

Poppy set laced lingerie

Top & thong



Hook: 3 mm

Yarn: 100 grams. Cotton, size 1, fingering, superfine, (suitable for 2,5-3 mm hook). The pink set above is made in wool: size 2, sport (suitable for 3 mm hook).

Stitch: 123-stitch (sc, hdc, dc), chains (ch), slip stitch (ss)

How the stitch works: for the first row you crochet 1, 2, 3 (sc, hdc, dc) the next row 3, 2, 1 (dc, hdc, sc). Continue changing everytime you turn over your work.

Decrease: By skipping first stitch and/or crocheting two stitches together with single crochet. See next page for explanation. If you decrease over a sc and a hdc you make decreased hdc over the two stitches.

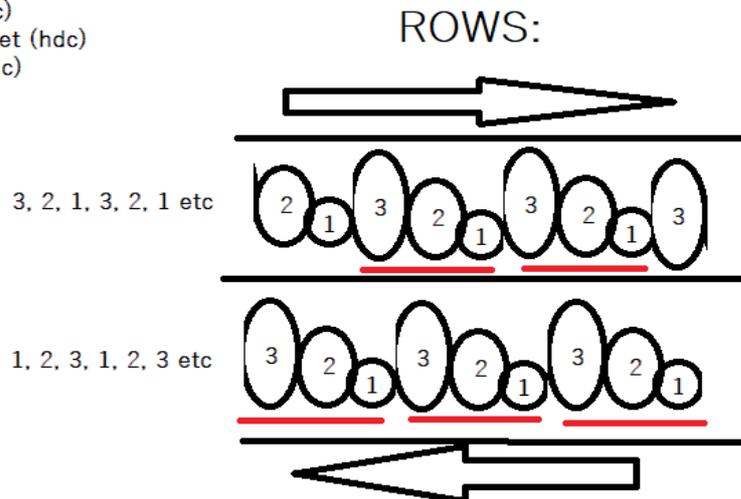
When not increasing/decreasing: make a stitch in the same stitch you are in instead of chaining

Size: One size (S/M). Can easily be adjusted as you go.

123-STICH EXPLANATION

The pattern goes: 1 on top of 2, 2 on top of 3, 3 on top of 1. So if you finish the row with a dc you turn over the work and crochet: hdc in the dc, sc in the hdc, dc in the sc, hdc in the dc, sc in the hdc (2, 1, 3, 2, 1 etc.)

- 1= single crochet (sc)
- 2= half double crochet (hdc)
- 3= double crochet (dc)



THE TOP



First we crochet the breast part, and straps, then move on to the laced body part. The top is crocheted back and forth.

1. Make a chainless foundation with 84 hdc stitches
2. Crochet into the stitch you are in (the 84th stitch).
3. Sc in the 1st stitch, hdc in the 2nd, dc in the 3rd. *sc, hdc, dc* repeat from * to * throughout the row.
4. Turn over the work, (hdc in the dc, sc in the hdc, dc in the sc) Continue the 3, 2, 1 pattern throughout the row.

Repeat step 3 and 4 - alternating between 1, 2, 3 and 3, 2, 1 for 8 rows in total.

Now we start making the first bra cup (as seen on the photo above)

5. On the outer side of the bra cup we increase by skipping the stitch that the hook is already in. On the inside of the bra cup, where the opening will be, we decrease by starting each row in that side by skipping the stitch the hook is in *and* crocheting together the next two stitches with a sc stitch: an decrease of 2 stitches on the one side and 1 stitch on the other side. So this way you alternate between decreasing 2 and 1 stitch per row.

You only decrease in the beginning of the row.

6. So start by skipping the stitch you are in and then crocheting into the next 41 stitches with the same stitch you've been using all along.
 7. Turn over the work, skip the first stitch the hook is in, crochet the next two stitches together and crochet all the way back.
 8. Continue going back and forth with decreases on each side until you have two stitches left on the row.
 9. Single crochet into the 2nd stitch and now start chaining for the straps.
 10. Chain very tightly until you have 75 cm long straps. Break off the yarn
- Start the 2nd bra cup on the opposite side, starting on the outer side of the top going in.
- Do the exact same thing as above for the left side of the top. Break off the yarn after you've made the strap.

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THE BODY



1. Insert the hook left of the right strap and crochet down, up and down the side with one single crochet in each row, crocheting behind the left strap. When you reach the down left corner of the top, you are going to chain for the body.
2. Loosely chain 59 and slip stitch into the opposite side of the top – on the right hand corner of the top.
3. Turn over the work, chain 3 and slip stitch into the 3rd chain, ch 3, ss into the 3rd chain. Repeat until you reach the other side of the top making a ss into the first stitch
on the top. There should be 20 ch arches.
4. Continue chaining 3 and slip stitching into the 3rd stitch until there's 1 stitch left.
5. Ch 3, ss around the next arch. There should be a total of 48 arches.
6. Keep chaining 3 and ss around the next arch, until you've reached your desired length.
Break off the yarn.
7. Weave in the loose ends and single crochet on the right side of the top to finish the edge.

The straps are weaved up and down horizontally through the arches on the back – either being crossed or brought directly down from either the 1st arch or from the 3rd arch from the top.

THE THONG



The thong is the exact same stitch as the top, and you go back and forth on each row alternating between the 1, 2, 3 and 3, 2, 1 as explained above.

1. Chain 40/make a chain less foundation of 40 hdc stitches.
2. Start the 1st stitch in the 2nd stitch from the hook: *sc, hdc, dc* repeat from * to *
=39 stitches in total.
3. Turn over the work and skip the stitch you are already in, crochet into the next stitch.
4. Keep going back and forth like this, skipping the stitch the hook is in. This way you naturally decrease 1 stitch per row.
5. After 34 rows you should have 5 stitches on the row.
6. Now you start crocheting into the same stitch the hook is in, this way there's no decreasing.
7. Continue going back and forth for 18 rows. You can also try it on to see if it's long enough.

8. Now we start the triangle on the back, which consists of arches of chains increasing for each row.
9. Chain 6, turn over your work, ss into the 1st stitch on the row, ch 3, ss into the last stitch on the row, chain 6. Turn over your work.
10. Ss in the 1st ch, ch 3, ss around the next arch, ch 3, ss around the next arch, chain 6. Turn over your work.
11. Keep doing this, chaining 6 on each side of the row to form the triangle. Continue until you have a total of 10 arches on the last row.
12. Tightly chain until you have 40 cm, break off the yarn. Do the same thing on the opposite side: ss into the last arch on the row and tightly chain for the other strap.
13. On the front of the thong stick the hook into the top corner stitch and tightly chain 40 cm of strap – do the same on the other side.
14. If you want you can finish off the thong by sc over each side to create a smoother finish.
15. Sew in the loose ends and you're finished!