

CARON® **CHESSBOARD CROCHET VEST**

CAC0132-034164M | December 13, 2022



MATERIALS							
Caron® Simply Soft	® (6 oz/	170.1	g; 31	5 yds/	′288 m)		
Sizes	XS/S	M	L	XL	2/3XL	4/5XL	
Contrast A Black (39727)	2	2	3	3	4	4	balls
Contrast B White (39701)	2	2	3	3	4	4	balls

Sizes U.S. 7 (4.5 mm) and U.S. H/8 (5 mm) Susan Bates® Silvalume™ crochet hooks or size needed to obtain gauge. Susan Bates® yarn needle.





CROCHET I SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

ABBREVIATIONS

Beg = Begin(ning)	Rep = Repeat
Ch = Chain(s)	RS = Right side
Cont = Continue(ity)	Sc = Single crochet
Dec = Decrease(d)(s)	Scbl = Single crochet in back
Hdc = Half double crochet	loop only
Hdc2tog = Yoh and draw up a	Sp(s) = Space(s)
loop in each of next 2 stitches.	St(s) = Stitch(es)
Yoh and draw through all loops	Tog = Together
on hook	WS = Wrong side
Pat = Pattern	Yoh = Yarn over hook
Rem = Remaining	

SIZES

To fit chest measurement

XS/S	28-34" [71-86.5 cm]
M	36-38" [91.5-96.5 cm]
L	40-42" [101.5-106.5 cm
XL	44-46" [112-117 cm]
2/3XL	48-54" [122-137 cm]
4/5XL	56-62" [142-157.5 cm]

Finished chest

XS/S	38" [96.5 cm]
M	42" [106.5 cm]
L	46½" [118 cm]
XL	51" [129.5 cm]
2/3XL	57" [144.5 cm]
4/5XL	61½" [157.5 cm]

GAUGE

13 hdc and 11 rows = 4" [10 cm] with larger hook in pat.

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus (). Numbers for each size are shown *in the same color throughout the* pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.



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Notes:

- When working Check Pat, use intarsia technique - wind small balls of the colors to be used, one for each separate area of color in the design. To change colors, join next color during last yoh of previous st and proceed with new color.
- Sts are worked in spaces between hdc.
- Ch 2 at beg of row does not count as hdc.

BACK

**Ribbing: With A and smaller hook, ch 11.

1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each ch to end of chain. Turn. 10 sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 scbl in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Rep last row until Ribbing measures 19 (21-23-25-29-31)" [48 (53.5-58.5-63.5-73.5-78.5) cm], when slightly stretched. **Do not** fasten off.

Change to larger hook.

Next row: (RS). Ch 1. Work **62** (**67**-**76-83-93-100**) sc evenly across long edge of Ribbing. Turn.

See diagrams for Check Pat placement on page 4.

Proceed in pat as follows:**

Sizes XS/S, M, and 2/3XL only: Foundation row: (WS). With A, ch 2. 1 hdc in each of first 13 (14-14) sc. [With B, 1 hdc in each of next 12 (13-13) sc. With A, 1 hdc in each of next 12 (13-13) sc] 2 (2-3) times. With A, 1 hdc in last sc. Turn. 62 (67-93) hdc.

1st row: (RS). With A, ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between first 2 hdc. (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. *With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. Rep from * 1 (1-2) time(s) more. With A, 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn.

2nd to 10th rows: Rep 1st row 9 times more, joining B at end of last row.

11th row: With B, ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between first 2 hdc. (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. *With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. Rep from * once more. With B, 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn.

***Sizes L, XL and 4/5XL only: Foundation row: (WS). With A, ch 2. 1 hdc in each of next (8-9-8) sc. [With B, 1 hdc in each of next (12-13-12) sc. With A, 1 hdc in each of next (12-13-12) sc] (2-2-3) times. With B, 1 hdc in each of next (12-13-12) sc. With A, 1 hdc in each of next (8-9-8) sc Turn. (76-83-100) hdc.

1st row: (RS). With A, ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between first 2 hdc. (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (7-8-7) times. *With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (12-13-12) times. With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (12-13-12) times. Rep from * (1-1-2) time(s) more. With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (12-13-12) times. With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (7-8-7) times. 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn.

2nd to 10th rows: Rep 1st row 9 times more, joining B at end of last row.

11th row: With B, ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between first 2 hdc. (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (7-8-7) times.
*With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (12-13-12) times. With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (12-13-12) times. Rep from * (1-1-2) time(s) more. With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (12-13-12) times. With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) (7-8-7) times. 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn.***

All sizes: 12th to 20th rows: Rep 11th row 9 times more, joining A at end of last row.

These 20 rows establish Check Pat.

****Next 24 rows: Work last 20 rows once more, then rep 1st row 4 times more. Fasten off.

Keeping cont of pat, proceed as follows:

Shape armholes: Next row: (RS). Skip first 3 (3-6-8-9-11) hdc. Join appropriate color with sl st to next hdc. Ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc. Pat to last 3 (3-6-8-9-11) hdc. Turn. Leave rem 3 (3-6-8-9-11) hdc unworked.



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Next row: Ch 2. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. Pat to last 3 sts. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn. 54 (55-60-63-71-74) sts.****

Keeping cont of pat, rep last row 4 (4-4-4-6-6) times more. 46 (47-52-55-59-62) sts rem.

Cont even in Check Pat until armhole measures **8** (8½-9-9½-10-10½)" [**20.5** (21.5-23-24-25.5-26.5) cm], ending on a WS row. Fasten off.

FRONT

Work from ** to ** as given for Back.

Sizes XS/S, M, and 2/3XL only: Foundation row: (WS). With B, ch 2. 1 hdc in each of next 13 (14-14) sc. [With A, 1 hdc in each of next 12 (13-13) sc. With B, 1 hdc in each of next 12 (13-13) sc] 2 (2-3) times. With B, 1 hdc in last sc. Turn. 62 (69-93) hdc.

1st row: (RS). With B, ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between first 2 hdc. (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. *With A, [1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. Rep from * 1 (1-2) time(s) more. With B, 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn.

2nd to 10th rows: Rep 1st row 9 times more, joining A at end of last row.

11th row: With A, ch 2. 1 hdc in sp between first 2 hdc. (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. *With B, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. With A, (1 hdc in sp between next 2 hdc) 12 (13-13) times. Rep from * once more. With A, 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn.

12th to 20th rows: Rep 11th row 9 times more, joining B at end of last row.

These 20 rows form Check Pat.

Sizes L, XL and 4/5XL only: Work from *** to *** as given for Back.

12th to 20th rows: Rep 11th row 9 times more, joining A at end of last row.

These 20 rows form Check Pat.

All sizes: Work from **** to **** as Cont even in Check Pat until given for Back. Cont even in Check Pat until armhole measures 8 (8½-9-9½-

Divide for Left V-neck shaping: 1st row: (RS). Ch 2. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. Pat across next 22 (22-25-26-30-32) sts. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. 1 hdc in next hdc. Turn. Leave rem sts unworked. 25 (25-28-29-33-35) sts.

2nd row: Ch 2. Pat to last 3 sts. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. 1 hdc in last st. Turn.

3rd row: Ch 2. Hdc2tog over nextTurn.2 sps between hdc. Pat to last 3 sts.2nd rHdc2tog over next 2 sps between2 spshdc. 1 hdc in last st. Turn.row. T

Rep last 2 rows **0** (0-0-0-1-1) time(s) more.

Next row: As 2nd row. **19** (**19-22-23-24-26**) sts rem.

Next row: (RS). Ch 2. Pat to last 3 sts. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. 1 hdc in last st. Turn. **Next row:** Ch 2. Pat to end of row.

Turn. Rep last 2 rows **7** (**7-9-10-10-11**)

times more. 11 (11-12-13-14) sts rem.

Cont even in Check Pat until armhole measures 8 (8½-9-9½-10-10½)" [20.5 (21.5-23-24-25.5-26.5) cm], ending on a WS row. Fasten off.

Right V-neck shaping: 1st row: (RS). Skip next 0 (1-0-1-1-0) hdc. Join appropriate color with sl st to first (next-first-next-next-first) unworked hdc. Ch 2. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. Pat to last 3 sts. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. 1 hdc in last hdc. Turn

2nd row: Ch 2. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. Pat to end of row. Turn.

3rd row: Ch 2. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. Pat to last 3 sts. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. 1 hdc in last st. Turn.

Rep last 2 rows **0** (**0-0-0-1-1**) time(s) more.

Next row: As 2nd row. **19** (**19-22-23-24-26**) sts rem.



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Next row: (RS). Ch 2. Hdc2tog over next 2 sps between hdc. Pat to end of row. Turn.

Turn.

Rep last 2 rows **7** (**7-9-10-10-11**) times more. 11 (11-12-12-13-14) sts rem.

Cont even in Check Pat until armhole measures 8 (8½-9-9½-10-11)" [20.5 (21.5-23-24-25.5-28) cm], ending on a WS row. Fasten off. Sew side and shoulder seams.

Armbands: With A and smaller hook, ch 5.

1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each ch to end of chain. Turn. 4 sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 scbl in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Rep last row until Armband measures length to fit around armhole (stretching slightly). Fasten off leaving a long end. Sew to armhole having Armband seam at side seam. Sew ends of Armband tog.

Note: Make sure Armbands and Neckband stretch to fit garment edges for a neat finish.

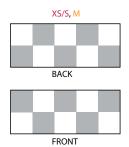
Neckband

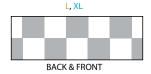
With A and smaller hook, ch 5.

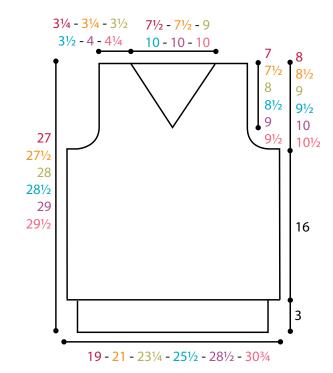
1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. **Next row:** Ch 2. Pat to end of row. 1 sc in each ch to end of chain. Turn, 4 sc.

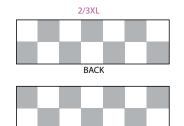
> 2nd row: Ch 1. 1 scbl in each sc to end of row. Turn.

> Rep last row until Neckband measures length to fit along neck edge (stretching slightly). Fasten off leaving a long end. Overlap ends of neckband at V (see photo) and sew in position to neck edge.









FRONT



