

## Leaf Me On Vest

No. 1006-192-7621

Size: XS, S, M
Skill level: Experienced
Crochet hook: $3,5 \mathrm{~mm}$ (US size E)
Materials: Sewing needle \& scissors
Yarn: Hobbii Twister Solid in color: Teal (107)
Buy the yarn here:
http://shop.hobbii.com/leaf-me-on-vest

How much yarn do I need?
XS $=250 \mathrm{~g} / 1000 \mathrm{~m}$ (3 cakes)
$\mathbf{S}=275 \mathrm{~g} / 1100 \mathrm{~m}$ (3 cakes)
M = $325 \mathrm{~g} / 1300 \mathrm{~m}$ (4 cakes)

## Abbreviations used in this pattern

- Ch - chain
- Dc - double crochet
- Sc - single crochet
- SI st - slip stitch
- St(s) - stitch (es)
- Ch-sp - Chain space
- Dc2tog-2 double crochet worked together as explained in the stitch pattern section
- Dc4tog - 4 double crochet together as explained in the stitch pattern section

You can find video tutorials of techniques used in this pattern below:
Dc2tog: https://youtu.be/p1MHHdZfSvY?t=36

## Gauge

- $21 \mathrm{dc}=10 \mathrm{~cm}$
- 10 rows $=10 \mathrm{~cm}$

This leaf stitch pattern requires a multiple of $16+5$ sts and has a 5 rows repeat.

## About the Design

The vest has a simple construction. We just sew together 3 panels and then we're done. We start with the back panel and simply follow the same pattern for the front, the only difference is that we will start with fewer stitches on the front panel. At the armpit, we will decrease a few stitches to shape the armholes. After finishing all 3 panels, we will sew them together at the shoulders and sides. You can finish with a single crochet border if you want.

The vest is oversized with a positive ease of 11 cm around the hips area and 3 cm around the bust area. But the stitch pattern makes it easy to size up or down just by adding or subtracting a group or more of 16 sts.

## About the stitch pattern

This Leaf Me on Vest is worked in a leaf motifs pattern. The pattern is constructed with double crochet, chains, double crochet decrease and double crochet increase.

## Double Crochet Decrease:

2 double crochet worked together
Yarn over, insert the hook, pull out a loop, yarn over and pull out the loop through the first 2 loops on the hook. This is a partial double crochet. Move to the next stitch and proceed the same. To finish the decrease, yarn over and pull the yarn through all the loops on your hook.

At some point in the pattern you will see that you will need to make 4 double crochet together. You will proceed the same only that you will repeat the steps 4 times.

Here's a video-guide for dc decreasing: https://youtu.be/p1MHHdZfSvY?t=36

## Double crochet Increase:

2 or 3 double crochet in the same stitch as the pattern requires.
Here's a video-guide for dc increasing: https://youtu.be/8qj7ovPSxdY?t=24
Below you can find the chart for the stitch pattern:


## Final Measurements

This pattern is available in 3 sizes: XS, S and M, but as I said before you can make it in larger sizes just by adjusting the number of stitches in your starting chain.

Below you will find a diagram with the final measurements:


## Pattern Notes

- Ch 3 at the beginning of the row counts as first double crochet
- The repeats in the pattern will not always be full repeats.
- The length of the vest to the armpit is the same for all sizes. If you want to make it shorter or longer, work less or more rows to the armpit.

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## Back Panel

First the foundation chain:

- $\mathbf{X S}=133$ sts
- $\mathbf{S}=149$ sts
- $\mathbf{M}=165$ sts


## Row 1

Ch $3,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in $5^{\text {th }}$ st, ch 2 , skip the next 3 sts, [ 2 dc in next, 3 dc , ch 3 , skip 3 sts, $3 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in next, ch 3, skip 5]. Repeat the section between [ ] until there's 5 sts left. Finish the row with ch 2, skip 3 sts, 2 dc, turn

## Row 2

Ch 3, 1 dc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ st, ch 1 , skip ch-sp, 3 dc, dc2tog, ch 5 , sk ch-sp, [dc2tog, 3 dc, ch 2, skip ch-sp, 3 dc , dc2tog, ch 5]. Repeat the section between [ ] until the last ch-sp. Finish the row with ch 1, skip ch-sp, 2 dc , turn.

## Row 3

Ch 3, 1 dc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ st, skip ch-sp, 2 dc, dc2tog, [ch 3,2 dc in $3^{\text {rd }}$ ch, ch 3 , dc2tog, 2 dc, ch 1, skip ch-sp, 2 dc, dc2tog]. Repeat the section between [] until the last ch-sp. Finish the row with skip ch-sp, 2 dc , turn.



## Row 4

Ch 3, 1 dc in 2 nd st, 1 dc, dc2tog, ch 3 , skip ch-sp, 3 dc in next st, ch 1,3 dc in next st, ch 3 , skip ch-sp, [dc2tog, 1 dc, skip ch-sp, 1 dc, dc2tog, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, 3 dc in next st, ch 3, skip ch-sp]. Repeat the section between [ ] until there is 5 sts left. Finish the row with dc2tog, 3 dc , turn.

## Row 5

Ch 3, 1 dc in 2 nd st, ch 2, skip ( 1 dc , dc2tog and ch 3 ), 2 dc in the next st, 2 dc , [ch 2, skip ch-sp, 2 dc, 2 dc in the next st, ch 3, skip ch-sp, dc4tog, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 2 dc in the next st, 2 dc]. Repeat the section between [ ] until there's 10 sts left including chain sts.
Finish the row with $2 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next st, ch 2, skip (ch 3, dc2tog, and 1 dc ) 2 dc , turn.

## Row 6

Ch 3, 1 dc in 2nd st, ch 2, skip ch-sp, 2 dc in next st, 3 dc, ch 3, skip ch-sp, [3 dc, 2 dc in next st, ch 3, skip (ch 3, dc4tog and ch 3), 2 dc in next st, 3 dc, ch 3, skip ch-sp]. Repeat the section between [ ] until there's 8 sts left.
Finish the row with $3 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in next st, ch 2, skip ch-sp, 2 dc .
Now, repeat rows 2-6 until you get to the armpit. I made 42 rows for all sizes, but make as many rows as you want to get the desired length.


Below you will find the stitch chart representing the edges after decreasing. Between the edges you will have more stitches and more leaf motifs than in the chart.


## Row 43

Start the row with 12 sl st, ch 5 , [dc2tog, 2 dc, ch 1 , skip ch-sp, 2 dc , dc2tog, ch $3,2 \mathrm{dc}$ in $3^{\text {rd }}$ ch, ch 3]. Repeat the section to the last ch 5 -sp. Finish the row with ch $2,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the first ch of 5 , turn

## Row 44

Ch 6, sk ch-sp, dc2tog, 1 dc, skip ch-sp, 1 dc, dc2tog, [ch 3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc in next, ch 1, 3 dc in next, ch 3 , skip ch-sp, dc2tog, 1 dc, sk ch-sp, 1 dc, dc2tog]. Repeat the section to the last ch-sp. Finish the row with ch $3,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the last ch, turn

## Row 45

Ch 3,1 dc in the $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{ch}$, ch 3 , skip 2 ch, [dc4tog, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 2 dc in the next, 2 dc, ch 2, skip ch-sp, $2 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in next, ch 3 , skip ch-sp]. Repeat the section to the end of the row. Finish the row with 1 dc in the last 2 sts (the $4^{\text {th }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }} \mathrm{ch}$ st of the turning chain), turn

## Row 46

Ch 4, 2 dc in first st, 2 dc in the next st, ch 3, skip (ch-sp, dc4tog, ch-sp), [2 dc in the next, 3 dc ,

ch 3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc, 2 dc in next, ch 3, skip (ch-sp, dc4tog, ch-sp)]. Repeat the section until there's 2 sts left. Finish the row with 2 dc in next st, and ( $2 \mathrm{dc}, \mathrm{ch} 1,1 \mathrm{dc}$ ) in the last st, turn.

## Row 47

Ch 4, [dc2tog, 3 dc, ch 2, skip ch-sp, 3 dc, dc2tog, ch 5, skip ch-sp]. Repeat the section to the end of the row. Finish the row with ch $1,1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the last ch.

Repeat rows 43-47 until you have in total:

- XS = 61 rows
- $\mathbf{S}=62$ rows
- $\mathbf{M}=64$ rows


## Fasten off.

Now the back panel is done.


## Front Panels

You can make the front panels in 2 different ways:

1. With a $V$ neck
2. With straight front panels (the easiest way)

## Front Panels with V neck (make 2)

If you want to make the vest with a V neck you have to start with:

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { XS }=69 \text { sts } \\
& \mathbf{S}=69 \text { sts } \\
& \mathbf{M}=85 \text { sts }
\end{aligned}
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Follow the same pattern as for the back for the first 42 rows, until you get to the armpit.

## Row 43

Start the row with 12 sl st, ch 5 , [dc2tog, 2 dc, ch 1 , skip ch-sp, 2 dc, dc2tog, ch 3,2 dc in $3^{\text {rd }}$ ch, ch 3]. Repeat the section until there's 7 sts left. Finish the row with dc2tog, 2 dc, skip ch-sp, 2 dc, turn.

*the chart is representing only a section. The chart is made to guide you with the edges.
Between them you will have more motifs as pattern requires.

## Row 44

Ch 3, skip 1 dc, 1 dc, dc2tog, [ch3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 3, skip ch-sp, dc2tog, 1 dc, skip ch-sp, 1 dc, dc2tog]. Repeat the section to the end of the row. Finish the row with ch 3 and 1 dc in the 3 rd st of the turning chain, turn.

## Row 45

Ch 3, 1 dc in first ch, [ch 3, skip ch-sp, dc4tog, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 2 dc in next dc, 2 dc, ch 2, skip ch-sp, $2 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in next dc]. Repeat the section to the last ch-sp. Finish the row with ch 3, skip (ch-sp and 2 dc ), 1 dc in the last st, turn.

## Row 46

Ch 3, skip (ch-sp and 1 dc), 3 dc, [ch 3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc, 2 dc in next, ch 3, skip (ch 3, dc4tog, ch 3 ), 2 dc in next, 3 dc]. Repeat the section until there's 2 sts left. Finish the row with 2 dc in next st, and (2 dc, ch 1, 1 dc ) in the last st, turn.

## Row 47

Ch 4, dc2tog, 3 dc, [ch 2, skip ch-sp, 3 dc, dc2tog, ch 5, skip ch-sp, dc2tog, 3 dc]. Repeat the section until there's 4 sts left. Finish the row with dc2tog, sk $1 \mathrm{dc}, 1 \mathrm{dc}$ in the last st, turn.

## Row 48

Ch 3, 2 dc in the ch-sp, [ch 3, dc2tog, 2 dc, ch 1, skip ch-sp, 2 dc, dc2tog, ch 3, 2 dc in the ch-sp]. Repeat the section to the end of the row. Finish the row with ch 2 , sk 1 ch, and 1 dc in the last st, turn.

## Row 49

Ch 3, [ch 3, skip ch-sp, dc2tog, 1 dc, skip ch-sp, 1 dc, dc2tog, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc in the next dc , ch $1,3 \mathrm{dc}$ in the next dc]. Repeat the section to the end of the row. Finish the row with 2 dc in the last st, turn.

## Row 50

Ch 3, sk 1 dc, 1 dc in the ch-sp, [ch 3, dc4 tog, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 2 dc in next, 2 dc, ch 2, skip ch-sp, $2 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ in next]. Repeat the section to the end of the row. Finish the row with 1 dc in the $4^{\text {th }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ st of the turning ch, turn.

Row 51
Ch 3, 1 dc in the first st, 1 dc in next, 2 dc in the ch-sp, [ch 3, skip (ch-sp, dc4tog, ch-sp), 2 dc in
next, 3 dc, ch 3, skip ch-sp, 3 dc, 2 dc in next]. Repeat the section until there's 2 ch-sps left. Finish the row with ch 2, skip (ch-sp, dc4tog, ch-sp), 2 dc, turn.

From now on you will have to keep it straight without decreasing until you have the same number of rows for the arm hole as you have for the back.

Repeat the pattern for the front left panel.

## Straight Front Panels (make 2)

For the front panels you will have to follow the same pattern as for the back.
Start with a foundation chain:

- XS = 53 sts
- $\mathbf{S}=53$ sts
- $\mathbf{M}=69$ sts

After making the foundation chain, you will follow the same pattern as for the back.
For the right panel you follow the same pattern as for the left panel, as the stitch pattern is looking the same on the wrong and right side.

## Assembling

Lay the front panels over the back panels and sew the shoulders first. Then sew the sides and you're done.

At the end you can complete your project with a border. I made one in single crochet, but you can use any stitch pattern you like.

