

## Round Yoke Cowl Neck Tunic



This cowl neck tunic is crocheted in one piece from the neck down.

The large hook size creates a nice drape, and the resulting fabric is light, airy, stretchy and slightly see-through.

The recommended yarn is a medium weight machine washable mohair/acrylic blend. Any medium weight yarn could be substituted as long as the correct tension (gauge) is achieved, although this pattern would work best with a light and slightly fuzzy yarn.

### **Materials**

- 5 x 50g Sirdar Blur yarn (205 yards/50g)
- 8mm crochet hook (or size needed to obtain tension (gauge))

### **Tension (Gauge)**

- 11 stitches x 12 rows to 4 inches

### **Finished Dimensions**

Bust 40"

Length 26"

### **Stitch Pattern**

UK double crochet (= US single crochet)

### **Abbreviations**

W = work, Sk1 = skip one st, M1 = work 2 sts in next st

## Instructions

### **Cowl Neck**

*This is worked in the round in without turning or slip stitching between rows. The neck is worked inside out so that the right side will be showing when it is worn.*

Loosely chain 53 stitches. Turn. Work in double crochet (= US single crochet) inserting hook into second stitch from hook. At end of row (52 stitches), join to form a circle and work in the round (without turning or slip stitching at the end of the row) until neck measures 9 inches (or required length). Turn work, so that the opposite side will be facing you on starting the yoke

### **Yoke**

Place marker at the beginning of the first round.

Round 1: Work even on 52 sts.

Round 2: Inc 29 sts evenly across the row to total 81 sts.

(\* [W1, M1] 3 times, then [M1] once \* 6 times, then [W1, M1] 5 times.)

Round 3: Work even on 81 sts.

Round 4: Inc 29 sts evenly across the row to total 110 sts.  
(\* [W2, M1] 3 times, then [W1, M1] once \* 6 times, then [W2, M1] 5 times.)

Rounds 5 to 8: Work even on 110 sts.

Round 9: Inc 29 sts evenly across the row to total 139 sts.  
(\* [W3, M1] 3 times, then [W2, M1] once \* 6 times, then [W3, M1] 5 times.)

Rounds 10 to 16: Work even on 139 sts.

Round 17: Inc 29 sts evenly across the row to total 168 sts.  
(\* [W4, M1] 3 times, then [W3, M1] once \* 6 times, then [W4, M1] 5 times.)

Rounds 18 to 31: Work even on 168 sts.

### **Divide for body and sleeves**

Split the yoke into front, back and sleeve sections as follows. Starting at beginning of round, mark each section: 32 sts for right sleeve, 52 sts for front, 32 sts for left sleeve and the remaining 52 sts for back.

### **Body**

With right side facing, starting where back joins left sleeve, chain 4 sts for underarm. Work stitches from front section. Chain 4 sts for second underarm. Work sts from back section. Total 112 sts for body. Mark the beginning of the round.  
Work even until piece measures 18.0 ins from armhole (or desired length).  
Work one round of *very loose* slip stitches to stabilize hem, join with slip stitch and tie off.

### **Sleeves**

With right side facing, re-join yarn and work sts from right sleeve section, working into the Chain 4 sts at the underarm. Total 36 sts for sleeve. Join. Decrease one stitch at the beginning and end of next round (34 stitches). Work even until sleeve measures 10 inches (or desired length).  
Work one round of *very loose* slip stitches to stabilize cuff, join with slip stitch and tie off.  
Work second sleeve in the same way.

*Pattern for individual use only.*

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