middle double crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between """ 20 more times, ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}$-ch $1-1 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round, 1 dc between the 2 dc of the previous round, ch 3, 2 dc on the two last stitches of this row, tc.
Row 17: 2 hdc , ch $1,1 \mathrm{sc}$ in the middle of the ch-sp, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the double crochet of the previous round, "ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ on the single crochet of the previous round" repeat what's between "" 20 more times, ch 1,1 sc in the ch-sp between the 2 double crochet of the previous round, ch $1,2 \mathrm{dc}$ on the double crochet of the previous round, 1 sc in the middle of the ch-sp, 2 hdc , tc .
Row 18: We are now going to crochet around the bodice, all sc. Turn your wire on the left side of the bodice (see picture 14)
(picture 15 sc around the bodice)

(picture 14)

(picture 15)

## Crochet border along décolletage/neckline

Row 1: Turn your wire on the inside of the right shoulder strap, crochet 1 sc in the first stitch and put the stitch marker back into that stitch(see picture 16), $84 \mathrm{sc}(=85 \mathrm{sc}$ for the size I need), decrease 1 (the stitch with the stitch marker (top of the right cup) and the stitch next to it together), 35 sc (for the size I need) than crochet the 2 stitches before the stitch marker together, 1 sc in the stitch of the stitch marker, than crochet the 2 stitches after the stitch marker together, 35 sc (for the size I need) up the inside of the left cup, crochet 2 stitches together and put the stitch marker back again, 85 sc (for the size I need), fo.
Row 2: Turn your wire on the inside of the right shoulder strap, crochet 1 sc in the first stitch and put the stitch marker back into that stitch, $84 \mathrm{sc}(=85 \mathrm{sc}$ for the size I need), decrease 1 (put the stitch marker back), 34 sc (for the size I need), crochet 3 stitches together and put the stitch marker back again (this is
between the 2 cups), 34 sc (for the size I need), decrease 1 (put the stitch marker back), 85 sc (for the size I need), fo.
Try on the summer top and measure how far you can fasten the shoulder straps.
Sometimes the shoulder straps are a bit too long and then you can let them fall a little further behind the bodice (see picture 17).
When trying on the summer top hold the cups in place with a couple of hands, so you could measure how long the shoulder straps are and where you can attach them to the bodice.
I place them 3.5 cm from the edge of the back of the bodice (see picture 18).


## Attach the shoulder straps

Place the summer top with the right side on the table and mark the place where you want to sew the shoulder straps. Take a thread and a needle and sew the shoulder straps in place.

Split a thread in two and crochet the 12 rings with that thread (see picture 19), Sew those rings into the spaces at the back of the bodice do this with a thinner wire as well (see picture 20).
If you sewed in rings, then the person has put on the top, so you can measure how long the ribbon should be. I measured it with a piece of wire. I passed the wire crosswise through the rings and closed it with a bow at the top. Now I crochet a chain with the length of this piece of wire. Then I let the person put the top back on, and I measure again with the chain if it has the right length. If it is too long, a few stitches can be slipped off. If it is too short, crochet a few more.
The length I need is a chain of 472 stitches ( $77,95 \mathrm{inch} / 198 \mathrm{~cm}$ )

(picture 19)

## The back of the top

You can also choose not to attach the shoulder straps to the bodice
but wear the straps as a bow behind your neck.
You can also choose to have the shoulder straps attached to the bodice, as we have done now.
And I'm going to sew the shoulder straps together again so that the straps seem to be crossed at the back (see picture 21)

(picture 21)

Weave the loose ends into your work, your summer top is ready to be worn.


## Enjoy your Summer Top

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