

Christening Set

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*Start your baby's
spiritual life
in this delicate
four-piece set.*





SIZE: Blanket is 32" x 36". Dress, Bonnet and Booties fit 0-6 mos.

STITCHES USED: Chain, single crochet, double crochet, treble crochet, treble cluster, block, mesh, slip stitch. See Crochet Basics (page 47) for stitch illustrations.

GAUGE: 17 sc = 2"; 3 mesh or block = 1"; 9 sc **back lp** rows = 1"; 7 mesh rows = 2".

MATERIALS: *Size 10 crochet cotton — 3,500 yds. white; 3 $\frac{2}{3}$ yds. white $\frac{1}{4}$ " satin ribbon; 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ yds. white 2" gathered lace; 2 purchased 2" bows with glitter white rose arrangement; 2 glitter white $\frac{3}{8}$ " ribbon roses with glitter white leaves; 316 crystal 6-mm faceted beads; 3 white $\frac{3}{8}$ " pearl shank buttons; two 10" x 42" strips of white polyester fabric; 16" white $\frac{1}{4}$ " elastic; 5 size 4/0 snaps; white sewing thread; sewing and tapestry needles; No. 5 steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge.

*This project was made using South Maid® by Coats & Clark.

SKILL LEVEL: ★★ Average

INSTRUCTIONS

DRESS

Front Bodice

Row 1: Ch 31, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across, turn (30 sc). Front of row 1 is right side of work.

NOTE: Work remaining rows in **back lps** only.

Rows 2-19: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 20: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, sc in each st across, turn (29).

Row 21: Ch 1, sc in each st across leaving last st unworked for **neck shaping**, turn (28).

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Rows 22-26: Repeat rows 20 and 21 alternately, ending with row 20 and 23 sc in last row.

Rows 27-46: Repeat row 2.

Row 47: Ch 1, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st, turn (24).

Row 48: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across, turn (25).

Rows 49-53: Repeat rows 47 and 48 alternately, ending with row 47 and 30 sc in last row.

Rows 54-72: Repeat row 2. At end of last row, fasten off.

Left Back Bodice

Row 1: Ch 31, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across, turn (30 sc).

Rows 2-19: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 20-24: Working in both lps, repeat rows 20 and 21 of Front Bodice alternately, ending with row 20 and 25 sc in last row.

Rows 25-37: Repeat row 2.

Row 38: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts; for buttonhole, ch 2, skip next 2 sts; (sc in next 7 sts; for buttonhole, ch 2, skip next 2 sts) 2 times, sc in last 3 sts, turn (19 sc, 3 buttonholes).

Row 39: Ch 1, sc in each st and 2 sc in each ch sp across, turn (25 sc).

Row 40: Repeat row 2. Fasten off.

Right Back Bodice

Row 1: Ch 31, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across, turn (30 sc).

Rows 2-19: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 20: Ch 1, sc in each st across leaving last st unworked for neck shaping, turn. (29).

Row 21: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, sc in each st across, turn (28).

Rows 22-24: Repeat rows 20 and 21 alternately, ending with row 20 and 25 sc in last row.

Rows 25-40: Repeat row 2. At end of last row, fasten off.

Skirt

Row 1: With straight edge of wrong side on each Bodice piece facing you, working in ends of rows, join with sc in 5th row of Left Back Bodice, sc in next 35 rows; for armhole, ch 15; sc in next 72 rows on Front Bodice; for armhole, ch 15; sc in last 40 rows on Right Back Bodice, turn (148 sc, 2 ch-15 sps).

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in each st and in each ch across, turn (178 dc).

Row 3: Ch 4, dc in same st, ch 1, (dc in next st, ch 1) across to last st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in last st, turn (180 dc, 179 ch-1 sps).

Rnd 4: Working in rnds, ch 3, 2 dc in next ch sp, dc in next dc, *(ch 2, dc in next dc) 5 times, 2 dc in next ch sp, dc in next dc; repeat from * around to last 4 dc, (ch 2, dc in next dc) 4 times; to join, dc in top of ch-3 (150 ch-2 sps, 30 4-dc groups).

NOTES: For block, 2 dc in next ch sp, dc in next dc, or, dc in next 3 dc.

For beginning mesh (beg mesh), ch 5, skip next ch sp or next 2 dc, dc in next st.

For mesh, ch 2, skip next ch sp or next 2 dc, dc in next st.

Rnd 5: Ch 3, 2 dc around joining dc, dc in next st, 2 blocks, 3 mesh, (3 blocks, 3 mesh) around, join with sl st in top of ch-3 (90 mesh, 90 blocks).

Rnd 6: Beg mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) around to last 4 mesh or blocks, 4 mesh, join with sl st in 3rd ch of ch-5.

Rnd 7: Beg mesh, mesh around, join (180 mesh).

Rnd 8: Beg mesh, 3 mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) around to last mesh, mesh, join.

Rnd 9: Beg mesh, 2 mesh, 3 blocks, (3 mesh, 3 blocks) around, join.

Rnd 10: Repeat rnd 8.

Rnd 11: Repeat rnd 7.

Rnd 12: Beg mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) around to last 4 mesh, 4 mesh, join.

NOTE: For beginning block (beg block), ch 3, 2 dc in next ch sp, dc in next st, or, ch 3, dc in next 3 dc.

Rnd 13: Beg block, 2 blocks, 3 mesh, (3 blocks, 3 mesh) around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnds 14-27: Repeat rnds 6-13 consecutively, ending with rnd 11.

Rnd 28: Ch 5, dc in next dc, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in next ch sp, dc in next dc, *(ch 2, dc in next dc) 2 times, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in next ch sp, dc in next dc; repeat from * around, ch 2, join with sl st in 3rd ch of ch-5 (120 ch-2 sps, 60 ch-5 sps).

Rnd 29: Ch 5, dc in next dc, 11 tr in next ch-5 sp, skip next 2 dc, dc in next dc, *(ch 2, dc in next dc) 2 times, 11 tr in next ch-5 sp, skip next 2 dc, dc in next dc; repeat from * around to last ch sp, ch 2, join with sl st in 3rd ch of ch-5.

Rnd 30: Ch 3, skip next dc, tr in next tr, (ch 1, tr in next tr) 10 times, skip next dc, *dc in next dc, tr in next tr, (ch 1, tr in next tr) 10 times, skip next dc; repeat from * around, join with sl st in top of ch-3. Fasten off.

NOTES: Thread 60 beads onto crochet cotton, push back along thread until needed.

For beginning treble cluster

(beg tr cl), ch 4, *yo 2 times, insert hook in same sp, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times; repeat from *, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

For treble cluster (tr cl), yo 2 times, insert hook in next ch sp, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times, *yo 2 times, insert hook in same sp, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times; repeat from *, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Rnd 31: Join with sl st in first ch sp, beg tr cl, (ch 2, tr cl in next ch sp) 9 times, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, *tr cl in next ch sp, (ch 2, tr cl in next ch sp) 9 times, ch 1, pull up 1 bead, ch 1; repeat from * around, join with sl st in top of beg tr cl. Fasten off.

Matching ends of rows, sew first 19 rows on shoulder seams together on each side.

Neck Edging

NOTES: Thread 20 beads onto crochet cotton, push back along thread until needed.

Row 1: Working in ends of rows across neck edging, with wrong side of work facing you, join with sl st in first row on Right Back Bodice, ch 4, skip next row, dc in next row, (ch 1, skip next row, dc in next row) 9 times, ch 1, dc in next seam, ch 1, (dc in next row, ch 1, skip next row) 17 times, dc in next seam, ch 1, dc in next row, (ch 1, skip next row, dc in next row) 10 times, turn (41 dc, 40 ch-1 sps).

Row 2: Sl st in first 2 ch sps, ch 3, (dc, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, 2 dc) in same sp, *skip next ch sp, (2 dc, ch 1, pull up one bead,

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ch 1, 2 dc) in next ch sp; repeat from * across. Fasten off.

Sleeve Edging

NOTES: Thread 29 beads onto crochet cotton, push back along thread until needed.

Rnd 1: Working around one armhole, with wrong side of work facing you, join with sc in indentation between Bodice and ch-15 sp, ch 3, skip next ch, (sc in next ch, ch 3, skip next ch) 7 times, sc in next indentation, ch 3, sc in next st, (ch 3, skip next 2 sts, sc in next st) 19 times; to join, dc in first sc (29 ch sps).

Rnds 2-12: Ch 1, sc around joining dc, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) around, join as before.

Rnd 13: Sl st in first ch sp, ch 6, dc in same sp, (dc, ch 3, dc) in each ch sp around, join with sl st in 3rd ch of ch-6.

Rnd 14: Sl st in first ch sp, ch 3, (dc, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, 2 dc) in same sp, (2 dc, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, 2 dc) in each ch sp around, join with sl st in top of ch-3. Fasten off.

Repeat on other armhole.

Finishing

1: Sew buttons to Right Back Bodice opposite buttonholes.

2: Cut 2 pieces of ribbon each 20" long. Starting at top of Sleeve, weave one piece through every other (dc, ch 3, dc) group on rnd 13 of each Sleeve. Tie ends into a bow.

3: Weave 50" piece of ribbon through every other 2 dc on rnd 2 of Skirt, pull ends even. Tie knot in each end of ribbon.

4: Sew 2" bow with glitter white rose arrangement over center front of Bodice.

Slip

1: Holding fabric right sides together, with $\frac{3}{8}$ " seam allowance, sew one short end on each piece together.

2: For waistband, press $\frac{1}{8}$ " of one long edge to wrong side, stitch in place. Fold again to wrong side $\frac{1}{2}$ ", stitch in place close to edge. Thread elastic through waistband, secure.

3: Press $\frac{1}{4}$ " of remaining long edge to wrong side. Sew bound edge of lace to bottom edge of Slip over $\frac{1}{4}$ " fold. Sew remaining short ends of Slip together leaving 3" unsewn at waistband. Sew snaps to each end of waistband.

4: Sew remaining snaps evenly spaced around waistband on slip and evenly spaced around inside of rnd 2 on Skirt.

BONNET

Row 1: Ch 98, dc in 8th ch from hook, (ch 2, skip next 2 chs, dc in next ch) across, turn (32 dc, 31 ch-2 sps).

Row 2: Beg mesh (see Note on page 26), 29 blocks, mesh, turn (29 blocks, 2 mesh).

Row 3: Beg mesh, block, 27 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 4: Beg mesh, block, 4 mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) 3 times, 4 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 5: Beg mesh, block, 3 mesh, (3 blocks, 3 mesh) 4 times, block, mesh, turn.

Row 6: Repeat row 4.

Row 7: Repeat row 3.

Row 8: Beg mesh, block, mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) 4 times, mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 9: Beg mesh, block, mesh, 2 blocks, 3 mesh, (3 blocks, 3 mesh) 3 times, 2 blocks, mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 10: Beg mesh, block, mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) 4 times, mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Rows 11-18: Repeat rows 3-10. At end of last row, fasten off.

Row 19: Skip first 17 dc and 8 ch sps; for back, join with sl st in next dc, beg mesh, 8 mesh leaving remaining sts unworked, turn (9 mesh).

Row 20: Beg mesh, block, 5 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 21: Beg block (see Note on page 27), 2 blocks, 3 mesh, 3 blocks, turn.

Row 22: Beg mesh, block, 5 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 23: Beg mesh, mesh across, turn.

Row 24: Beg mesh, 3 mesh, block, 4 mesh, turn.

Row 25: Beg mesh, 2 mesh, 3 block, 3 mesh, turn.

Row 26: Repeat row 24.

Row 27: Repeat row 23.

Row 28: Beg block, block across, turn.

Row 29: Repeat row 23. Fasten off.

Sew ends of rows on back to unworked mesh and blocks on row 18.

Edging

Working around outer edge of Bonnet; working in starting ch on opposite side of row 1, join with sl st in first ch sp, ch 3, 8 tr in same sp, sc in next ch sp, (8 tr in next ch sp, sc in next ch sp) across to last ch sp, (8 tr, 3 dc) in last ch sp; working in ends of rows, dc in top of dc on row 1, (2 dc in next row, dc in top of dc on same row) 17 times; working across last row of

back, (2 dc in next ch sp, dc in next st) 9 times; working in ends of rows, 2 dc in next row, (dc in top of dc on next row, 2 dc in same row) 16 times, dc in top of dc on last row, dc in same row, join with sl st in top of ch-3. Fasten off.

Ruffle

NOTE: Thread 14 beads onto crochet cotton, push back along thread until needed.

Row 1: Working in starting ch on opposite side of row 1 in worked ch-2 sps between sts, with scalloped edge towards you, join with sc in first ch-2 sp, ch 2, sc in same sp, (ch 2, sc in next ch-2 sp) across, turn (32 sc, 31 ch-2 sps).

Row 2: Sl st in first ch sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, 6 tr in next ch sp, (dc in next ch sp, 6 tr in next ch sp) across to last ch sp, sc in last ch sp, turn (15 6-tr groups, 14 dc, 2 sc).

Row 3: Ch 1, tr cl (see Note on page 27) in first tr, (ch 2, tr cl in next tr) 5 times, *ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, tr cl in next tr, (ch 2, tr cl in next tr) 5 times; repeat from * across to last sc, ch 1, sl st in last sc. Fasten off.

Tack ends of row 3 to Edging.

Finishing

1: Weave 24" piece of ribbon through mesh and ch sps across bottom edge of Bonnet; pull ends, even. Tie knot in each end.

2: Sew 2" bow with glitter white rose arrangement over center of rows 16-19 on back of Bonnet.

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Instep

Row 1: Starting at toe, ch 13, sc

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in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across, turn (12 sc).

Rows 2-12: Working these rows in **back lps** only, ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. At end of last row, fasten off.

Sides

Row 1: Ch 16; working in ends of rows across **Instep**, join with sc in row 12, sc in next 11 rows; working in starting ch on opposite side of row 1, sc in next 12 chs, sc in next 12 rows, ch 17, turn (36 sc, 33 chs).

Row 2: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch and in each st across, turn (68 sc).

Rows 3-5: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, sc in next 25 sts, (sc next 2 sts tog) 3 times, sc in next 2 sts, (sc next 2 sts tog) 3 times, sc in next 25 sts, sc last 2 sts tog, turn (60).

Row 10: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, sc in next 26 sts, (sc next 2 sts tog) 2 times, sc in next 26 sts, sc last 2 sts tog, turn (56).

Row 11: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, (sc in next 25 sts, sc next 2 sts tog) 2 times, turn (53).

Row 12: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc last 2 sts tog, turn. Leaving long end for sewing, fasten off.

Fold last row in half; matching sts, sew sole seam; matching ends of rows, sew heel seam.

Cuff

NOTE: Thread 15 beads onto crochet cotton, push back along thread until needed.

Rnd 1: Working in opposite side

of ch on row 1 of Sides and in sts on last row of **Instep**, join with sl st in first ch after heel seam, ch 4, skip next ch, (dc in next ch or st, (ch 1, skip next ch or st) around, join with sl st in 3rd ch of ch-4, turn (22 dc, 22 ch-1 sps).

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in each ch sp and in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-3, turn (44 dc).

Rnds 3-5: Ch 3, dc in each st around, join, turn.

NOTE: For **tr next 2 sts tog**, *yo 2 times, insert hook in next st, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times; repeat from *, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

For **tr next 3 sts tog**, *yo 2 times, insert hook in next st, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times; repeat from * 2 more times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Rnd 6: Ch 4, tr next 2 sts tog, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, (tr next 3 sts tog, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1) 13 times, *yo 2 times, insert hook in next st, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times; repeat from *, yo 2 times, insert hook in same st as first ch-4, yo, draw lp through, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 2 times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, join with sl st in top of first ch-4. Fasten off.

Finishing

Cut piece of ribbon 9" long. Starting at center front, weave through ch sps of rnd 1 on Cuff.

Sew ribbon rose to center of **Instep** over rows 6-9.

BLANKET

Row 1: Ch 266, dc in 8th ch from

hook, (ch 2, skip next 2 chs, dc in next ch) across, turn (87 mesh).

Row 2: Beg mesh (see Note on page 26), 85 blocks (see Note on page 26), mesh, turn.

Row 3: Beg mesh, block, 83 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 4: Beg mesh, block, 2 mesh, block, (5 mesh, block) 13 times, 2 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 5: Beg mesh, block, mesh, 3 blocks, (3 mesh, 3 blocks) 13 times, mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 6: Repeat row 4.

Row 7: Repeat row 3.

Row 8: Beg mesh, block, 5 mesh, (block, 5 mesh) 13 times, block, mesh, turn.

Row 9: Beg mesh, block, 4 mesh, 3 blocks, (3 mesh, 3 blocks) 12 times, 4 mesh, block, mesh, turn.

Row 10: Repeat row 8.

Rows 11-111: Repeat rows 3-10 consecutively, ending with row 7.

Row 112: Repeat row 2.

Row 113: Beg mesh, mesh across, **do not turn**. Fasten off.

RUFFLE

Rnd 1: Working around outer edge, join with sl st in first corner mesh, (ch 3, 2 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in same sp; work remaining rnd in following steps:

Step 1: *(ch 2, skip next ch sp, dc in next st) 2 times, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in next ch sp, dc in next st; repeat from * 27 more times, ch 2, skip next ch sp, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in next corner mesh;

Step 2: working in ends of rows, *(ch 2, dc in top of next row) 2 times, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in next row, dc in top of same row;

repeat from * 36 more times, ch 2, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in next corner mesh;

Step 3: working in starting ch on opposite side of row 1, *(ch 2, skip next ch-2 sp, dc in next ch) 2 times, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next ch; repeat from * 27 more times, ch 2, (3 dc, ch 5, 3 dc) in next corner mesh;

Step 4: working in ends of rows, *(ch 2, dc in top of next row) 2 times, (2 dc, ch 5, 2 dc) in next row, dc in top of same row; repeat from * 36 more times, ch 2, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, 11 tr in next corner ch sp, *skip next 2 sts, dc in next st, (ch 1, dc in next dc) 2 times, 11 tr in next ch sp*; [repeat between ** 65 more times, skip next 2 sts, dc in next st, ch 1, dc in next ch sp, ch 1, dc in next dc], 11 tr in next ch sp; repeat between [], join.

Rnd 3: Sl st in next tr, ch 5, tr in next tr, (ch 1, tr in next tr) 9 times, skip next dc, dc in next dc, skip next dc, *tr in next tr, (ch 1, tr in next tr) 10 times, skip next dc, dc in next dc, skip next dc; repeat from * around, join with sl st in 4th ch of ch-5. Fasten off.

NOTES: Thread 134 beads onto crochet cotton, push back along thread until needed.

Rnd 4: Join with sl st in first ch sp, beg tr cl (see Note on page 27), (ch 2, tr cl—see Note on page 27) in next ch sp) 9 times, ch 1, pull up one bead, ch 1, tr cl in next ch sp; (ch 2, tr cl in next ch sp) 9 times, ch 1, pull up 1 bead, ch 1, join with sl st in top of beg tr cl. Fasten off.♥