

Neatly Worked Crochet Brassiere

(Size 34-inch.)

MATERIALS required: 2 balls (20 gram) Coats' Mercer-Crochet No. 20's, white. 1 yard double-sided satin ribbon, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, white. 3 hooks and eyes. Steel crochet hook No. $3\frac{1}{2}$ -19.

Medallion: With No. 20's crochet 8 ch, join with a ss.

1st row: Into centre work 14 dc, join with a ss into first dc.

2nd row: 4 ch, 1 dbl tr into same place as ss of previous row, * 2 dbl tr into next dc, repeat from * all round. Join with a ss into last of 4 ch.

3rd row: 3 ch, 1 tr into same place as ss of previous row, * 2 tr into dbl tr, repeat from * all round, join with a ss into last of 3 ch.

4th row: 1 ch, work ldc on top of each tr of previous row, increasing 4 times in row, join with a ss into 1 ch.

5th row: 8 ch, * miss 2 dc, 1 dc into next, 7 ch, repeat from * all round, join with a ss into first of 8 ch.

6th row: Ss along 4 of 8 ch of previous row, 8 ch, * 1 dc into 4th of 7 ch, 7 ch, repeat from * all round, join with a ss into first of 8 ch.

7th row: Ss along 4 of 8 ch of previous row, 6 ch, * 1 dc into 4th of 7 ch, 5 ch, repeat from * all round, join with a ss into first of 6 ch.

8th row: 8 ch, * 1 tr into dc of previous row, 5 ch, repeat from * all round, join with a ss into 3rd of 8 ch.

9th row: 4 ch, 1 tr into 6th of 8 ch of previous row, * 3 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, 1 tr on top of tr, 1 ch, 1 tr into 3rd of 5 ch, repeat from * all round, ending row with 3 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, join with a ss into 3rd of 4 ch.

10th row: 4 ch, 1 tr into 2nd of 3 ch of previous row, * 3 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, 1 tr on top of single tr, 1 ch, 1 tr into 2nd of 3 ch, repeat from * all round, ending row with 3 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, join with a ss into 3rd of 4 ch.

11th row: 5 ch, 1 tr into 2nd of 3 ch of previous row, * 3 ch, 1 tr into same place, 2 ch, 1 tr on top of single tr, 2 ch, 1 tr into 2nd of 3 ch, repeat from * all round, ending row with 3 ch, 1 tr into same place, 2 ch, join with a ss into 3rd of 5 ch.

Repeat this last row 4 more times. Make 2 darts $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. apart, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide and $\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep.

16th row: 4 ch, 1 dbl tr into each st until first dart is reached, then work 4 tr, 4 half tr, 19 dc, 4 half tr, 4 tr, the second dart is now reached.

Continue working 1 dbl tr into each st until row is complete, join with a ss into last of 4 ch. Break off thread. Work another medallion to correspond.

Upper Band (left side): Join thread at 2nd dart, crochet 5 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next, repeat from * 20 more times.

2nd row: 5 ch, turn, miss 1 ch and 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next ch, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, repeat from * 17 more times, 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, leaving 2 sts on hook, 1 dbl tr into last of 5 ch of previous row, leaving 3 sts on hook, over thread, pull all 3 sts through at once.

3rd row: 5 ch, turn, 1 dbl tr into ch, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, repeat from * to end of row, ending row with 1 ch, 1 dbl tr into last of 5 ch of previous row.

4th row: 5 ch, turn, miss 1 ch and 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next ch, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, repeat from * to end of row, ending row with 1 ch, 1 dbl tr into last of 5 ch of previous row. Repeat these last 2 rows 12 more times. Break off thread.

Join thread at first dart, crochet 5 ch, turn, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next, repeat from * 17 more times.

2nd row: 5 ch, turn, 1 dbl tr into ch, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, repeat from * 11 more times, 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, leaving 2 sts on hook, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, leaving 3 sts on hook, over thread, pull all 3 sts through at once.

3rd row: 5 ch, turn, miss 1 ch and 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into next ch, * 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, repeat from * to end of row. Break off thread.



4th row: Turn, join thread on the 8th dbl tr from end of previous row, 1 ss into next st, 1 dc into each of the next 2 sts, 1 half tr into each of the next 2 sts, 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 tr into ch, 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into ch, 1 ch, miss 1 dbl tr, 1 dbl tr into last of 5 ch of previous row. Break off thread.

Work right side of band to correspond.

Lower Band: Crochet a chain 30 in. long (418 ch), into 4th ch from hook work 1 tr. Continue working 1 tr into each ch to end of ch.

2nd row: 4 ch, turn, miss 2 tr of previous row, 1 tr into next, * 1 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into next, repeat from * to end of row, ending row with 1 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, miss 2 tr, 1 tr into 3rd of 4 ch of previous row.

3rd row: 4 ch, turn, 1 tr into ch between 2 tr of previous row, * 1 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, 1 tr on top of single tr of previous row, 1 ch, 1 tr into ch between 2 tr, repeat from * to end of row, ending row with 1 ch, 1 tr into same place, 1 ch, 1 tr into 3rd of 4 ch of previous row.

Repeat this row once more.

5th row: 3 ch, turn, 1 tr into each st to end of row, ending row with 1 tr into 3rd of 4 ch of previous row. Break off thread.

Join upper part at centre front. Sew upper part to lower band.

Work 1 row of tr up back opening and along top of upper band, working 1 tr at corner, join to medallion with a ss. Break off thread.

Join thread at other medallion and work other side to correspond.

Work a row of tr across band at centre front, joining to medallions.

Join thread at bottom of back opening and work * 4 ch, miss 3 sts, 1 dc into next, repeat from * up back opening and along top and down other side of back opening. Break off thread. Sew hooks and eyes on at back opening.

Cut ribbon in two and sew on for shoulder straps.

If a larger brassiere is required, add more rows on to the medallion and lengthen the bands. If a smaller size is required, decrease number of rows on medallion and make bands shorter.

Abbreviations:—St. stitch; ss, slip stitch; ch, chain; dc, double crochet; half tr, half treble; tr, treble; dbl tr, double treble.