

## Versatile Sweater



I modified this only slightly. I put a row of sc in the contrasting color at the sleeve edge, and all around the outside, doing two Chain-4 loops for button holes at the top front.

### Supplies:

- \* 1 skeins of worsted weight yarn; a little bit of worsted weight yarn in contrasting color for edging
- \* size H crochet hook
- \* two buttons and one yarn needle

### Abbreviations:

- \* Ch: chain
- \* DC: double crochet
- \* SC: single crochet
- \* St: stitch
- \* DC-DEC: double crochet decrease
- \* Sl st: slip stitch

### Body:

With the main color of your choice, Chain 38. (approximately 11 inches)

Row 1: DC in the 4th ch from hook and in every ch across. (36 stitches) Ch3, turn. Count this Ch3 as the first st in the next row and in every other row.

Row 2: DC in all other sts across. Ch3, turn.

Row 3 - 4: Repeat Row 2.

Row 5: DC in next 5 sts, (DC, Ch1, DC) in the next st, DC in next 4 sts (first sleeve), (DC, Ch1, DC) in the next chain, DC in next 12 chs (back), (DC, Ch1, DC) in next chain, DC in next 4 chs (second sleeve), (DC, Ch1, DC) in next chain, DC in the next 6 chs (second front), Ch3, turn.

Row 6: \* Work DC until the Ch1 space, work (DC, Ch1, DC) in this space, repeat from \* 3 more times, DC to end, Ch3, turn.

Repeat Row 6 until desired chest measurement. My shirts had a chest circumference of about 23 inches. (For newborn I went to row 12 rows = 4 for the collar plus 8 separating rows)

Next row(13): DC until Ch1 space, work DC-DEC in the first Ch1 space and the next Ch1 space (one sleeve separated), DC until next (third) Ch1 space, work DC-DEC in the third Ch1 space and the next (fourth) Ch1 space (second sleeve separated), DC to end, Ch3, turn.

Next row(14): DC in each st across, Ch3, turn.

Repeat this row to desired length (I did 7 rows from the armpit) and fasten off.

### **Sleeves:**

Attach main color yarn at underarm, Ch2, work DC around, join to the second st of Ch2 with slip st.

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For sleeve edging: Attach contrasting color, Ch1, work SC around, join to Ch1 with slip st. Fasten off.

**Repeat** the same for the next sleeve.

I like to crochet one round of sc in contrasting color all around outside edge, and make button loops where I want to place the button. Loops are just ch-4's worked in between the sc.

**Buttons:** Sew buttons as shown in the pictures.

Weave in ends.