## Overall dress recipe



You will need tutorial as well as this pattern
Designed by Clare Sullivan
Video tutorial - https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBAl2EuIYeKsDGvLPEHXe -OSQoYIKBRK

## Easy - intermediate

## Supplies

8 stitch markers, scissors, yarn needle and a tape measure
4 mm/G hook
Yarn needed to make an Australian size ladies 10/ USA 6
You will need more yarn for bigger sizes
$6 \times 100$ gram/3.5 oz Fiberific 8ply/DK/number 3 yarn
Total of 1200 meters/1312 yards/600 grams/21.2 oz
Colours used - Coral, Jos, Lake, Tiff and lipstick
I used 5 colours and 1 colour I had 200 grams/7 oz
Pattern contains screen shot form video tutorial

Measure around the biggest part of your bottom - we need to get the skirt over it $;$

Write that measurement here $\rightarrow$ $\qquad$
$\checkmark$ Make a chain in multiples of 6 until it is the same measurement as we wrote down above. You will need to stretch out the chain when you measure it

Join without twisting to first chain with a slip stitch

1. Ch3, 2dc into same stitch *skip 2 stitches $3 d c^{\prime}$ s into the next ch*
 repeat from * to * around and join with a slip stitch to the top of the beginning ch 3 Now is a great time to try it on to see if you can fit it over your bottom, if not you need to start again with more chains
$\checkmark$ If you are changing colour for the next round, finish off your yarn.

- If you are using the same colour for the next round, slip stitch to the next space


## Non increase round

2. Ch3, 2dc into same space *3dc's into the next space* repeat from * to * around and join with a slip stitch to the top of the beginning ch 3
$\downarrow$ If you are changing colour for the next round, finish off your yarn.

- If you are using the same colour for the next round, slip stitch to the next space

3. Repeat round 2 - non increase round
4. Repeat round 2 - non increase round

## Increase round

$\checkmark$ Try your skirt on and with the start of the round in the middle at the back, stitch markers need to be placed where your bottom sticks out the furthest - see images below


- You will have 2 places that you increase, space them evenly from the middle of round - see image below
- Different sizes will have different amounts of 3dc groups and spaces between the middle and the increase markers


5. Ch3, 2dc into same space *3dc's into the next space until you get to your first stitch marker (3dc, ch2, 3dc) into the marked stitch (leave stitch marker in place, this helps is identify where the increase is further into the pattern) * repeat from ${ }^{*}$ to ${ }^{*}$ ) around and join with a slip stitch to the top of the beginning ch 3
6. Repeat round 2 - non increase round
7. Depending on our body shape, we will need to repeat round 2 - non increase round, until we have either a total of 4 or 6 repeats of round 2 . Try your skirt on after you have done 4 rounds, if it is getting a little tight, stick with 4 rounds, if not add 2 more rounds for a total of 6 non increase rounds


## Increase round

Use 2 more stitch markers to mark the space that lines up (marked by blue stitch marker) with the previous increase (marked by blue orange marker) You can also see them in the image above on the last row we have crocheted

$\checkmark$ Because this pattern is a recipe there are no more numbered rounds because from now on we are all making different sizes -
$\checkmark$ We want to repeat the last section we did (4 or 6 rounds of non increase rounds, 1 increase round)

$\checkmark$ I kept going until I have 3 increases rounds (separated by non increase rounds of course) to get the skirt to fit over my bottom (see image above) If you need more, repeat another section $)$
$\downarrow$ When we have our bottom covered it is time for lots of no increase rounds, length is up to you, I like short skirts and my skirt has a total of 38 rounds

## Top section - bib

Decide where you want your top section to sit. Measure the distance between the pins - yes I know mine are crooked, let's pretend they are straight haha write your measurement here $\qquad$

1. Ch a multiple of 3 , plus 1 until you have the measurement you wrote above, don't forget to stretch out your ch a little when you measure it 2 dc into the $4^{\text {th }}$ ch from the hook, *skip 2 ch's, 3 dc into the next ch* repeat from * to * across, ending with 3dc into the last ch, turn
2. Ch3, 3dc into each space across, 1 dc into the last stitch, turn


In the video tutorial I give you 2 options,
Option 1 - top of the dress/bib has straight sides
Option 2 - top of the dress/bib gets wider

## Option 1 instructions

3. Ch3, 2dc into same space, 3 dc into each space across, 2 dc into last space, 1 dc into last stitch, turn
4. Ch3, 3dc into next space and each space across, 1 dc into the last space, turn
5. Repeat rows 3 and 4 for remainder of bib. If you are crocheting stripes in a sequence you need to stop 2 colours before the colour you used on the first row of the skirt. We will be joining with the colour that comes 1 before the first colour
E.g....if you have colour 1 , colour 2 , colour 3 , colour 4 and colour 5 - this will work with any amount of rows $)$ Colour 1 is your first colour and colour 5 is your last colour
Crochet your rows including colour 4 and join with colour 5
$\checkmark$ If you are making a scrap project or all the one colour you will not need to worry about what colour you finish on. The last row of the bib is our joining colour

Option 2 instructions
3. Ch3, 3dc into same space, 3 dc into each space across, 3 dc into last space, 1 dc into last stitch, turn
4. Ch3, 3 dc into the space between the last and $2^{\text {nd }}$ last stitch of the previous row, 3 dc into each space across, 3 dc into the space between the second last and last stitch, 1 dc into the last stitch, turn
5. Ch3, 3dc into next space and each space across, 1 dc into the last space, turn
6. Ch3, 2dc into same space, 3 dc into each space across, 2 dc into last space, 1 dc into last stitch, turn
7. Repeat row 5
8. Repeat rows 3-7 for remainder of bib. If you are crocheting stripes in a sequence you need to stop $\mathbf{2}$ colours before the colour you used on the first row of the skirt. We will be joining with the colour that comes 1 before the first colour
Eg...if you have colour 1, colour 2, colour 3, colour 4 and colour 5 - this will work with any amount of rows © Colour 1 is your first colour and colour 5 is your last colour
Crochet your rows including colour 4 and join with colour 5
$\checkmark$ If you are making a scrap project or all the one colour you will not need to worry about what colour you finish on. The last row of the bib is our joining colour

## Joining the bib to skirt

With back of skirt (this is where we did our increases) facing table, lay skirt flat. Fold in half to find the centre, make sure your start of row is on the fold - see $3^{\text {rd }}$ image. Unfold


Place bib with the last row we completed on top of the first row of our skirt - see image below. Make sure it is centred


I used a couple of stitch markers to temporally hold the bib and skirt together. Pull bib towards you


Place yarn back on hook that is attached to the last row of the bib. Ch3, place hook into the space between the legs of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ double crochet of the group of 3dc's from the first row of the skirt - see $1^{\text {st }}$ image

*Slip stitch - see image 2 and 3 and pull loop snug 3 dc into next space on BIB, place hook into the space between the legs of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ double crochet of the group of 3 dc 's from the first row of the skirt - see $1^{\text {st }}$ image. 3 dc into next space on BIB* repeat from * to * across. End with 1dc into the space on the skirt.


Finish off. Sew the tail into the same stitch as your last slip stitch on the bib


## Straps - make 2

Straps arre made in milutiples of $3+1$
Example
$9+1=10$ chains, gives you 3 shells
$12+1=13$ chains, gives you 4 shells

1. Make your chains, 2 dc into the $4^{\text {th }}$ ch from hook, skip 2 ch's, 3 dc into the next ch* repeat from * to * across, ending with 3dc into the last ch, turn
2. Ch3, 3dc into each space across, 1 dc into the last stitch, turn
3. Ch3, 2dc into the 1st space, 3 dc into each space across, 2 dc into the last space, 1 dc into last stitch
4. Repeat rows 2 and 3 until your strap is long enough, finishing on row $\mathbf{2 - I}$ did 50 rows and it measures 19.5 inches $/ 50 \mathrm{~cm}$ long - don't forget that crochet stretches and I have made them about 1-2 inches shorter than needed DO NOT FINSIH OFF

## Joining straps

Decide where you want your straps to join to the back of the skirt.
I placed mine 4 shells from beginning of the first round of the skirt (marked by yellow arrow below)
The blue and yellow stitch markers are where I attached my straps


Ch3, place hook into the space between the legs of the 2 nd double crochet of the group of 3dc's from the first row of the skirt, 2dc into the first space on the STRAP
*Slip stitch into the space between the legs of the 2 nd double crochet of the group of 3dc's from the first row of the skirt. 3 dc into next space on strap* repeat from * to * across. End with 2 dc into last space on strap, 1 dc into last stitch of strap, slip stitch into the space between the legs of the 2 nd double crochet of the group of 3dc's from the first row of the skirt. Finish off

Repeat for second strap

## Options Edging

I decided to sc around the edges of the stop of the skirt, straps and bib See last video in playlist if you need additional help

Thank you for choosing my pattern
Happy crochet
Clare xx

