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## Soft Sage Circle Jacket

with

**SIMPLY SOFT®**

designed by Doris J. Chan

**TECHNIQUE USED:** Crochet**SIZES:** Small (Medium, Large).**FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

Bust 36 (40, 44)"

Length 24 (25, 26)"

Sleeve Length 17"

**MATERIALS**

Caron International's Simply Soft (100% acrylic; 6 oz/170 g. 315 yds/288 m skein): #9705 Sage, 4 (4, 5) skeins

One crochet hook size US I-9 (5.5 mm), or size to obtain gauge

One crochet hook size US H-8 (5 mm) for buttons only

Split ring markers or scraps of contrasting yarn for markers

2 plastic bone rings, 7/8" diam, for buttons

Blunt yarn needle

**GAUGE**

In V-st pat, using US size H-9 (5.5 mm) hook, 4 V-st and 6 rows V-st= 4"/10cm.

Note: Fabric will grow in length and skinny out for finished measurements.

In Leaf patt, one rep= 2 1/2"/6.5cm.

**ABBREVIATIONS****Base ch/sc:** Start with a slip knot, ch 2, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, draw up a lp, YO and draw through one lp (the "chain"), YO and draw

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through 2 lps (the "sc"). The following st is worked under the forward 2 lps of the stem of the prev st (into the "chain"). Insert hook into the face of the "chain" and under the nub at the back of the "chain", draw up a lp, YO and draw through one lp (the "chain"), YO and draw through 2 lps (the "sc"). Repeat for the length of foundation.

**To add stitches with base ch/sc:** At end of a row, do not turn; ch 1, insert hook under 2 strands of stem of st just made, YO and draw up a lp, YO and draw through one lp on hook, YO and draw through 2 lps on hook; make addl base ch/sc as needed.

**V st:** (dc, ch 2, dc) in same st or sp

**V in V:** V in ch-2 sp of next V

**CL (dc 4 tog cluster):** [YO, insert hook, YO and draw up a lp, YO and draw through 2 lps on hook] 4 times in same place, YO and draw through 5 lps on hook

**One Leaf repeat:** [ch 3, CL, ch 2, dc, ch 2, CL, ch 3].

## BODY

**Note:** Sweater is made from the neck down, with increases at four corners to create raglan-type shaping at the arm.

Base ch/sc 33 to measure approx 11" stretched.

**Row 1:** Ch 5, dc in first sc, [sk next sc, V in next sc] 16 times, turn – 17 Vs.

**Row 2 (inc):** Ch 5, (dc, ch 2, V) in first ch-sp for corner, V in each of next 3 Vs, (V, ch 2, V) in next V for corner, V in each of next 7 Vs, (V, ch 2, V) in next V for corner, V in each of next 3 V's, (V, ch 2, V) in tch sp for corner, turn.

Mark ch-2 sp at center of each inc for corner, move or wrap markers up as you go.

**For Size M and L only:** Row 2a (inc): Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, \*(V, ch 2, V) in next corner ch-2 sp, V in each of next V to next corner; repeat from \* 2 times, (V, ch 2, V) in last corner ch-2 sp, end with dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**For size L only: Row 2b (inc):** Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, V in next V, \*(V, ch 2, V) in next corner ch-2 sp, V in each of next V to next corner; repeat from \* 2 times, (V, ch 2, V) in last corner ch-2 sp, V in next V, end with dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, V in each V and corner ch-2 sp across, end with dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn – 25 (33, 41) Vs.

**Row 4 (inc):** Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, \*V in next V to next corner V, (V, ch 2, V) in corner V; repeat from \* 3 times, V in next V to end, end with dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 5:** Repeat Row 3 – 33 (41, 49) Vs.

Inc at corners, shape neck edges, beg Leaf repeat at center of each arm and center of back.

**Row 6 (inc):** Ch 5, V in first ch-sp, \*V in each V to next corner V, (V, ch 2, V) in corner V\*, V in next 3 (4, 5) V, make leaf repeat of [ch 3, CL, ch 2, dc, ch 2, CL, ch 3] in next V; repeat between \* \*, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, repeat between [ ] in next V; repeat between \* \*, V in next 3 (4, 5) V, repeat between [ ]; repeat between \* \*, V in next V to end, end with V in tch sp, ch

2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 7:** Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, \*V in each V and corner ch-2 sp to next leaf, make Leaf over leaf by: [ch 3, sk ch-3 sp, CL in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, dc in dc, ch 2, CL in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, sk ch-3 sp]; repeat from \* 2 times, V in each V and corner ch-2 sp to end, end with ch 2, dc in tch sp, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 8:** Repeat Row 7.

Inc at corners, shape neck edges.

**Row 9:** Ch 5, V in first ch-sp, \*[V in each V to next corner V, (V, ch 2, V) in corner V], V in each V to next leaf, make Leaf over leaf; repeat from \* 2 times; repeat between [ ], V in each V to end, end with V in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 10:** Repeat Row 7.

Join fronts and back with additional sts at underarms.

**Row 11:** Ch 5, V in 1st ch-sp, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, \*V in next corner V, base ch/sc 5 for underarm, sk sts of armhole, V in next corner V\*, V in next 7 (8, 9) V to Leaf, make Leaf over leaf, V in next 7 (8, 9) V to next corner V; repeat between \* \* for underarm, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, end with V in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

Finish neck shaping (beg 2 additional Leaf repeats at back).

**Row 12:** Ch 5, V in first ch-sp, \*V in next 6 (7, 8) V to underarm, sk next 2 sc, V in next sc, sk next 2 sc\*, V in next 6 (7, 8) V, make Leaf by [ch 3, CL, ch 2, dc, ch 2, CL, ch 3] in next V, V in next V, make Leaf in next leaf, V in next V, make Leaf in next V; repeat between \* \*, V in next 6 (7, 8) V, end with V in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 13:** Ch 5, dc in 1st ch-sp, V in next 14 (16, 18) V to next leaf, \*make Leaf in next leaf, V in next V, repeat from \* 2 times, V in each V to end, end with dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 14-17:** Repeat Row 13.

Make 2 additional Leaf repeats at back.

**Row 18:** Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, V in next 12 (14, 16) V, make Leaf in next V, [V in next V, Leaf in next leaf] 3 times, V in next V, make Leaf in next V, V in next 12 (14, 16) V, dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 19:** Ch 5, dc in first ch-sp, V in each V to next leaf, [Leaf in next leaf, V in next V] 5 times, V in each V to end, end with dc in tch sp, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of tch, turn.

**Row 20-22:** Repeat Row 19.

**Row 23:** Ch 5, sk first ch-sp, work in patt as established, end with sk tch sp, dtr in 3rd ch of tch, do not turn.

### Edging and Collar

With RS now facing, rotate and cont with sc around entire front edge of jacket making short rows for back collar.

**Short Row 1 (RS):** 5 sc in dtr row edge for lower corner, 2 sc in next 22 (23, 24) dc row edges of right front, sc in next 23 base ch of neck, sl st in next ch, turn.

**Short Row 2:** Sk sl st, sc in next 15 sc, sl st in next sc, turn.

**Short Row 3:** Sk sl st, sc in next 15 sc, sc in same base ch as sl st, sc in next 6 base ch, sl st in next base ch, turn.

**Short Row 4:** Sk sl st, sc in next 22 sc, sc in same sc as sl st, sc in next 6 sc, sl st in next sc, turn.

Short Row 5 (RS): Sk sl st, sc in next 29 sc, sc in same base ch as sl st, sc in last 2 base ch, 2 sc in next 22 (23, 24) dc row edges of left front, 5 sc in beg ch-5 sp for lower corner, sl st in next dc, fasten off – 131 (135, 139) sc.

#### Ruffle Trim

Turn. With WS now facing, join with sl st in dc in middle of leaf at center back. Maintain 5 leaf repeats at back, make Vs around entire edge, adjusting stitch count over sc for sizes M and L.

**Rnd 1 (WS):** Ch 5, CL in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, (V in next V, make Leaf in next leaf) 2 times, V in next 12 (14, 16) V, [V in next sc at lower corner, sk next 0 (1, 0) sc] 2 times, V in next sc, [sk next 2 (2, 1) sc, V in next sc] 2 times, [sk next 2 sc, V in next sc] 38 (38, 42) times, [sk next 2 (2, 1) sc, V in next sc] 2 times, [sk next 0 (1, 0) sc, V in next sc] 2 times, V in next 12 (14, 16) V, [make Leaf in next leaf, V in next V] 2 times, ch 3, CL in next ch-2 sp of same leaf as beg, ch 2, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch, turn – 71 (75, 83) Vs plus 5 leaf repeats.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 5, CL in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, [V in next V, make Leaf in next leaf] 2 times, [V in next V, make Leaf in next V] 35 (37, 41) times, V in next V, [make Leaf in next leaf, V in next V] 2 times, ch 3, CL in next ch-2 sp of same leaf as beg, ch 2, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch, turn – 40 (42, 46) leaf repeats.

Rnd 3: Ch 5, CL in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, [V in next V, make Leaf in next leaf] 39, 41, 45 times, V in next V, ch 3, CL in next ch-2 sp of same leaf as beg, ch 2, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch, turn.

**Rnds 4-6:** Repeat Rnd 3.

**Rnd 7:** Ch 2, dc3tog in same st for beg cluster, \*ch 3, sl st in top of cluster just made for picot, ch 4, sc in next cluster, ch 4, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next V, ch 4, sc in next cluster, ch 4, CL in dc at center of leaf; repeat from \* around, omit last CL, instead sl st in top of beg cluster, fasten off.

#### SLEEVES

With RS facing, join with sl st in 3rd ch at middle of one underarm.

**Rnd 1 (RS):** Ch 3, dc in ch-sp of same corner V as joined for underarm, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, make Leaf in next leaf, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, dc in ch-sp of same corner V as joined for underarm, dc in same ch as beg, hdc in top of beg ch, turn.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 3, sk extra dc, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, make Leaf in leaf, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, sk extra dc, dc in same ch-sp as beg, hdc in top of beg ch, turn.

**Rnd 3:** Ch 3, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, make Leaf in leaf, V in next 5 (6, 7) V, dc in same ch-sp as beg, hdc in top of beg ch, turn – 11 (13, 15) Vs plus leaf.

**Rnds 4-17:** Repeat Rnd 3. Size M only, omit last hdc, instead ch 2, sl st in top of beg ch, sl st in next dc, sl st in next ch-sp, turn.

#### Ruffle Trim

Beg leaf repeats all around sleeve, 6 (7, 8) repeats total.

**Rnd 18:** Ch 5, CL in same ch-sp, ch 3, V in next V, [make Leaf in next V, V in next V] to next leaf, make Leaf in leaf, V in next V, [make leaf in next

V, V in next V] to end, ch 3, CL in same ch-sp as beg, ch 2, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch, turn.

**Rnd 19:** Ch 5, CL in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, [V in next V, make Leaf in next leaf] 5 (6, 7) times, V in next V, ch 3, CL in next ch-2 sp of same leaf as beg, ch 2, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch, turn.

**Rnd 20-22:** Repeat Rnd 19.

**Rnd 23:** Work same as body Ruffle Trim Rnd 7, fasten off.

Make sleeve on other armhole same way.

Weave ends. Lightly steam block.

## FINISHING

Make a double-button link for front closure.

**Note:** To crochet over a bone ring, make sc by inserting hook in next sc and into center of ring each time.

Button (1 1/4" diam, make 2)

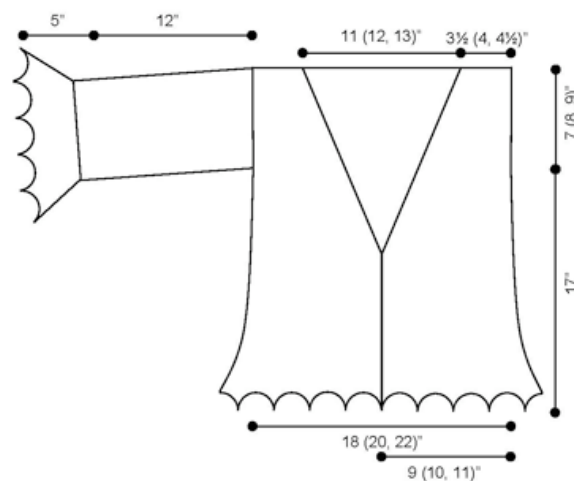
**Rnd 1 (RS):** Using H-8 smaller hook, leaving several inches tail, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in beg sc, bringing tail to RS of work – 6 sc.

**Rnd 2:** With RS still facing, hold a 7/8" bone ring in back of work, ch 1, 3 sc in each sc, working over bone ring each time, sl st in beg sc, fasten off, leaving several inches tail – 18 sc.

RS of work is back of button. Thread ending tail on blunt yarn needle, stitch into center of button, knot two tails tog tightly.

To connect 2 buttons for double-button link: Using one tail from one button, ch 6, using one tail from a second button, sl st back in each ch, knot tog 2 tails at back of each button. Weave ends into WS center of each button.

Use corresponding ch-sps in left and right fronts as buttonholes, positioning closure high or low as desired.



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