Crochet Hooks: 2.1mm [US 3] for size Small/Medium, 2.55mm [US 0] for size Large/X-Large, and 2.7mm [US 00] for size XX-Large.
Yarn needle.

GAUGE: 32 dc = 4" with 2.1mm [US 3] hook for size Small/Medium; 28 dc = 4" with 2.55mm [US 0] hook for size Large/X-Large; 24 dc = 4" with 2.7mm [US 00] hook for size XX-Large. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

Special Stitches
tr5tog = Treble crochet 5 sts together. *Yo twice, insert hook in next st, yo and draw up a loop, [yo and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice; repeat from * 4 more times, yo and draw through all 6 loops on hook.
tr6tog = Treble crochet 6 sts together. *Yo twice, insert hook in next indicated st, yo and draw up a loop, [yo and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice; repeat from * 5 more times, yo and draw through all 7 loops on hook.
dc2tog over 3 sts = Yo, insert hook in next st, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops remain on hook), skip next st; yo, insert hook in next st, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops on hook (3 loops remain on hook), yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. Note: The first dc2tog (Round 6) are worked over 3 sc (skipping the middle sc). Later, dc2togs are worked over 2 ch-1 spaces (skipping the dc2tog between the ch-1 spaces) or over 2 dc (skipping the dc2tog between the 2 dc).

NOTES
1. Vest is worked with 2 strands of thread held together throughout.
2. Vest is worked in joined rounds with Right Side facing at all times (except during back and armhole shaping). Join at ends of rounds, but do not turn.
3. To change color, fasten off old color. Draw up a loop of new color in same ch or st as joining slip st at end of round.

VEST
With 2 strands of **A** held together, ch 6. Take care not to twist ch; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), work 15 more dc in ring; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—16 dc.
Round 2: Ch 3, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] 7 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—24 dc. Fasten off **A**. Draw up a loop of 2 strands of **B** in top of beginning ch.
Round 3: With **B**, ch 3, dc in same ch as join, 2 dc in each dc around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—48 dc.
Round 4: Ch 4, skip first dc, tr5tog (petal made), ch 13,

Rippling Vest

Four shades of luxurious bamboo thread echo out from the center back floral motif making this one of the most spectacular vest designs ever!

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INTERMEDIATE

Designed by Nazanin Fard.

Directions are for size Small/Medium. Changes for sizes Large/X-Large, and XX-Large are made by using larger crochet hooks.

To Fit Chest: 32-38 (40-46, 48-52)"
Finished Back (shoulder to shoulder): 15 (17, 19)"
Finished Length (from back neck to lower edge): 45 (52, 62)"

AUNT LYDIA'S® "Bamboo Crochet Thread," Size 10:
4 balls each 806 Sea Glass **A**, 536 Lilac **B**, 810 Still Pool **C**, 621 Key Lime **D**.

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*tr6tog (petal made), ch 13; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first tr5tog—8 petals and 8 ch-13 spaces.

Round 5: Ch 1,*sc in next 6 ch, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 6 ch, *sc in next tr6tog, sc in next 6 ch, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 6 ch; repeat from * around, sc in joining slip st; join with slip st in first sc—128 sc. Fasten off **B**. Draw up a loop of 2 strands of **C** in first sc.

Round 6: With **C**, ch 3, dc in next 6 sc, 3 dc in next sc (peak made), dc in next 6 sc, *dc2tog over 3 sts (valley made), dc in next 6 sc, 3 dc in next sc (peak made), dc in next 6 sc; repeat from * around to last 2 sc, dc in next sc, skip last sc; join with slip st in top of beginning ch (last dc and beginning ch count as dc2tog, beginning valley completed)—8 peaks and 8 valleys, with 6 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 7: Ch 4 (counts as first half of beginning valley, ch 1), skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 3 times, 3 dc in next dc (peak made), [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, ch 1, *dc2tog over 3 sts (valley made), ch 1, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 3 times, 3 dc in next dc (peak made), [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, ch 1; repeat from * around; dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch (beginning valley completed). Fasten off **C**. Draw up a loop of 2 strands **D** held together in same ch as joining slip st.

Note: Continue to work with 2 strands of thread held together throughout.

Round 8: With **D**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, dc in next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 3 times, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 3 times; repeat from * around; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—7 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 9: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, ch 1, *dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, ch 1; repeat from * around, ch 1, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **D**. Draw up a loop of **A** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 10: With **A**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 4 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 4 times, dc in next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 4 times, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 4 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—9 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 11: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 4 times, 3 dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 4 times, ch 1, skip next dc, *dc2tog

over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 4 times, 3 dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 4 times, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * around, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **A**. Draw up a loop of **B** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 12: With **B**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 4 times, dc in next dc, 5 dc in next dc (peak made), [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 4 times, dc in next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 4 times, 5 dc in next dc (peak made), dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 4 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—9 dc between peaks and valleys—9 dc between peaks (5 dc) and valleys.

Round 13: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, [skip next dc, dc in next dc, ch 1] 5 times, 5 dc in next dc, ch 1, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 5 times, *dc2tog over 3 sts, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 5 times, ch 1, 5 dc in next dc, ch 1, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 5 times; repeat from * around, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **B**. Draw up a loop of **C** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 14: With **C**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 5 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 5 times, *dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 5 times, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 5 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—11 dc between peaks (3 dc, dc, 3 dc) and valleys.

Round 15: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 5 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, 5 dc in next dc (peak made), ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 5 times, ch 1, skip next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 5 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, 5 dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 5 times, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * around, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **C**. Draw up a loop of **D** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 16: With **D**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 7 times, dc in next 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 7 times, *dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 7 times, dc in next 2 dc, 5 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 7 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—16 dc between peaks (5 dc) and valleys.

Round 17: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 7 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc,

ch 1, skip next dc, 5 dc in next dc (peak made), ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 7 times, ch 1, skip next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 7 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, 5 dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 7 times, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * around, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **D**. Draw up a loop of **A** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 18: With **A**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 9 times, dc in next 2 dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 9 times, *dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 9 times, dc in next 2 dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 9 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—20 dc between peaks (3 dc) and valleys.

Round 19: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 9 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 9 times, ch 1, skip next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 9 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 9 times, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * around, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **A**. Draw up a loop of **B** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 20: With **B**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 11 times, *dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 11 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—23 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 21: Slip st in next dc, ch 4, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 11 times, 3 dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 11 times, ch 1, skip next dc, *dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 11 times, 3 dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 11 times, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * around, dc in next dc; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch. Fasten off **B**. Draw up a loop of **C** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 22: With **C**, ch 3, skip first ch-space, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 11 times, *dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc] 11 times; repeat from * around to last ch-1 space; dc in last ch-1 space; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—23 dc between peaks and valleys. Fasten off **C**.

Shape Back and Armholes

Note: Work now proceeds back and forth in rows to shape back and armholes.

Row 1 (Right Side): With Right Side facing, skip next 24 dc (to middle dc of next 3-dc peak), draw up a loop of **C** in middle dc of peak, ch 3, dc in same dc (beginning peak), *[ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 11 times, ch 1, skip next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 11 times, 3 dc in next dc (peak made); repeat from * 3 more times, working only 2 dc in last dc (instead of 3 dc, for final peak), turn; leave remaining sts unworked—5 peaks and 4 valleys. Fasten off **C**. Draw up a loop of **D** in first dc.

Row 2: With **D**, ch 3, dc in first dc, *[dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * 3 more times, working only 2 dc in last dc, turn.

Row 3: Ch 3, dc in same dc, *[ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc] 11 times, ch 1, skip next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 11 times, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * 3 more times, working only 2 dc in last dc, turn. Fasten off **D**. Draw up a loop of **A** in first dc.

Rows 4 and 5: With **A**, repeat Rows 2 and 3. Fasten off **A**. Draw up a loop of **B** in first dc.

Rows 6 and 7: With **B**, repeat Rows 2 and 3. Fasten off **B**.

Row 8 (Right Side): With Right Side facing, draw up a loop of **C** in middle dc of first unworked 3-dc peak of Round 22 before the back and armhole shaping, ch 49 (for armhole), 2 dc in first dc of Row 7, *[dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 11 times, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * 3 more times, working only 2 dc in last dc of Row 7, ch 49 (for armhole); join with slip st in middle dc of next 3-dc peak of Round 22, do not turn.

Continue in Rounds

Round 23: Continue with **C**, working in sts and chains of Round 22 and Row 8 all the way around; ch 3, dc in same st as join (working over the slip st), *ch 1, skip next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, [ch 1, skip next st, dc in next st] 10 times, ch 1, skip next st, dc2tog over 3 sts, ch 1, skip next st, [dc in next st, ch 1, skip next st] 10 times, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, ch 1, skip next st**, 3 dc in next st; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same st as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch (beginning peak completed). Fasten off **C**. Draw up a loop of **D** in same ch as joining slip st.

Round 24: With **D**, ch 3, dc in same ch as join, *dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to ch-1 space before next dc2tog, dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to middle dc of next 3-dc peak**, 3 dc in middle dc of 3-dc peak; repeat from * around, ending the last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—25 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 25: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, ***ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, *ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc*; repeat from * to * across to 2 dc before next dc2tog, ch 1, skip next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, repeat from * to * across to 2 dc before 3-dc peak, ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from ***, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch (beginning peak completed). Fasten off **D**. Draw up a loop of **A** in same ch as joining slip st.

Note: Continue to change color every other round, as established.

Round 26: Repeat Round 24—27 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 27: Repeat Round 25.

Round 28: Ch 3, 2 dc in same ch as join, *dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to ch-1 space before next dc2tog, dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to middle dc of next 3-dc peak**, 5 dc in middle dc of 3-dc peak; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, 2 dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—29 dc between peaks (5 dc) and valleys.

Round 29: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, ***ch 1, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, *ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc*; repeat from * to * across to 2 dc before next dc2tog, ch 1, skip next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, repeat from * to * across to next 5-dc peak, ch 1, skip next dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next dc, ch 1**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from ***, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Rounds 30–34: Repeat Rounds 24–28—37 dc between peaks (5 dc) and valleys.

Round 35: Repeat Round 29.

Rounds 36–40: Repeat Rounds 24–28—45 dc between peaks (5 dc) and valleys.

Round 41: Repeat Round 29.

Round 42: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, *[dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 7 times, dc in next dc, dc2tog over 3 sts, [dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space] 7 times, dc in next dc**, 3 dc in next ch-1 space; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—16 peaks and 16 valleys, with 15 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 43: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, (***) *ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc*; repeat from * to * across to 2 dc before next dc2tog, ch 1, skip next dc, dc2tog over next 3 sts, repeat from * to * across to next 3-dc peak, ch 1, skip next dc**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from (***) around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Round 44: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, *2 dc in next dc, dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to ch-1 space before next dc2tog, dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to next 3-dc peak, 2 dc in next dc**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—16 dc between peaks (3 dc) and valleys.

Round 45: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, *ch 1, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 8 times, dc2tog over 3 sts, [ch 1, skip next next dc, dc in next dc] 8 times, ch 1**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

Round 46: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, *dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to ch-1 space before next dc2tog, dc2tog over 3 sts, dc in each dc and ch-1 space across to next 3-dc peak, dc in next dc**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—17 dc between peaks and valleys.

Round 47: Repeat Round 43.

Round 48: Repeat Round 44—18 dc between peaks (3 dc) and valleys.

Round 49: Ch 3, dc in same ch as join, *ch 1, [dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc] 9 times, dc2tog over 3 sts, [ch 1, skip next next dc, dc in next dc] 9 times, ch 1**, 3 dc in next dc; repeat from * around, ending last repeat at **, dc in same ch as beginning; join with slip st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off.

FINISHING
Armhole Edging
Round 1: Join 2 strands of **D** held together with sc in armhole edge at underarm, ch 1, sc evenly spaced around armhole; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 2: Reverse sc in every sc around. Fasten off.
Repeat around other armhole.
Block lightly, if desired.
Weave in ends.

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ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, C, D = Color A, Color B, Color C, Color D; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr** = treble (triple) crochet; **yo** = yarn over; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; ***, **, ***, (***)** = repeat whatever follows the *, **, ***, or (***) as indicated.
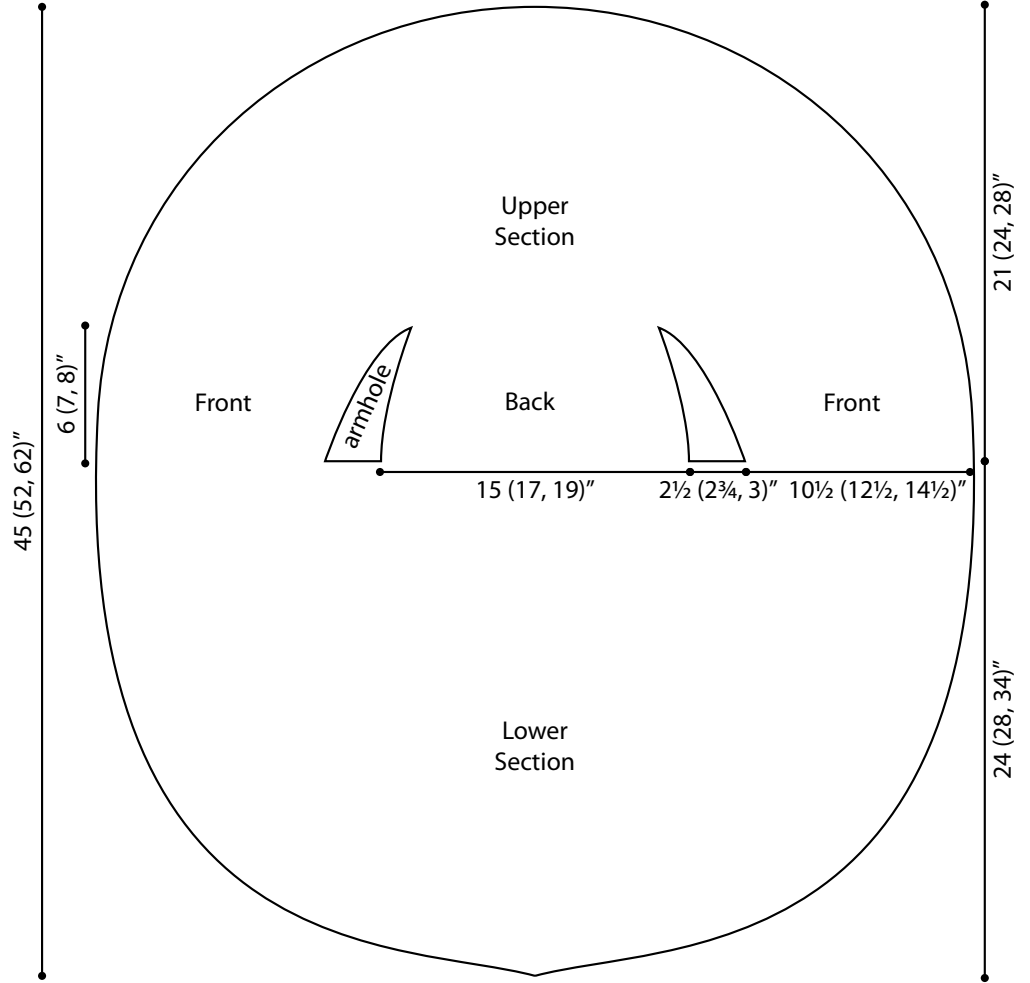
Upper
Section

Front

Back

Front

armhole

45 (52, 62)"

6 (7, 8)"

21 (24, 28)"

15 (17, 19)" 2½ (2¾, 3)" 10½ (12½, 14½)"

24 (28, 34)"

Lower
Section

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