SUMMER DIAMOND TANK PATTERN











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Pattern Description

This is a tank top pattern inspired by the Summer Diamonds Toddler Dress by ChiWei of One Dog Woof http://www.1dogwoof.com/summer-diamonds-toddler-dress/

I originally wanted a swim suit cover up & did not like how see-through & holey the mesh ones were – I wanted more coverage, so I made a long tank using the diamond pattern. This could have been made shorter to be a summer top.

I would have preferred this tank to be a bit lighter in weight – for that I would need to make another one in a finer/lighter weight yarn but I do love the feel of the silk/bamboo. Depending on the locale, it may be too warm – even over a swim suit. Regardless it is a nice, summer tank that offers modest coverage.

For this project, I used 6 skeins of Patons Silk Bamboo, a category 3 yarn, in ivory and a 5 mm hook.

The measurements of my finished garment are equivalent to a ladies size small.
They are:

16.5 inches across (laying flat) – armpit to armpit
20 inches long (laying flat) – top of underarm hole to bottom hem.

Pattern Notes

The tank body is made out of 1 large rectangle that is sewn or sc'd together in the centre back.

The diamond pattern that I used from One Dog Woof consists of a 14+1 multiple. For mine, it was 99 stitches. To make smaller or larger, make your starting foundation, a multiple of 14+1.

The neck hole is a circle that is joined to the front and back of the body part using sc's. Determine how many stitches you want to attach to the front centre and the back centre. I attached more in the front than I did with the back. The armholes are determined by the number of unattached stitches. Gravity will make the body of the tank hang & thereby create the arm holes. You may have to experiment with number of stitches so that the arm holes are not too big & the tank hangs as low or as high as you want.

Abbreviations

- sl st – slip stitch
- ch – chain stitch
- sc – single crochet
- dc – double crochet

Written Pattern

Body

Row 0: Work 99 foundation double crochet. Turn.

Use 1 Dog Woof's diamond pattern:

Row 1: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 6 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in next st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 11 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in next st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 6 st. Turn.

Row 2: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 9 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 4 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 7 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 4 st. Turn.

Row 4: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 7 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 7 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Turn.

Row 5: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 2 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 9 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 9 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 2 st. Turn.

Row 6: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in next st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 11 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in next st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 11 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in next st. Turn.

Row 7: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 2 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 9 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 9 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 2 st. Turn.

Row 8: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 7 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 7 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Turn.

Row 9: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 4 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 7 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 4 st. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 2. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Work [Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 9 st.] until near the end. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 3 st. Ch 1, skip 1 st. Work 1 dc in each of next 5 st. Turn.

Continue this pattern (rows 1-10) until you have reached the desired length of the body (underarm to bottom hem). In order for the pattern to look more “finished”, it is desirable to end either after row 1 or row 6 as it makes a complete diamond.

Finish with a row of dc all around.

When finished, you will need to join the 2 vertical ends to make a tube. Either leave a long end & cut & use a needle to sew together or pin together & sc together. Fasten off & weave in ends.

Neck piece:

Row 0: Work 121 foundation single crochet stitches. Join to first single crochet stitch so as to make a loop

Row 1: Ch 1. Starting in same stitch, work 1 sc in each stitch around. Join to first sc with slip stitch.

Row 2: Ch 2 (does not count as stitch). Starting in same stitch, work 1 dc in each stitch around. Join to first dc with slip stitch.

Row 3: Ch 1. Starting in same stitch, work 1 sc in each stitch around. Join to first sc with slip stitch.

Pin neck piece to front centre, the number of stitches you want to attach. For my tank it was 39 stitches, centred with the diamonds. Pin the back of the neck piece to the back centre – the number of stitches you want to attach. For my tank it was 30 stitches. This left 26 stitches unattached for the arm holes. I pinned it with the first stitch attached to the front of the tank.

Row 4: Ch 1. Sc together the neck piece and the tank front using the number of stitches needed (39). Sc 26 in the neck piece by itself (this is the arm hole). SC together the neck piece and the tank tank using the number of stitches needed (30). Sc 26 in the neck piece by itself (this is the other arm hole). Join to the first sc with slip stitch. Continue with neck line border.

Neck Line Border:

Row 1: Work [Sc, ch 6, skip 5, sc] all around. When you get to the end, sl st into the starting sc & 3 stitches in the ch

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I did 2 rows, but feel free to add a 3rd row.

Bottom Hem Border:

Work as neck line border. I did 3 rows.

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