La-di-da Dog Sweater

This sporty style sweater will help keep your furry friend warm while walking in cold weather. Choose three shades of this easy-care yarn to crochet it. Pattern is given in three sizes.

Directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium and Large are in parentheses.

Finished Length: 12½ (13½, 14½)” [32 (34.5, 37) cm]

Finished Chest: 14½ (19½, 24¼)” [37 (49.5, 61.5) cm]

Special Stitch
Lsc (long single crochet) = Insert hook in bottom of indicated st 1 row below, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook. Skip stitch behind long single crochet.
reverse sc (reverse single crochet) = Work single crochet in opposite direction from which you would usually work (left to right if you are right-handed and right to left if you are left-handed). This stitch is also known as crab stitch. It creates a rope-like twisted single crochet edging.
sc2tog = [Insert hook in next st, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Pattern Stitch
Row 1 (wrong side): Ch 1, sc in first sc, *Lsc in next sc 1 row below, sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st across; change to next color in color sequence in last st, turn.

Color Sequence
2 rows with A, 2 rows with B, 2 rows with C

Notes
1. To change color, work last st of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Cut old color or carry along wrong side until next needed to minimize weaving in ends.
2. Beginning at end of Row 3 of Body, change to next color in color sequence at the end of every other row.

SWEATER
Neckband
With A, ch 6.
Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—5 sts.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in back lp of each st across, turn. Repeat last row 27 (37, 47) times; change to B in last st of last row.

BODY
Row 1 (Right Side): Working in end of rows, ch 1, sc in each row across, turn—29 (39, 49) sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, work 1 (2, 1) sc in first sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across—43 (59, 73) sc.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc across; change to B, turn.
Rows 4 and 5: Work Rows 1 and 2 of pattern st.

DIVIDE FOR LEG OPENINGS
Right Underbody
Row 1 (wrong side): Work Row 1 of pattern st in first 5 (7, 9) sts; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—5 (7, 9) sts.
Rows 2–10 (14, 18): Work even in pattern st.
Fasten off.

Center Back
Row 1 (wrong side): With wrong side facing, skip next 3 (5, 7) sts of Row 5 of Body, join same color as Row 1 of Right Underbody with slip st in next st, beginning in same st as join, work Row 1 of pattern st in first 27 (35, 41) sts; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—27 (35, 41) sts.

What you will need:

RED HEART® With Love®, Art. E400 available in solid color 7oz (198 g), 370 yd (338 m) and multicolor 5oz (141 g), 230 yd (211 m) skeins

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9]
Yarn needle
GAUGE: 12 sts = 4” (10 cm); 16 rows = 4” (10 cm). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

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Rows 2–10 (14, 18): Work even in pattern st. Fasten off.

Left Underbody
Row 1 (wrong side): With wrong side facing, skip next 3 (5, 7) sts of Row 5 of Body, join same color as Row 1 of Right Underbody with slip st in next st, beginning in same st as join, work Row 1 of pattern st in last 5 (7, 9) sts, turn—5 (7, 9) sts.
Rows 2–10 (14, 18): Work even in pattern st. Do not fasten off.

BACK
Row 11 (15, 19): Ch 1, *sc in first sc, [Lsc in next sc 1 row below, sc in next sc] 2 (3, 4) times*, ch 3 (5, 7), sc in next sc, [Lsc in next sc 1 row below, sc in next sc] 13 (17, 20) times, ch 3 (5, 7), repeat from * to * once, turn—37 (49, 59) sts and 6 (10, 14) ch.
Row 12 (16, 20): Ch 1, sc in each st and ch across, turn—43 (59, 73) sts.
Row 13 (17, 21): Work Row 1 of pattern st.
Row 14 (18, 22): Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog, turn—41 (57, 71) sts.

LEG OPENING (work twice)
Round 1 (right side): With right side facing, sc join A in any st at leg opening, sc evenly around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as join, *sc2tog, sc in next st; repeat from * around, adjusting at end of round as needed; join with slip st in first sc.

Round 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 4 and 5: Repeat Rounds 2 and 3.
Round 6: Ch 1, reverse sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING
With ends of rows held together, sew seam from Neckband to Row 14 (18, 22) of Back.

Edging
Round 1 (right side): With right side of Back facing, sc join C (B, A) in seam, working in ends of rows and across last row, sc evenly around working 3 sc in each corner; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 2: Ch 1, reverse sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS
A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; ch = chain(s); sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

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