



Drawstring dress



Size: UK 10 (14) - US 6 (10) - EU 36 (40)

Skill Level: intermediate

Note: figures in brackets () refer to larger size. Where only one figure is given this refers to both sizes.

How much yarn: 2 hanks (each hank 100g and 580m) of St. Moritz yarn (80% Alpaca, 17% Polyamide, 3% Wool) shade no. 30605

Needles: A pair of 5.50mm needles **Hook:** A 5.00mm (no. 6) crochet hook

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

STITCHES

Using needles: tubular stitch

Garter stitch (g st) - Stocking stitch (st st)

Using hook: chain (ch) - DOUBLE CHAIN: ch2 and insert hook in the leftmost loop of the 2nd ch from hook. Yarn over, pull a loop through that same leftmost loop: there are 2 loops on the hook. Yarn over once again. Pull through both loops on the hook, completing one double chain stitch. * Insert hook under the leftmost loop of previous stitch. Yarn over. Draw up a loop: there are 2 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through both loops on the hook, completing the double chain stitch. Rep from * to end.

TENSION

14 sts and 19 rows measure 10cm square over stocking st with 5.50mm knitting needles. Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tension to achieve success.

INSTRUCTIONS

Back: with 5.50mm needles cast on 64 (70) sts. Work 1 row K, then continue in stocking st. When Back measures 40 (42)cm from beg, create a casing, working 8 rows in tubular st, then cont to work in st st. When Back measures 59 (61)cm from beg, shape armholes: cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end on next and every following alternate row 4 times. When armhole measures 19 (21)cm, cast off rem 48 (54) sts.

Front: with 5.50mm needles cast on 70 (76) sts. Work 1 row K, then continue in stocking st. When Front measures 40 (42)cm from beg, work 8 rows in tubular st for casing, then cont to work in st st. Now work only First Side of Front. Shape slanting neck, casting off on inner side every alternate row: 9 (11) sts once, 4 sts twice, 3 sts once, then on same side dec 1 st, inside 2 sts, on next and every following alternate row 30 (32) times. At the same time, when Front measures 59 (61)cm from beg, on outer side shape armhole as Back. When armhole measures 19 (21)cm, cast off rem 12 (14) sts for shoulder. Now work Second Side of Front: starting from outer edge, on WS of work pick up 61 (65) sts across upper row of casing, omitting last 9 (11) sts. Work Send Side as First Side, reversing shapings.

Sleeves: with 5.50mm needles cast on 64 sts. Work 2 rows in garter st. Cont to work in stocking st, dec 1 st at each end, inside 2 sts, on next and every following 4th row 13 (11) times: 38 (42) sts remain. When work measures 31 (32)cm from beg, inc 1 st at each end, inside 2 sts, on next and every following 6th row 3 times, then every 4th row twice (3 times): there are 48 (54) sts. When Sleeve measures 45 (48)cm from beg, shape top. Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end on next and every following alternate row 15 (16) times. When sleeve top measures 17 (18)cm, cast off rem 10 (14) sts.

Drawstring: with crochet hook work a double chain approx 150 (160)cm long. Fasten off

FINISHING

Using yarn needle sew shoulder seams. Set in sleeves, then sew sleeve and side seams. Insert drawstring into Front and Back casing, starting and ending at Front centre, then knot ends.

Note: wash garment carefully at low temperatures, with a very little fabric softener. Lay the garment to dry on a flat surface, without ever hanging it.