



BVI SARONG

This Sarong (to match the BVI Bikini) is knitted and embellished with crochet. The motifs are fun to make, so don't shy away from learning crochet to add some *oomph!* to this little number.

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You need:

Butterfly Super 10 (125 g) pure cotton yarn as follows:

1 hank Main Colour (MC) No. 3401 Orange

Small amount, each, of Colour A (A) No. 3456 Hot Pink and Colour B (B) White

One 8 mm circular knitting needle, 90 cm long, OR whichever needle you require to produce the tension given below

One 4.25 mm crochet hook

Sewing needle and matching thread (optional)

Tension:

12 sts and 16 rows = 10 cm (4 ins) in stocking stitch. Work to exact tension with specified yarn to obtain satisfactory results.

TAKE TIME TO SAVE TIME, CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

Instructions

Sarong

With knitting needle and MC, loosely cast on 102(108,114) sts (bottom edge).

Row 1 (right side): Knit, turn.

Row 2: Purl, turn.

Working back and forth across needle, continue even in St st until work from beg measures 15.5 cm (6 ins), ending with *right side* facing for next row.

Next: Inc 1 st at each end of needle on next row, then on every foll alt row 4 times. 112(118,124) sts now on needle.

Next: Inc 1 st at each end of needle on every foll row 9 times. 130(136,142) sts now on needle.

Next: Before beg every foll 10 rows, cast on 2 sts. 150(156,162) sts now on needle.

Work 4 rows even in St st or until work from beg measures 33 cm (13 ins), ending with *right* side facing for next row. Cast off loosely.

Crocheted Motif I

With MC, ch 8, sl st to first ch (make ring).

Rnd 1: Ch1, [1sc into ring, ch3, 1 tr into ring, ch 3] 8 times, sl st to first sc.

Fasten off.

Rep to make one with A and one with B.

Crocheted Motif II

With MC, ch 4, sl st to first ch (make ring).

Rnd 1: Ch 4 (counts as 1 dc and ch 1), [1 dc into ring, ch 1] 11 times, sl st to 3rd ch of ch 4. Fasten off.

Rep to make one with A and one with B.

Crocheted Motif III

With MC, ch 9, sl st to first ch (make ring).

Rnd 1: Ch 5, [yo twice, insert hook into ring, yo and draw through ring, yo and draw through 2 loops, yo and draw through 2 loops again] 3 times, yo and draw through 4 loops (petal made), ch 5, *[yo twice, insert hook into ring, yo and draw through ring, yo and draw through 2 loops, yo and draw through 2 loops again] 4 times, yo and draw through 5 loops, ch 5, rep from * 3 more times (a total of 5 petals made), sl st to 4th ch of first ch 5. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join A with sl st in next ch 5 sp, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 4 dc in next ch 5 sp, ch 3, [5 dc in next ch 5 sp, ch 3] 4 times, sl st to 3rd ch of first ch 3. Fasten off.

Rep to make 2 more: one with A in Rnd 1 and B in Rnd 2, and one with B in Rnd 1 and MC in Rnd 2.

Motif IV

With MC, ch 5, sl st to first ch (make ring).

Rnd 1: Ch 7 (counts as 1 tr and ch 3), [1 tr into ring, ch 3] 7 times, sl st to 4th ch of ch 7.

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 3 dc into next ch 3 sp, [1 dc into next tr, 4 dc into next ch 3 sp] 7 times, 1 dc into next tr, sl st to 3rd ch of first ch 3.

Fasten off

Rep to make one with A and one with B.

To finish:

With crochet hook and beg at bottom *right*-hand corner of sarong with *right* side facing, join MC with sl st, then work hdc evenly around entire edge, working 3 ch at each corner and being careful not to tighten or loosen knitted edge.

Next: Ch 1, work 1 sc in each hdc across bottom edge, attaching motifs where desired by working 1 sc through st on motif and st on sarong at the same time.

With sewing needle and matching thread, hand-stitch one or more motif(s) on sarong front, if desired.

Weave in ends on back of work; block.

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