

Hepburn Sweater Dress

This stylish dress looks great with a fun pair of tights or leggings. It features (optional) fully functional pockets and fun details such as a graduated section of textured stitches along the bottom hem, as well as textured stitches on the pockets. The Hepburn Sweater Dress comes in eight sizes and can easily be customized for all seasons.



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YARN

6 (7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13) skeins of [Red Heart Colorscape](#)- Sample uses [Bangkok](#)

OR 1030 (1240, 1400, 1590, 1780, 1970, 2160, 2340) yards of comparable worsted weight yarn (check gauge)

MATERIALS

J/6.0mm hook- I used my [Green Apple Candy Shop](#) from Furls Crochet

Stitch markers (6)

2 1 ¼" buttons (optional- for pockets)

SKILL LEVEL

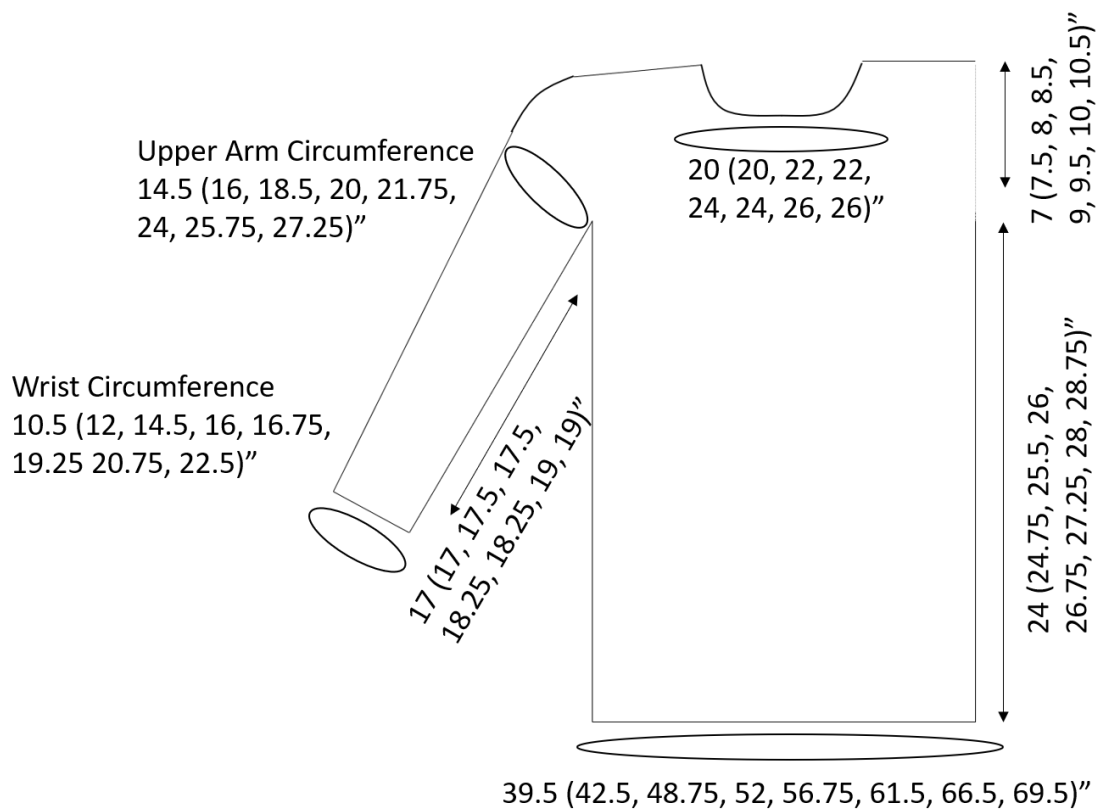
Easy to Intermediate

SIZES- follows CYC Standard Sizes- for more information click [here](#)

Small through 5x

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

See schematic for finished measurements



GAUGE

10 sts and 6 rows = 4" in dc

Start swatch with a fdc

NOTES

- The ch 3 at the beg of each row will count as the first dc. This means that the next dc you make should be placed in the 2nd st of the row
- Ch 3 can be substituted with a CSDS (see OPTIONAL SPECIAL STITCHES)
Some design features, such as pockets and decorative post stitches at the hem are optional.

STITCH GUIDE

Ch(s) – Chain(s), sc – single crochet, dc – double crochet, Rnd(s) – Round(s), sl st – slip stitch, sp(s) – space(s), st(s) – stitch(es), blo – back loop only

SPECIAL STITCHES

Fdc- Foundation Double Crochet

Chain 2 (does not count as a st), yarn over (YO) and insert hook in 2nd chain from hook, *YO and pull up loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through 1 loop creating a chain st, (this is an important step but easy to forget), YO again and pull through first two loops on hook (two loops remaining), YO again and pull through last two loops on hook. This completes the first fdc; to stitch the next fdc, yarn over and insert the hook into the chain made in the first fdc and repeat from * to desired length.

Exdc- Extended Double Crochet

Yarn over (YO), insert hook in st, YO and pull through st (3 loops on hook), YO and draw through one loop, [YO and draw through two loops] 2x.

Fp-exdc- Front Post Extended Double Crochet

Same as exdc except instead of crocheting in the normal space you insert hook under post in previous round (from front to back)

Bp-exdc- Back Post Extended Double Crochet

Same as exdc except instead of crocheting in the normal space you insert hook under post in previous round (from back to front)

OPTIONAL SPECIAL STITCHES

CSDC- Chainless Starting Double Crochet

If working in rows, turn work. If working in rounds spin hook completely around, making a

twist in the loop. Pull up a loop to the height of a normal dc. YO with the loop so that the hook is behind the loop. Insert the hook into the first st of row. Complete a normal dc (YO and draw through st (3 loops on hook), YO and draw through first two loops on hook. YO and draw through last two loops on hook).

SDC- Standing Double Crochet

Begin with slip knot on hook, YO, insert hook in stitch, and work like a normal dc (YO, draw through first two loops, YO, draw through last two loops).

PATTERN

YOKE

Rnd 1 (RS): Fdc 66 (66, 70, 70, 74, 74, 78, 78), sl st into the top of the first fdc (skipping over the unused ch-2 at the beginning) to join into a circle– the open space left at the join will be seamed closed and stitched over during finishing, turn

Rnd 2: Ch 3 or CSDS (counts as 1 dc here and throughout), dc in each of next 10 (10, 11, 11, 12, 12, 13, 13) sts, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in next st (raglan corner made), dc in each of next 9 sts, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in the next st (raglan corner made), dc in each of the next 22 (22, 24, 24, 26, 26, 28, 28), (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in the next st (raglan corner made), dc in each of the next 9 sts, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in the next st (raglan corner made), dc in each of the last 11 (11, 12, 12, 13, 13, 14, 14) sts, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn, <78 (78, 82, 82, 86, 86, 90, 90) sts and 4 ch-1 sps> – *mark the top of the sts where you placed the four raglan corners, these will be used later for finishing the neckline but can be ignored for now*

Next 0 (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) Rnds: Ch 3 or CSDS, * dc in each st to ch-1 sp, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in ch-1 sp; rep from * 3 more times, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <xx (94, 114, 130, 150, 166, 186, 202) and 4 ch-1 corner sps>

Next 10 Rnds: Ch 3 or CSDS, * dc in each st to ch-1 sp, (dc, ch 1, dc) in ch-1 sp; rep from * 3 more times, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <158(174, 194, 210, 230, 246, 266, 282) and 4 ch-1 corner sps>

BODY and SEPARATING for SLEEVES

Next Rnd: Ch 3 or CSDS, * dc in each st to ch-1 sp, dc in the ch-1 sp, working off the base of the last dc, fdc 1 (1, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5, 5) times (these sts will be referred to as underarm sts in the sleeve section of the pattern), begin an additional fdc as follows; working into the ch of the previous fdc, YO and pull up loop (3 loops on hook), insert hook into the next ch-1 sp (skipping the unworked sts in between) yarn over and pull through the ch -1 sp (four loops on hook), YO and pull through first three loops on hook (two loops remaining), YO again and pull through last two loops on hook; repeat from * one time, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <98 (106, 122, 130, 142, 154, 166, 174)>

Mark the 4 sts placed in the ch-1 sps. The unworked sts will become the sleeves.

Next 16 (17, 16, 17, 16, 17, 16, 17) Rnds: dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <98 (106, 122, 130, 142, 154, 166, 174)>

OPTIONAL POCKETS

Determine, and mark, the center point of the front (this will correspond with the seam in the back). Count, and mark, 8 (9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15) sts out from that center point on either side. Remove the center marker. Continuing towards the outside edge; count and mark 11 sts from either marker. These marked sts (including the markers themselves) will be skipped to form your pockets (for a total of 13 skipped sts). If you prefer to not make pockets, simply work the next round evenly as previous rounds.

Next Rnd: Ch 3 or CSDS, *dc in each st around, when you reach the st marker, (working into the base of the last dc) fdc 12, begin an additional fdc as follows; working into the ch of the previous fdc, YO and pull up loop (3 loops on hook), insert hook into the next st after the stitch marker (skipping the unworked sts in between) yarn over and pull through the st (four loops on hook), YO and pull through first three loops on hook (two loops remaining), YO again and pull through last two loops on hook; repeat from * one time more, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn *Move up the last marked st (this will correspond with the last st of the left pocket), remove the other 3 st markers.*

Next 3 Rnds: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn *Move up the st marker for each row.*

You will now begin the decorative post stitches at the hem. The stitch count will remain the same as previous rows. Each round will convert one dc to a post st. If you do not wish to add this decorative feature, you can work evenly as in previous rows.

Decorative Rnd 1: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to the marked st, fp-exdc in the marked st, move up the stitch marker, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <st count does not change, but 1 dc is converted to post st>

Decorative Rnd 2: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to the marked st, bp-exdc in the marked st, dc in the next st, bp-exdc in the next st, move stitch marker to this stitch, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <2 post sts>

Decorative Rnd 3: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to 2 sts before the marked st, fp-exdc in next st, [dc in the next st, fp-exdc in the next st] 2x, move stitch marker to last fp-exdc made, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <3 post sts>

Decorative Rnd 4: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to the marked st, bp-exdc in the marked st, [dc in the next st, bp-exdc in the next st] 3x, dc in next 2 sts, move stitch marker to second dc, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <4 post sts>

Decorative Rnd 5: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to the marked st, fp-exdc in the marked st, [dc in the next st, fp-exdc in the next st] 4x, place stitch marker in first and last fp-exdc, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <5 post sts>

Decorative Rnd 6: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to the marked st, bp-exdc in the marked st, move st marker up, *dc in the next st, bp-exdc in the next st; repeat from * to marked st working last bp-exdc in marked st, repeat from * one time more, place st marker in bp-exdc just made, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <6 post sts>

Decorative Rnd 7: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to 2 sts before the marked st, fp-exdc, [dc in the next st, fp-exdc in the next st] until the last st marker working last fp-exdc in marked st, place stitch marker in first and last fp-exdc, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn <7 posts>

Repeat last 2 Rnds: Consecutively 3 (3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6) times (or until 1” from desired length) *you will be adding one post st on each round, always added on the right side of the dress.*

Final Decorative Rnd: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around to the marked st, bp-exdc in the marked st, move st marker up, *dc in the next st, bp-exdc in the next st; repeat from * to

marked st working last bp-exdc in marked st, repeat from * one time more, place st marker in bp-exdc just made, dc in each st to end, sl st in top of beg ch 3 or CSDS, turn

Next Rnd: Ch 1, sc in the first st and every st around, sl st in top of the first sc, skipping over the ch-1.

Fasten off, remove stitch markers from hem

SLEEVES

Last round of sleeves was RS (WS, RS, WS, RS, WS, RS, WS). Start sleeve by working into the wrong side of your last round to maintain the look of turned rounds.

Rnd 1: Working into a wrong side sleeve row, join yarn with a Ch 3 or SDC in the center underarm st (this will be the 1st (1st, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd, 3rd, 3rd fdc you made), dc in the next 0 (0, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2) dcs, dc2tog over the marked st and the next st, dc in each st around until one st before the next marked st, dc2tog over the next st and the marked st

Rnds 2-3: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around, sl st in top of the CSDS OR ch-3, turn

Rnd 4: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc in each st around, sl st in top of the CSDS OR ch-3, turn

Rnd 5: Ch 3 or CSDS, dc2tog, dc in each st around, sl st in top of CSDS or ch-3, turn

Next 14 (14, 14, 14, 16, 16, 16, 16) Rnds: Repeat last 2 rounds

You will now begin the decorative post stitches for the sleeves. For sizes S, L, 2x and 4x, do NOT turn at the end of the last row, you will continue stitching on the RS. For sizes M, XL, 3X, 5X, you WILL turn before proceeding so that you will be stitching on the RS.

Next 5 (5, 6, 6, 5, 5, 6, 6) Rnds: Ch 3 or CSDS, ex-fpdc in the next st, *dc in the next st, ex-fpdc in the next st; repeat from * around, sl st in top of CSDS or ch-3, do not turn

Next Rnd: Ch 1, sc in the first st and every st around, sl st in top of the first sc, skipping over the ch-1.

Fasten off

Repeat for Second Sleeve

FINISHING

NECKLINE

Rnd 1: Attach yarn by sl st at the back seam, ch 1 and sc in the first st, *sc in each st to the st marker, sc3tog over the st before the marked st, the marked st and the st after the marked st; repeat from * around, sc in each st to end, sl st in the first sc, skipping over the ch-1, ch 1, turn <58 (58, 62, 62, 66, 66, 70, 70)>

Rnds 2-3: sc in the first st, sc in each st to end, sl st in the first sc, skipping over the ch-1, ch 1, turn <58 (58, 62, 62, 66, 66, 70, 70)>

Fasten off

LINE THE POCKETS

Cut a piece of fabric or felt or crochet a rectangle 6” wide x 7-8” long (your preference depending on how deep you want your pocket to be). Turn the dress inside out and surface st behind the pocket opening, starting 2 rows above the opening. I used felt with regular thread because I didn’t want the pocket area to be bulky.

OPTIONAL POCKET FLAPS

Row 1: Lay the dress flat so that the hem is towards the bottom, join yarn with a sl st and ch 3 or a SDC in the first st of either pocket on the row above the opening, ex-fpdc in the next st, *dc in the next st, ex-fpdc in the next st; repeat from * 4x, dc in the last st of the pocket opening, turn <13>

Row 2: Ch 3 or CSDS, ex-bpdc in the next st, *dc in the next st, ex-bpdc in the next st; repeat from * one time more, ch 1, skip one st, ex-bpdc in the next st; repeat from * 2x more, dc in the last st <12 sts and one ch-1>

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in the first st and each st to end <13>

Sew a button in the center of the row below the pocket opening.

Fasten off, repeat for second pocket. Weave in all ends and enjoy your new sweater dress. I paired mine with a fun pair of tights and some cute booties but this design would also look great with leggings and some adorable flats or high boots.

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