Crochet Tank Top Pattern: Free Hdc Tank in Sizes S to 2X

Two rectangles, two straps, one stitch · US terms



The tank laid flat: one sage green rectangle with a straight top edge and two straps sewn on the inside. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Finished size: Finished bust 36 in (S) to 52 in (2X), with 2 in of ease. About 25 1/2 to 26 1/2 in from the shoulder to the hem (approximate).
Time: About 15 to 18 hours (S) to 19 to 22 hours (2X), estimated, not timed
Yarn: Bulky (#5) cotton in one color: about 650 yd (S) to 870 yd (2X).

Counts were checked by software. This pattern has not been crocheted and swatched by a person before publication.

Free pattern online:
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Materials, sizes and terms

Materials

Sage (soft sage green): 650 yd (S) / 700 yd (M) / 770 yd (L) / 810 yd (XL) / 870 yd (2X)
Bulky (#5) cotton yarn in one color and a US K-10.5 (6.5 mm) hook: how to choose the cotton is under the yarn and swatch section below.
Add 15 % to the yards you work out from your swatch.
Yarn needle (large eye), scissors, 4 locking stitch markers, safety pins, measuring tape.
Hook: US K-10.5 (6.5 mm)
Time: About 15 to 18 hours (S) to 19 to 22 hours (2X), estimated, not timed

Sizes

S: to fit bust 32-34 in, finished bust about 36 in

Yarn needed: About 650 yd with a 15 % margin. Weight about 550 to 700 g, estimate. Balls of 100 yd: 7. Balls of 150 yd: 5.
Finished size: Front and back each about 18 x 18 1/2 in (46 x 47 cm). Finished bust about 36 in, 2 in of ease. About 25 1/2 in from the shoulder to the hem. Approximate.
Counts: Front and back: ch 56, 54 sts, 37 rows. Straps (make 2): ch 50, 48 sts, 3 rows. Side seams: 37 row ends, twice. Markers: 10 sts in from each side seam. About 15 to 18 hours in all, estimated, not timed.

M: to fit bust 36-38 in, finished bust about 40 in

Yarn needed: About 700 yd with a 15 % margin. Weight about 600 to 800 g, estimate. Balls of 100 yd: 7. Balls of 150 yd: 5.
Finished size: Front and back each about 20 x 18 in (51 x 46 cm). Finished bust about 40 in, 2 in of ease. About 25 1/2 in from the shoulder to the hem. Approximate.
Counts: Front and back: ch 62, 60 sts, 36 rows. Straps (make 2): ch 53, 51 sts, 3 rows. Side seams: 36 row ends, twice. Markers: 11 sts in from each side seam. About 16 to 19 hours in all, estimated, not timed.

L: to fit bust 40-42 in, finished bust about 44 in

Yarn needed: About 770 yd with a 15 % margin. Weight about 650 to 850 g, estimate. Balls of 100 yd: 8. Balls of 150 yd: 6.
Finished size: Front and back each about 22 x 18 in (56 x 46 cm). Finished bust about 44 in, 2 in of ease. About 26 in from the shoulder to the hem. Approximate.
Counts: Front and back: ch 68, 66 sts, 36 rows. Straps (make 2): ch 56, 54 sts, 3 rows. Side seams: 36 row ends, twice. Markers: 13 sts in from each side seam. About 17 to 20 hours in all, estimated, not timed.

XL: to fit bust 44-46 in, finished bust about 48 in

Yarn needed: About 810 yd with a 15 % margin. Weight about 700 to 900 g, estimate. Balls of 100 yd: 9. Balls of 150 yd: 6.
Finished size: Front and back each about 24 x 17 1/2 in (61 x 44 cm). Finished bust about 48 in, 2 in of ease. About 26 in from the shoulder to the hem. Approximate.
Counts: Front and back: ch 74, 72 sts, 35 rows. Straps (make 2): ch 59, 57 sts, 3 rows. Side seams: 35 row ends, twice. Markers: 15 sts in from each side seam. About 18 to 21 hours in all, estimated, not timed.

2X: to fit bust 48-50 in, finished bust about 52 in

Yarn needed: About 870 yd with a 15 % margin. Weight about 700 to 950 g, estimate. Balls of 100 yd: 9. Balls of 150 yd: 6.

Finished size: Front and back each about 26 x 17 1/2 in (66 x 44 cm). Finished bust about 52 in, 2 in of ease. About 26 1/2 in from the shoulder to the hem. Approximate.

Counts: Front and back: ch 80, 78 sts, 35 rows. Straps (make 2): ch 62, 60 sts, 3 rows. Side seams: 35 row ends, twice. Markers: 18 sts in from each side seam. About 19 to 22 hours in all, estimated, not timed.

Size table

Measure	S	M	L	XL	2X
To fit bust	32-34	36-38	40-42	44-46	48-50
Finished bust	36	40	44	48	52
Ease	2	2	2	2	2
Body width	18	20	22	24	26
Top edge to hem	18 1/2	18	18	17 1/2	17 1/2
Shoulder to hem	25 1/2	25 1/2	26	26	26 1/2
Shoulder to top edge	7	7 1/2	8	8 1/2	9
Markers in (sts)	10	11	13	15	18
Balls of 150 yd	5	5	6	6	6
Body sts x rows	54x37	60x36	66x36	72x35	78x35
Strap sts x rows	48x3	51x3	54x3	57x3	60x3
Yarn, about (yd)	650	700	770	810	870
Time, est. (h)	15-18	16-19	17-20	18-21	19-22

Inches. Approximate, from our suggested gauge: check them against your swatch.

Abbreviations (US)

ch = chain
hdc = half double crochet
st, sts = stitch, stitches
RS = right side (the outside of the tank)
WS = wrong side (the inside)
yo = yarn over
S (M, L, XL, 2X) = numbers for each size: the first is S, the others follow in order

Gauge

Suggested only, not swatched: 12 hdc and 8 rows = 4 in (10 cm) in hdc with a US K-10.5 (6.5 mm) hook and bulky (#5) cotton yarn. Your rows and stitches may be fewer or more than we show: measure your swatch and adjust.

Notes

- US crochet terms: see the abbreviations above. Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X. Numbers are written S (M, L, XL, 2X).
- Row 1 of every piece is a right-side (RS) row, so odd rows are RS and even rows are WS. RS = the outside of the tank, WS = the inside. The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. Leave an 8 in tail when you start each foundation chain.

- These times are calculated, not timed by a person: the crochet and the swatch at 6 hdc a minute, plus 2 to 4 hours for blocking, seaming and fitting the straps and 2 minutes for each end to weave in.



On a light oak floor: the front is one straight rectangle, with no armhole shaping and square corners at the top. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Swatch

Make this first. 20 sts and 12 rows, the same for every size.

Foundation

Ch 22.

Stitch count: 22 ch

Row 1 (RS)

Skip the first 2 ch from the hook (they are the turning ch and do not count as a st). Work a hdc in the back bump of the next ch and of each ch across.

Stitch count: 20 hdc

Rows 2 to 12

Ch 2 (does not count as a st), turn. Hdc in each st across. The last hdc of every row goes in the first hdc of the row before, next to the turning ch, never in it.

Stitch count: 20 hdc

Front and Back: Two Half Double Crochet Rectangles

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2X. Numbers are written S (M, L, XL, 2X). Make 2 identical pieces.

Foundation

Ch 56 (62, 68, 74, 80).

Stitch count: 56 (62, 68, 74, 80) ch

Row 1 (RS)

Skip the first 2 ch from the hook (they are the turning ch and do not count as a st). Work a hdc in the back bump of the next ch and of each ch across.

Stitch count: 54 (60, 66, 72, 78) hdc

Rows 2 to 37 (36, 36, 35, 35)

Ch 2 (does not count as a st), turn. Hdc in each st across. The last hdc of every row goes in the first hdc of the row before, next to the turning ch, never in it.

Stitch count: 54 (60, 66, 72, 78) hdc

Last row (Row 37 (36, 36, 35, 35))

Fasten off, leave an 8 in tail to weave in.



One sage green color from the hem to the straps, all in half double crochet. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Make the Two Straps

Make 2 identical straps, worked along their length. Make the chain loosely: if your chains are tight, make the foundation chain only with a hook one size larger, then go back to your hook for Row 1.

Foundation

Ch 50 (53, 56, 59, 62).

Stitch count: 50 (53, 56, 59, 62) ch

Row 1 (RS)

Skip the first 2 ch from the hook (they are the turning ch and do not count as a st). Work a hdc in the back bump of the next ch and of each ch across.

Stitch count: 48 (51, 54, 57, 60) hdc

Rows 2 to 3

Ch 2 (does not count as a st), turn. Hdc in each st across. The last hdc of every row goes in the first hdc of the row before, next to the turning ch, never in it.

Stitch count: 48 (51, 54, 57, 60) hdc

Last row (Row 3)

Fasten off, leave an 8 in tail to weave in.

Crochet Tank Top Straps: Try It On Before You Sew

Sew the sides first, then pin the straps and try the tank on before you sew them.

Weave in ends

Weave in the ends of the four pieces on the wrong side, along a row: 3 in one way, then back on yourself.

Block

Block the front, the back and the two straps flat before you sew. Follow the yarn label.

Sew the side seams

Cut a length of yarn of about 95 (90, 90, 90, 90) in for each side seam (if a long length tangles, cut it in two and start the second half at the middle of the seam). Lay the front on the back, right sides together, Row 1 level with Row 1. Start at the hem. Sew the 37 (36, 36, 35, 35) row ends of one side of the front to the 37 (36, 36, 35, 35) row ends of the same side of the back, one row end to one row end, with a whipstitch, up to the top edge. Do the same on the other side (37 (36, 36, 35, 35) row ends, twice in all). There is no armhole to leave open: the top edge sits under the arms. Turn right side out.

Mark the straps

On the top edge of the front, count 10 (11, 13, 15, 18) sts in from one side seam and put a marker in the next st. Do the same from the other side seam. Mark the back the same way: 4 markers in all. From one marker to the other marker of the same piece, the 2 marked sts included, you count 34 (38, 40, 42, 42) sts.

Pin the straps

1) Lay one strap end on the wrong side of the front, the right side of the strap against the wrong side of the body, the strap running up past the top edge. 2) Its long edge nearer the side seam sits on the marked st: the strap covers the marked st and the next 4 sts toward the middle (about 5 sts: the strap is about 1 1/2 in wide). 3) Its end lies along Row 36 (35, 35, 34, 34), so it covers the top 2 rows (Rows 36 (35, 35, 34, 34) to 37 (36, 36, 35, 35)). 4) Pin with safety pins or locking stitch markers. 5) Take the strap over the same shoulder, check that it is not twisted, and pin its other end on the wrong side of the back the same way. Pin the second strap on the other side.

Try it on

Try the tank on before you sew the straps. If a strap is too long, let its back end cover more rows; if it is too short, let it cover fewer rows (at least 1). Do the same on both straps. Each row the strap end covers moves the strap by about 0.5 in. If you need to change it by more than about 1 in, make the strap again: every 5 ch you add or leave out of the foundation chain changes it by about 1 3/4 in.

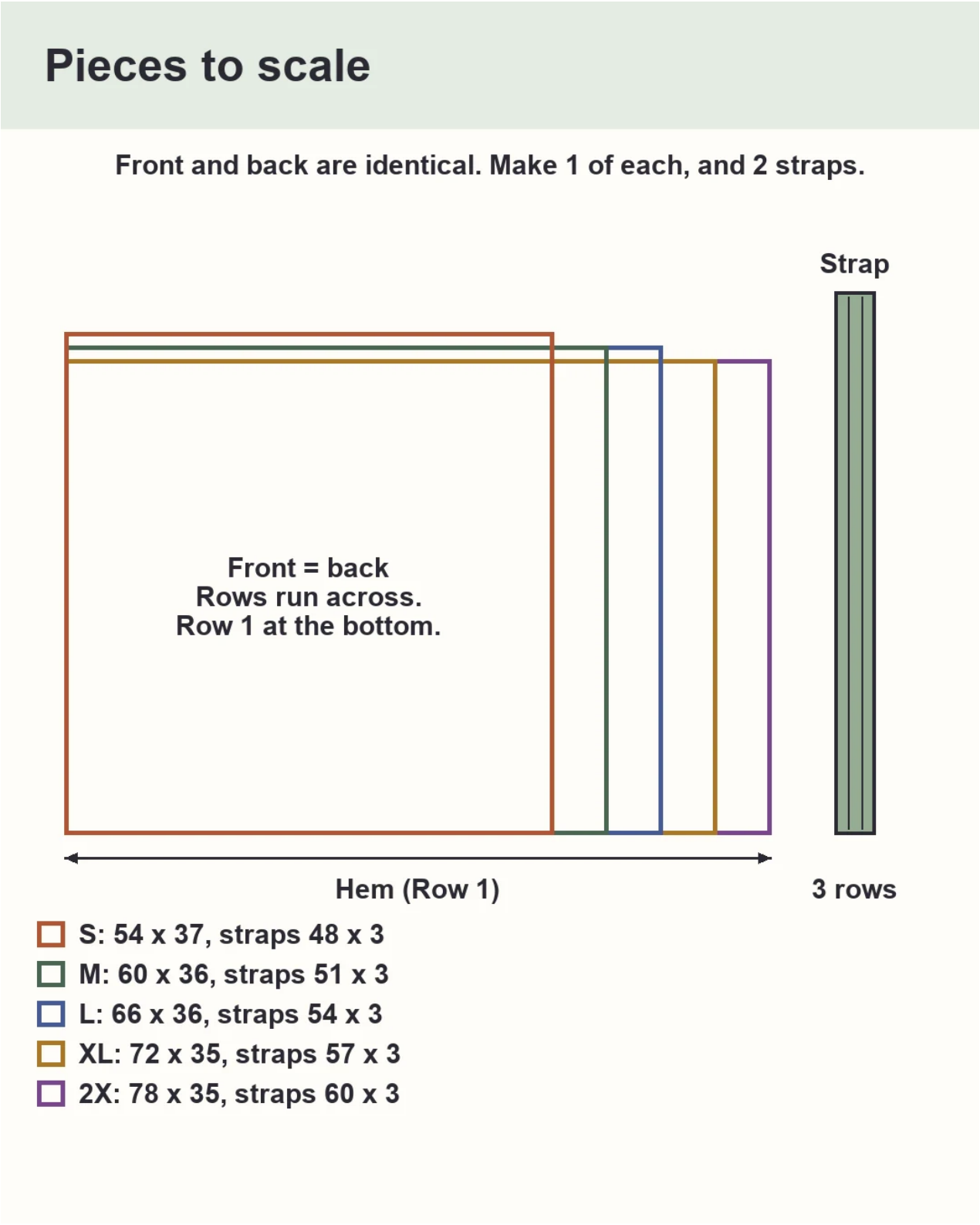
Sew the straps

Cut a length of yarn of about 45 in for each strap end. Sew each strap end with a whipstitch: across the end of the strap and along both long edges where it covers the body. On the body, catch only a strand on the wrong side (a strand of the post or a back bar, whatever you can pick up there); do not push the needle through to the right side, and check the right side every few stitches. Then whipstitch the strap to the top loops of the top edge where it crosses it: the top edge, not the side strands, carries the weight. Four strap ends in all.

Finish

Weave in the seaming ends. The top edge, the hem and the strap edges are left as they are (the edge of the rows): no border.

Plan of the pieces



The front, the back and the straps of every size, drawn to scale with their stitch and row counts. A computer drawing.

Chart

Size chart

Inches unless noted. All numbers are computed.

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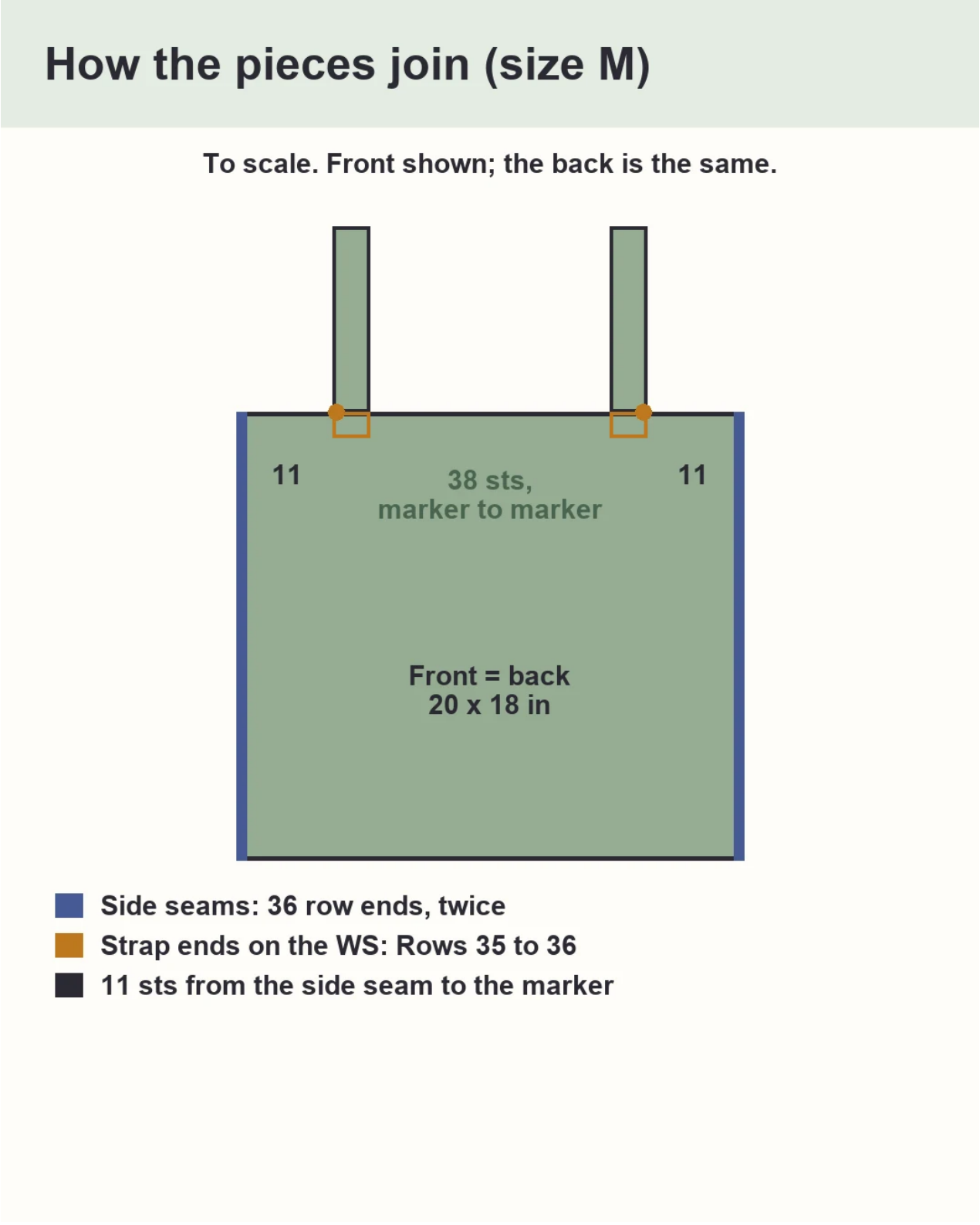
Measurements, counts, yarn and time for every size, computed from the gauge in the pattern. A computer drawing.

Assembly plan



Where the side seams and the four strap ends go, drawn for size M. A computer drawing.



The two straps are worked along their length, so their rows run from end to end, and the top edge stays straight with no border. Preview picture, not a photo of crochet.

Finishing

Weave in the seaming ends and check that the seams lie flat. The top edge, the hem and the strap edges stay as they are: no border.

Step by step

1. Choose the cotton, then make a swatch

Use a bulky (#5) cotton yarn and a US K-10.5 (6.5 mm) hook. Hdc in bulky cotton makes a thick, heavy, structured fabric with small gaps between the stitches: warmer than a fine-cotton tank, best for mild days or layered. 100 % cotton can stretch (the swatch below shows you how much). A cotton/acrylic or cotton/bamboo blend in the same weight is lighter. These are our design choices, not test results. A gauge swatch is required, not optional. Our gauge is an estimate, not a measurement. With the yarn and the US K-10.5 (6.5 mm) hook you will use, make the swatch below: ch 22, 20 sts, 12 rows of hdc. It is wider than 4 in on purpose, so you can measure the middle and leave the edges out. Wash the swatch as you will wash the tank, let it hang to dry, then measure 12 sts in the middle and 8 rows: the 12 sts and the 8 rows should each measure 4 in. If they measure more than 4 in, your stitches are bigger than ours: change to a hook one size smaller. If they measure less, change to a hook one size larger. Then make and measure the swatch again. Your swatch, not the size label, decides the fit: your stitches set the width, your rows set the length. (S has 37 rows.) Add 15 % to any yardage you work out from your swatch.

Care: Wash as the label says.
Care: Lay flat to dry; do not hang a wet cotton tank.
Care: Store folded.

Thank you!

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