

Royal Lace Vest – Free Crochet Pattern



For this project you will need 2 skeins of a soft 3 ply for the US or 8 ply for AU type yarn. The kind I used is microfiber acrylic. And each skein is 100 gram – 3.53 ounces and 260 meters – 284 yards. Also I used a 5 mm hook or size H hook for the US.

ch = chain

sc = single crochet

dc = double crochet

trc = triple crochet

sk # sts = Skip # Stitches

And turn = turn your work, we will be working over last row's stitches

() repeat what is in brackets # of times mentioned

*** repeat what is in between for the ROW**

You need to start with a full 72 stitches, then could in multiples of 36 until you get the size you want then add then chain 5 and begin. Multiple is $72 + 36 + 5$

I am making this vest to fit a small to medium size young woman as per her request it is made to not be closed, but open and hanging down. The pattern follows how I made it, if you want to adjust the size, increase as explained above.

To Start:

ch 113 – don't chain to loosely or tightly – If it helps go up one hook size just for this beginning chain.

Row 1

dc in 7th chain from the hook. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc) 3 times. * Ch 1, sk 3 sts, work these next stitches all in same stitch dc, ch 3, dc to complete your V stitch, then ch 1 and sk 3 sts, dc. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc) 7 times total. * repeat what is in *'s two more times then when you're ready to end the row:

End of the row:

(Worked after last V stitch of row) Ch 1, sk 3 sts, work these next stitches all in same stitch dc, ch 3, dc to complete your V stitch, then ch 1 and sk 3 sts, dc. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc) 3 times. Ch 1 and dc into last stitch.

* if you are making a larger size vest the repeat what is in between the stars until you reach the end, then complete the end of the row the same as shown above. After the last V stitch of the row.



You should have **9 spaces** in between each V stitch as shown in the third picture above.

Row 2

ch 6 and turn. Now we are going to be working in the center chain of our ch 3 spaces from last row. So dc into first middle ch of ch 3 .

*ch 3 and dc into next center ch 3. ch 2 and skip over next ch 3 space, we will be working on the V stitch from last row. In the first dc stitch of the V stitch, work 5 dc's all into the same stitch. Ch 1 and dc into center ch 3, dc 5 into next dc of V stitch. Ch 2, skip next ch 3 space area and dc into center ch of next. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat this 4 times total. * Repeat two more times then when you're ready to end the row:

End of the row:

(Worked after last dc 5 of row) ch 2 and skip over next ch 3 spaces, dc in next middle ch 3. ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3, ch 3, sk 3 sts, and dc into 5th ch of beginning ch 7 of last row. (counting from the bottom of the chain)

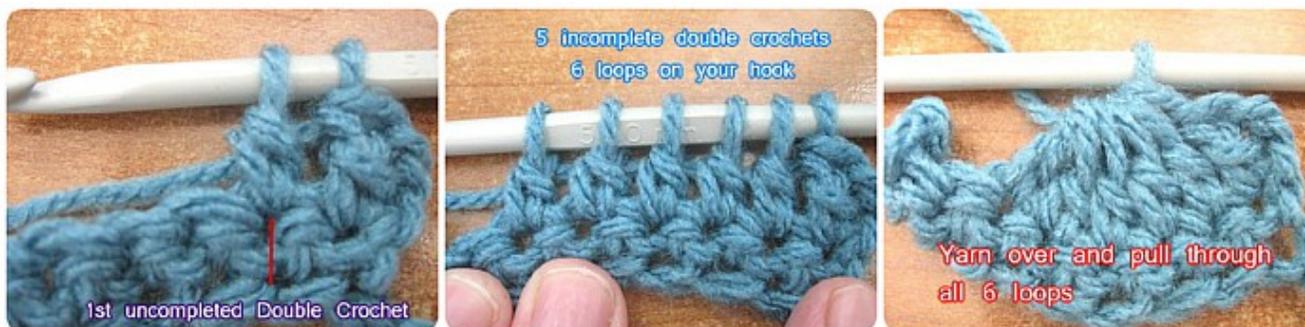


You should have **6 spaces** into between one dc 5 stitch to the next. As shown in last picture above.

Row 3

ch 4 and turn. dc into center ch of ch 3 space, ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3, ch 3, sk 3 sts, and dc **into 1st ch after dc**. * ch 3, cluster stitch using the next 5 stitches.

Don't know how? Here's a demo.



Pic 1, Working a dc as normal only don't yarn over and pull through the last loop, leave it on the hook and start to work your next dc into your next stitch and repeat as shown in **Pic 2**, once you have all 5 stitches half worked and 6 loops on your hook, yarn over and pull through all 6 loops as shown in **Pic 3**.

*To continue....*after you have made your first cluster. Ch 1 and dc 5 into next dc. Ch 1 and do a cluster stitch using the next 5 stitches. Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 5 times * Repeat two more times then when you're ready to end the row:

End of the row:

(Worked after last cluster of row) ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc **into 2nd ch after dc**, (ch 3,

sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) twice, ch 1 and dc into 13rd ch of beginning ch 6.



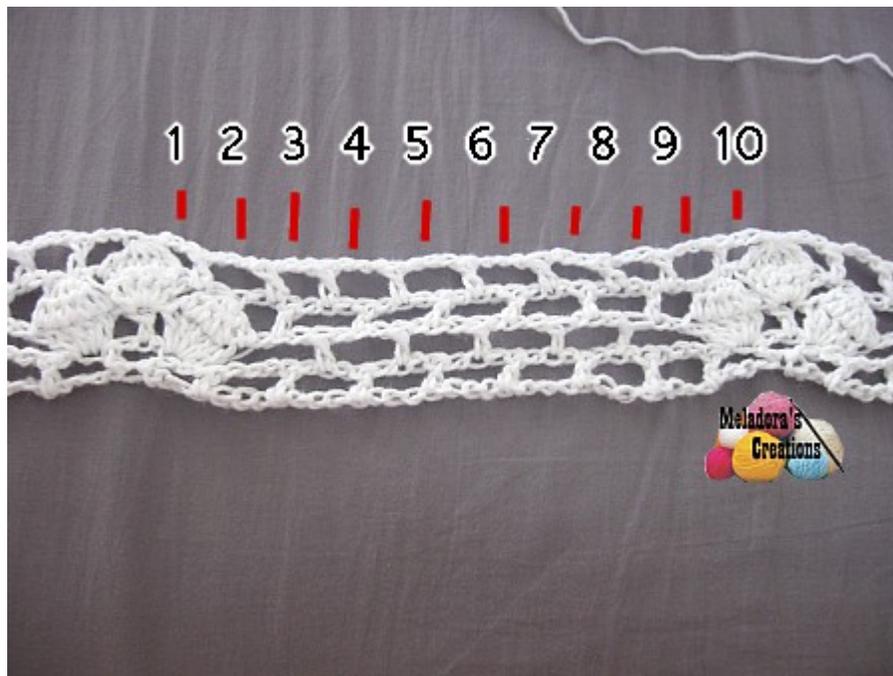
You should have **7 spaces in between** end of cluster and beginning of next as shown in last picture above.

Row 4

ch 6 and turn. dc into first center ch of ch 3 space. ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3, *ch 3 and dc into 1st ch of ch 3 space, ch 3 and dc into the ch 1, ch 3 and cluster stitch using the next 5 stitches, ch 3 and dc into next ch 1 space, ch 3 and dc into 3rd ch of next ch 3 space, (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 5 times * Repeat two more times then when you're ready to end the row:

End of the row:

(after your last Cluster stitch of the row) ch 3 and dc into ch 1, ch 3 and dc into 3rd ch of ch 3, (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) three times, the last dc of the row should be put in 3rd chain of beginning ch 4 (counting from bottom of chain)



You should have **10 spaces in between** one dc cluster to the next as shown in picture above.

Row 5

ch 4 and turn. Work 3 TRC's into beginning dc. Ch 3 skip over 2 ch 3 spaces and in 3rd, dc into center ch of ch 3, * (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 5

times. Ch 3 skip over next 2 ch 3 spaces, and in the following dc (so you are skipping 2 dc's and in the third) worked all into the same stitch (TRC, ch 1) 6 times, TRC a 7th time in the same stitch * Repeat **one** more time.

End of the row:

After your last TRC fan Ch 3 skip over next 2 ch 3 spaces and in the third one dc into the center ch. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 5 times, ch 3 and working in the 3rd chain of beginning ch 6, you will work a (TRC, ch 1) 3 times then TRC one more time.



You should have **5 spaces** in between the end of a TRC fan and the start of the next.

Row 6

ch 3 and turn. (Dc in ch 1 space) do this 5 times (the ch 1 that's between the TRC's) dc twice in last TRC. * Ch 3 , skip the first ch 3 and dc and dc into the center ch of the ch 3 space. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 4 times, ch 3 and dc twice into the first TRC. (DC in next ch 1 , dc in next TRC) repeat this 9 more times, DC 2 in last TRC. You should have 15 dc's total. * Repeat this one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

End of the row:

After you complete your last 15 dc's for your shell: Ch 3 , skip the first ch 3 and dc and dc into the center ch of the ch 3 space. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 4 times, ch 3 dc into first TRC, dc 1 into the next ch 1 space and TRC's The last DC should be worked into 3rd chain of the beginning ch 4 for a total of 8 dc's on the end.



There should be **6 spaces** in between each TRC section as shown in last picture above.

Row 7

Ch 4 and dc into 3rd dc, ch 1, skip 1 dc and dc into next. Now we are at our dc 2 from last row on the end. Work it as follows DC, ch 1, dc. Giving you 4 dc's total on the beginning here. (see picture below) *ch 3 and skipping the first ch 3 and dc, dc in center ch of next ch 3. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 3 times, ch 3 and do as you did at the beginning, you want to put 1 DC, ch 1, dc in those first 2 stitches. Then * ch 1 skip a stitch, dc * 5 times ch 1 and work last two stitches 1 DC, ch 1, dc. * Repeat this one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

End of the row:

After the last dc on your large motif pattern: *ch 3 and skipping the first ch 3 and dc, dc in center ch of next ch 3. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) 3 times, ch 3 and do as you did at the beginning, you want to put 1 DC, ch 1, dc in those first 2 stitches. (ch 1, skip 1 dc and dc into next) 3 times bringing you to the end of the row. The last DC should be worked in the top of the chain 3 from last row.



There should be **5 spaces** in between each large motif as shown in last picture.

Row 8

Ch 4 and turn. Work a 3 stitch cluster using the first dc of the row, the ch 1 space and the next dc. (Ch 3, using the same dc you just used, the next ch 1 space and the following dc, create another cluster) Repeat this 2 more times giving you 4 little clusters. *Ch 3 and skipping first ch 3 space and dc, dc into the center ch in the following ch 3 space. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) twice. *Ch 3 And using the dc, ch 1 and following dc create another 3 stitch cluster. Then as before using the same dc that you just used last, and the next ch 1 and following dc, create another 3 stitch cluster. * Repeat this 7 more times giving you 8 total clusters. * Repeat this one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

End of the row:

After completing the clusters on your last large motif: Ch 3 and skipping first ch 3 space and dc, dc into the center ch in the following ch 3 space. (ch 3, sk 3 sts, dc into center ch of ch 3) twice, ch 3 and work your clusters as before using these last dc's making 3 clusters, the 4th cluster you will be using the 4th chain and 3rd chain to complete your last cluster. Ch 1 and DC into 3rd chain to end the row. As shown in last picture.



There should be **4 spaces in between each large motif as shown in 4th picture.**

Row 9

ch 4 and turn. Dc into first dc. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 2 more times. *Ch 3 and skipping next ch 3 and dc, dc into center ch of ch 3 of next. Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3. Ch 3 and skip next ch 3 and dc space and dc into center ch of ch 3 of next (the one that's between the first 2 clusters) (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 3 more times bringing you the the center ch 3 which is worked as follows: dc into first ch, ch 3, dc into last ch. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) 3 times. * Do this 7 more times giving you 8 total clusters. *

Repeat what is in between the *'s one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

After you have put your last dc into between the last two clusters of your large motif: Ch 3 and skipping next ch 3 and dc, dc into center ch of ch 3 of next. Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3. Ch 3 and skip next ch 3 and dc space and dc into center ch of ch 3 of next (the one that's between the first 2 clusters) (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 2 more times. Ch 3 and working in the 3rd chain of beginning ch 4, put dc, ch 1, dc.



There should be **3 spaces in between each large motif.**

Row 10

ch 4 and turn. Skipping first dc and ch 1, DC 5 into next DC. * Ch 3 and skipping the next 2 ch 3 and dc spaces, DC into 1st ch of next ch 3 space. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 4 more times. CH 3 and skipping the next 2 ch 3 and dc spaces, dc 5 into next DC, ch 1 and dc into center ch of ch 3 space, ch 1 and dc 5 into next dc. * Repeat what is in between the *'s one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

End of the row:

After your last DC 5 on your Large motif: Ch 3 and skipping the next 2 ch 3 and dc spaces, DC into 1st ch of next ch 3 space. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 4 more times. CH 3 and skipping the next 2 ch 3 and dc spaces, dc 5 into next DC, ch 1 and dc into 3rd chain of beginning ch 4.



There should be **6 spaces in between each large motif as shown in last picture.**

Row 11

ch 3 and turn. Dc 2 into beginning DC. Skip ch 1 space and do a 5 stitch DC cluster using the 5 DC's from last row. * Ch 3 and dc into next center ch 3 (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 5 more times. Ch 3 and do a 5 stitch DC cluster using the 5 DC's from last row, ch 1 and work 5 DC's in the single DC in the middle. Ch 1 and do a 5 stitch DC cluster using the 5 DC's from last row. * Repeat what is in between the *'s one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

End of the row:

After your last DC 5 Cluster on your Large motif: Ch 3 and dc into next center ch 3 (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 5 more times. Ch 3 and do a 5 stitch DC cluster using the 5 DC's from last row, ch 1 and work 3 dc's in the 3rd chain of the beginning 4th chain (counting the chain from the bottom)



There should be **7 spaces in between each large motif.**

Row 12

ch 3 and turn. Counting this ch 3, do two more incomplete dc's using the next two dc's to form a cluster of 3. * (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 7

more times. Ch 3 and dc into the 1st chain instead of the middle. Ch 3 and DC into the ch 1, ch 3 and do a DC 5 cluster using the 5 DC's from last row.* Repeat what is in between the *'s one more time bringing you to the end of the row.

End of the row:

After your last DC 5 Cluster on your Large motif: (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) repeat 7 more times. Ch 3 and dc into the 1st chain instead of the middle. Ch 3 and DC into the ch 1, ch 3 and do a DC 3 cluster using the last two DC's and top of ch 3.



There should be **10 spaces in between each large motif.**

Row 13

Ch 4 and dc into the center of the first ch 3 space. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) do this twice total. * Ch 3 and skipping 2 ch 3 spaces and into the 3rd dc (TRC and ch 1) 6 times into the same space. TRC 1 more time in same space and ch 3 and skipping over 2 ch3 spaces, dc into next ch 3 space (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) 5 times. * repeat what is int between *'s

End of the row:

after your last TRC , ch 3 and skip 3 ch 3 spaces, dc into next center ch 3 space. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) twice. Ch 1 and dc into last stitch, which should be the cluster from last row.



There should be **7 spaces in between each TRC fan.**

Row 14

Ch 6 and turn. Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3. * Ch 3 and dc 2 into first TRC. DC 1 into the ch1 and dc spaces as you did before. When you reach the last TRC put 2 dc's in it for a total of 15 dc's. Ch 3 and skip first ch 3 and dc into the center ch of the next. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) 4 times. * Repeat what is in between the *'s **two** more times.

End of the row:

After your last motif: (Ch 3 and dc into center ch of ch 3) twice. Ch 3 and dc into 3rd chain of Beginning ch (counting from bottom of ch)



There should be **6 spaces in between each Large motif**

Row 15

Ch 4 and turn. dc into center ch of ch 3. ch 3 and dc into center chain of next ch 3 space. * Ch 3 and dc into first dc, ch 1 and dc into next dc. (ch 1 and skip a dc and dc into next) do this 6 times total. Then ch 1 and dc into next dc. Ch 3 and skip a ch 3 area and dc into center of next ch 3 space. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch) 3 times * repeat from * for the row

End of the row:

After you are done working your dc's into the last V stitch of the large motif, ch 3 and skip a ch 3 space and dc into center of next ch 3. CH 3 and dc into the 5th ch space of the beginning ch. Ch 1 and dc into 3rd ch. (counting from the bottom of the chain up)



Row 16

ch 6 and skipping over the first 2 dc's, dc into the center ch of first ch 3 space. * Ch 3, using the first dc, the next ch 1 space and the following dc, create a cluster. (Ch 3, using the same dc you just used, the next ch 1 space and the following dc, create another cluster) Repeat this 6 more times giving you 8 little clusters. (Ch 3 and skipping next ch 3 space, dc in center ch of the next. Ch 3 and dc into center ch) 2 more times. * repeat what is in between *'s

End of the row:

After you are done making your last cluster on your large motif, ch 3, skip a ch 3 space and dc into center chain of next ch 3 space. Ch 3 and dc into 3rd ch of beginning chain (count from the bottom)



Row 17

ch 4 and dc into center chain of ch 3 space,* skip next ch 3 space and dc into the center chain of the dc space that is in between your 1st and 2nd cluster. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch) twice, then in center ch 3 you will work a dc, ch 3, dc all in middle chain. (Ch 3 and dc into center ch) 3 more times. Skip a ch 3 space and dc into center chain of next ch 3 space. Ch 3 and dc into next center ch * repeat from *

End of the row:

after last dc into the center of the last cluster. Ch 3, skip next ch 3 space and dc into 5th ch (count from bottom) ch 1 and dc into 3rd ch.



Then to give your whole vest a border, I single crocheted 1 in each stitch and 2 sc's in each ch spaces.



If you find it's buckling to much, then reduce the amount of stitches or don't do a border at all. I just wanted it to have a thicker feel around the edge.

Then when done, cut your yarn and now we will be working on the top of the vest, making the back.



First you want to mark out your straps. I counted 16 stitches from the corner and marked it. Then I counted 19 stitches over from each of those markers and marked where my back section would be. As you can see below.



Starting the back

Row 1

Attach your yarn to the right marker and *ch 6, sk 3 sts and dc into next, repeat this for the row, when you've reached your last 5 stitches, then ch 2, skip 2, dc into next. CH 1 and dc into last stitch.

Row 2

Ch 4 and turn, skip 1st stitch and dc into next as show in picture 1 below. Then continue as normal, ending the row the same as you seen in picture 2, you will skip a ch, dc into next, ch 1, sk a ch and dc into next.



Repeat rows 1 where the * is and row 2 for 5 rows total.



Beginning back motif

Then begin the row as before only after third ch 3 you want to skip 2, ch 3 spaces and in next dc work (TRC, ch 1) 6 times all in the same space. Trc 1 more time in the same space and ch 3. Skip next 2 ch 3 spaces and (ch 3 into center of next space) twice, ch 3 and dc into last stitch.

You will be making your Large motif like you did in the previous rows. If you are not sure how many ch 3 spaces are on each end, use this picture below to guide you. Then sc 1 in each stitch and 2 in each ch space as before.



You have your straps marked out already:

So it's very easy to do the same thing as you did before when doing the back. Just on a smaller scale.

Attach your yarn, *ch 6, sk 3 sts and dc into next. Ch 3 dc into next center ch. do this 2 times and ch 1 and dc into last stitch. Ch 4 and turn, skip 1st stitch and dc into next.....repeat same as back piece. Do this for both straps for a total of 5 rows. As shown below



For **rows 6 and 7** you do as before only instead of ch 3 you only ch 2 in between.

Rows 8 and 9 you only ch 1 in between.



Row 10 you just do 5 dc's then attach to your back piece to the 5 stitches on the back corner



Repeat for other strap as well.



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