

Caroline Pinafore in Broomstick Crochet

Materials

1 (2) Stylecraft Cotton Look a-like DK 100g
(approx. 210m/230yds)

Notions

4mm Hook, 2 x 12mm broomstick/knitting
needles

Tension

20 sts and 12 rows are 10cm square in
pattern

Notes

Use a smaller hook for the foundation dc row.
Worked top down, in the round, turn at the
end of each round, turning chain is not
counted as a stitch.

Finished size

New-born (0-3, 3-6, 6-9/9-12)

Age Months	NB	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12
Height	51 cm	58.5 cm	66 cm	71 cm	74 cm
Chest	38 cm	42 cm	44.5 cm	46 cm	47 cm



Instructions

Shoulder straps (Make 2 working in rows)

Row 1: 21fsc (24fsc, 27fsc, 30fsc), turn.

Row 2: 1ch, sc in next 21sc (24sc, 27sc, 30sc), turn.

Row 3: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 21, (24, 27, 30) times, turn. (21, 24, 27, 30 loops)

Row 4: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, miss 2sc on back from marked st and ss into next next st, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 6, 7, 8, 9 times, turn. (7, 8, 9, 10 3-lps group, 21sc, 24sc, 27sc, 30sc)

Row 5: 1ch, sc in next 21sc (24sc, 27sc, 30sc), turn.

Row 6 - For first 3 sizes only: 1ch, reverse sc (crab stitch) in next 21, 24, 27, 30 sts. Fasten off. This is the outside edge of the shoulder straps.

For sizes 6-9 & 9-12 months:

Row 6: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 21, (24, 27, 30) times, turn. (21, 24, 27, 30 loops)

Row 7: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, miss 2sc on back from marked st and ss into next next st, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 6, 7, 8, 9 times, Do not turn. (7, 8, 9, 10 3-lps group, 21sc, 24sc, 27sc, 30sc)

Row 8: 1ch, reverse sc (crab stitch) in next 21, 24, 27, 30 sts. Fasten off. This is the outside edge of the shoulder straps.

Bodice

Rnd 1: 78fsc (84, 87, 90fsc), ss to first sc being careful not to twist the foundation row, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90sc)

Rnd 1 alternative: 79ch (85, 88, 91ch), ss to first ch being careful not to twist the chain, 1 sc in each st to end, ss to first sc, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90sc)

Rnd 2: 1ch, 1 sc in each sc to end, ss to 1st sc, turn.

Place a marker on the 4th stitch in from the side seams on both front and back, this is where you will sew the shoulder straps in place.

Rnd 3: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 42, 45) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 43, 45) times, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90 loops)

Rnd 4: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 25, (27, 28, 29) times, ss to 1st sc, turn. (26, 28, 29, 30 3-lps group, 78sc, 84sc, 87sc, 90sc)

Rnd 5: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, do not turn.

The aim here is to create a row of chain stitches at the head of the loops.



Rnd 6: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 42, 45) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 43, 45) times, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90 loops)

Rnd 7: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 25, (27, 28, 29) times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (26, 28, 29, 30 3-lps group, 78, 84, 87, 90sc)

Rnd 8: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 9: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 10: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 11: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 12: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 42, 45) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 43, 45) times, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90 loops)

Rnd 13: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 25, (27, 28, 29) times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (26, 28, 29, 30 3-lps group, 78, 84, 87, 90sc)

Rnd 14: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 15: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 16: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 42, 45) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st,

yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 43, 45) times, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90 loops)

Rnd 17: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 25, (27, 28, 29) times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (26, 28, 29, 30 3-lps group, 78, 84, 87, 90sc)

For New born & 0-3 months begin skirt

For sizes 3-6, 6-9 & 9-12 months:

Rnd 18: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 19: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

For sizes 6-9 & 9-12 months:

Rnd 20: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 42, 45) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 39 (42, 43, 45) times, turn. (78, 84, 87, 90 loops)

Rnd 21: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 25, (27, 28, 29) times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (26, 28, 29, 30 3-lps group, 78, 84, 87, 90sc)

Skirt

Rnd 22: 2ch, *2dc in next st, 1dc in next 12sc,* (for all other sizes, 2dc in next st, 1 dc in next 14 sc), repeat from * 6 times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (84, 90, 93, 96dc)

Rnd 23: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 24: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 42, (45, 45, 48) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 42, (45, 46, 48) times, turn. (84, 90, 93, 96 loops)

Rnd 25: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 27

(29, 30, 31,) times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (28, 30, 31, 32 3-lps group, 84, 90, 93, 96sc)

Rnd 26: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 27: 2ch, *2dc in next st, 1dc in next 13 sc* (for all other sizes, 2dc in next st, 1 dc in next 15 sc, [for size 3-6 mths 2dc in last st]), repeat from * 6 times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (90, 96, 99, 102dc)

Rnd 28: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 29: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

For New-born: 1ch, reverse sc to end, fasten off and weave in ends

Rnd 30: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 48, (49, 51) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 48, (49, 50, 51) times, turn. (96, 99, 102 loops)

Rnd 31: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 31 (32, 33) times, ss to 1st sc, turn. (32, 33, 34 3-lps group, 96, 99, 102sc)

Rnd 32: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

For 0-3 months: 1ch, reverse sc to end, fasten off and weave in ends

Rnd 33: 2ch, *2dc in next st, 1dc in next 14sc* (2dc in next st, 1dc in next 15 sc,



[2dc in next st, 1dc in next 16sc, 2dc in last st], [2dc in next st, 1dc in next 18 sc]), repeat from * 6 times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (96, 102, 105, 108dc)

Rnd 34: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 48, (51, 52, 54) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 48, (51, 53, 54) times, turn. (96, 102, 105, 108 loops)

Rnd 35: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 31 (33, 34, 35) times, ss to 1st sc, turn. (32, 34, 35, 36 3-lps group, 96, 102, 105, 108sc)

Rnd 36: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

For 3-6 months:

Rnd 37: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 38: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 48, (51, 52) times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 48, (51, 52) times, turn. (96, 102, 105 loops)

Rnd 40: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 31 (33, 34) times, ss to 1st dc, do not turn. (32, 34, 35 3-lps group, 96, 102, 105sc)

Rnd 41: 1ch, reverse sc in each st to end, fasten off, weave in ends.

For sizes 6-9 & 9-12 months continue:

Rnd 37: 2ch, (2dc in next st, 1dc in next

17 sc), 6 times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (114dc)

Rnd 38: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 57 times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 57 times, turn. (114 loops)

Rnd 39: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 37 times, ss to 1st sc, turn. (38 3-lps group, 114sc)

Rnd 40: 2ch, 1 dc in each sc to end, ss to 1st dc, turn.

Rnd 41: 2ch, (2dc in next st, 1dc in next 18 sc), 6 times, ss to 1st dc, turn. (120dc)

Rnd 42: Stretch lp on hk & place on first broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 60 times, Stretch lp on hk & place on second broomstick, (insert hk in next st, yoh, draw up lp & place on broomstick) 60 times, turn. (120 loops)

Rnd 43: Insert hk in first 3 lps on broomstick, yoh, pull up loop, 1ch, 3sc into 3-lps group, (insert hk into next 3 lps and place on hk, 3sc into same 3-lps group) 39 times, ss to 1st sc, do not turn. (40 3-lps group, 120sc)

Rnd 44: 1ch, reverse sc in each st to end, fasten off, weave in ends.

Attach straps: Align the shoulder straps with the markers you placed at the end of round 2, ensuring that the reverse sc is toward the outside edges. For the smallest 3 sizes, stitch evenly across 8 sc stitches, for the larger 2 sizes stitch evenly across 10 sc stitches. Turn the dress inside out and use mattress stitch (ladder stitch) or whip stitch to secure the straps in place.

Neckline for all sizes

Rnd 1: with back facing, join yarn at base of sleeve in sc with ss, 1ch, reverse sc in each sc around the neckline, fasten off & weave in ends.

