

Lacey Bolero

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SKILL LEVEL: Easy (great for beginners!)

SIZE: Ladies **Medium** (12-14)
About 40 x 26 in. before sewing
Ladies **Large** (16 - 24)
About 44 x 30 in. before sewing

MATERIALS

- 5 balls of Alpaca WL1 or 12 oz. (3, 4 oz. skeins) of Acrylic Yarn
- Crochet Hook - Size H
- Stitch Markers (safety pins work well)
- Tapestry Needle (for sewing seams)
 - Tape Measure or Ruler

GAUGE:

12 sc + 16 rows = 4 in. (10 cm). BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE as you crochet rows. Try using a different size hook to adjust your gauge.

NOTES:

This pattern will easily stretch to fit a range of sizes. Stitches should be neat and yarn pliable enough for ease of movement.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Sc - single crochet
Ch - chain
Sts - stitches
SST - slip stitch
Dc - double crochet
Hdc - half double crochet

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Ch 127 (Med) Ch 132 (Large)

Row 1: Sc in 2nd Ch from hook and in each stitch across to end. Ch 1, turn.

Row 2: * Dc in first Sc in row, Ch 1, Dc in next Sc.* Skip next Sc, and repeat from * across to end of row. Ch 3, turn.

Row 3: Work the following in the first and each Ch sp **between Dc of Row 2** (you are working in the top of the ch sp of row 2): * Hdc, 3 Dc, Hdc. * repeat with next Ch sp between Dc across to end of row. Ch 1, turn.

Row 4: Starting in 3rd ch sp of cluster of row 3 work * Dc, ch 1, Dc in same ch sp * repeat from * to end of row. Ch 2, turn and begin with Hdc in row 3.

Repeat alternately rows 3 & 4 until piece measures (28") for Medium and (32") for Large.

FINISHING

Beginning at corner where you ended last row, Sc all 4 edges of piece going around twice (2 rows of Sc) to finish the edge. *If you prefer a dressier finishing, try a creative scalloped edging. Crochet Pattern Central has wonderful free patterns to use.*

Fold piece in half. Mark with a pin (or marker) from the top of the fold 7" (for either medium or large). Using your tapestry needle and matching yarn, whip stitch the side seams closed from the marker to the edge of the piece (bottom).

Make sure you weave in any loose ends. When sewing piece together, try not to pull the yarn as the stretching of yarn while sewing will not allow for even seams.

To wear: Holding fold at the top, reach to the one bottom edge and pull up gently. You will see a "jacket" formation. Slide arms in and adjust to your comfort. Roll collar slightly down or for a chillier day/evening you can roll it up in the back.

All done! Wash according to yarn instructions and you have a fabulous accessory for any occasion!