Duchess Shrugdigan

A Regal, One-Piece Shrug-Cardigan with Graceful Sleeves and a Flowing Hemline in Stunning Red

SIZE: ONE SIZE

Suitable for sizes S, M, L, XL

INTRODUCTION

Duchess Shrugdigan is a part of the Duchess collection, including:
Duchess Shawl and
Duchess Fingerless Gloves.

The collection is an assembly of different garments which all have the same stitch pattern weaved into their texture. Duchess Shrugdigan was designed as a light, airy cover up with arm openings to keep you warm in colder days and is intended as an addidtion to your sleevless dress, top, blouse, or any other piece of clothing which may not give you enough warmth in chilly weather.
Its simple round shape is easily transformed into a shrug–cardigan, which will form small sleeves. At the back it falls nicely and loosely, thus giving you a feeling of comfort, while at the front it stays open, covering your shoulders and arms up to your elbows for extra warmth and cosiness.

DIFFICULTY LEVEL, SKILLS, TECHNIQUES

Making this shrug requires lower-intermediate crocheting skills and being familiar with round crochet. I would certainly encourage experienced beginners to give this project a try and improve their crocheting skills. Stitches used in this pattern are chain, single crochet and double crochet.

MATERIALS

Yarn

300gr any kind of sport yarn (blend or acrylic)
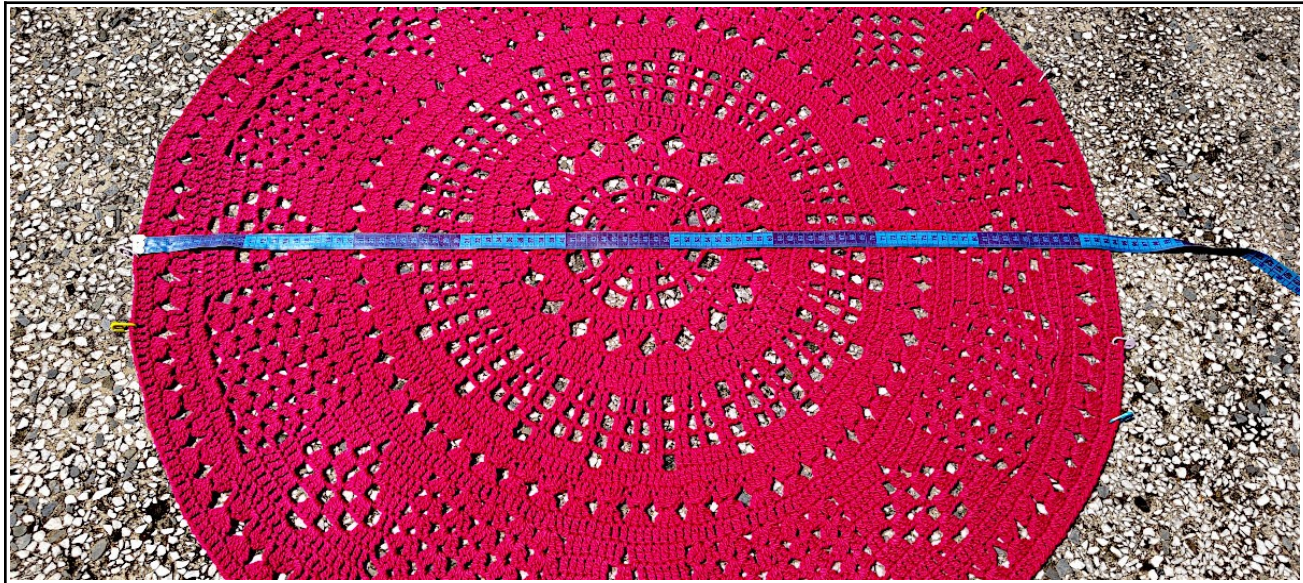1 skein: 50gr = 142m/155 yards

Hook

UK 4.5mm (US G/7) crochet hook

TENSION

Worked in turns:
– 17 dc = 10cm/4in
– 6.5 – 7 rows of dc = 10cm/4in

SIZE INFORMATION

After pressing, the round shaped shawl diameter is 93cm/36.6in

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PATTERN

The pattern is written in US terminology. The diagram you can see below is for an entirely different type of shawl but I have used it for all my Duchess pieces. The Diagram shows 29 rounds, and for Duchess Shrugdigan a 3-round border is added after forming the sleeves.

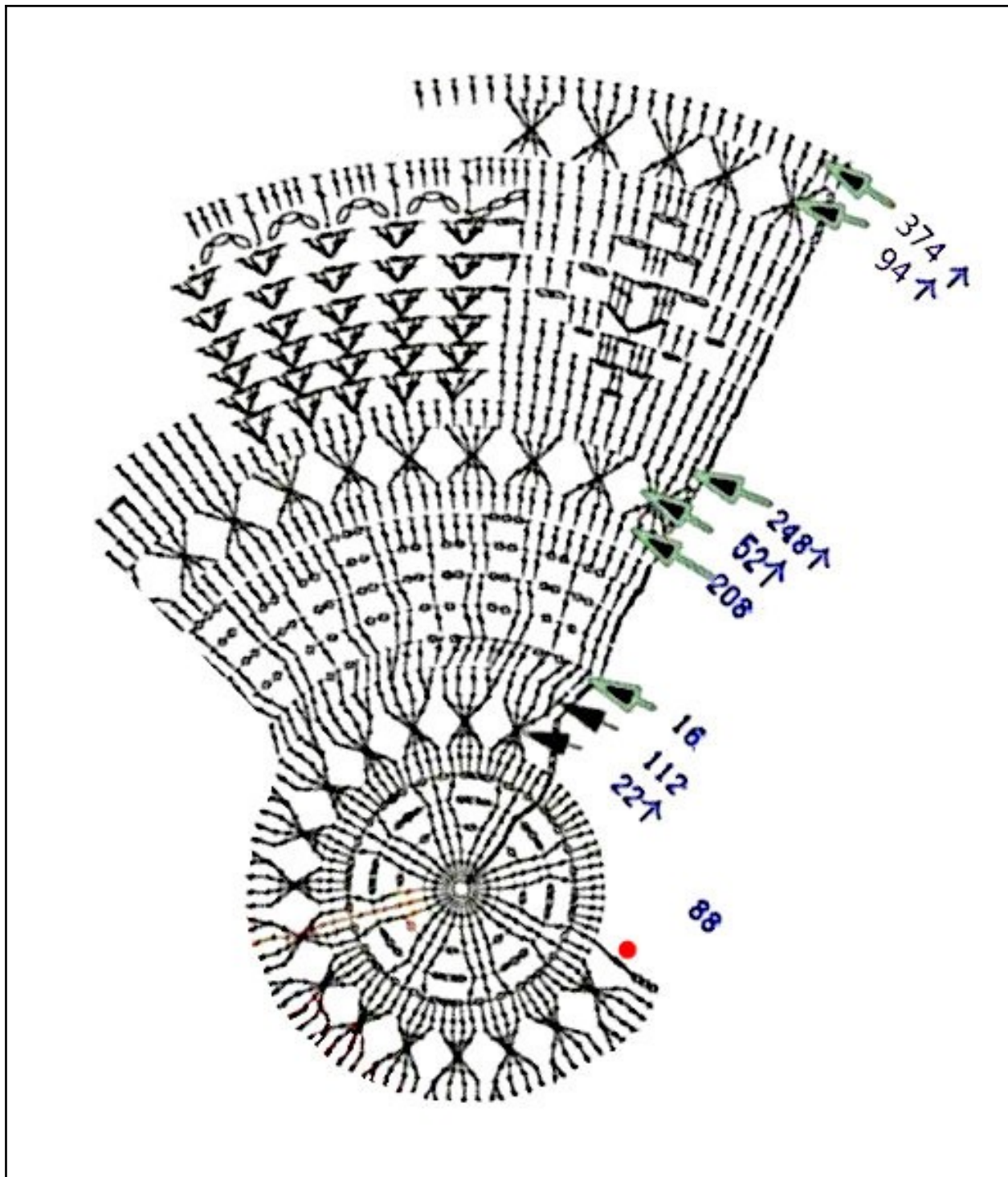## GLOSSARY, REFERENCES, SPECIAL STITCHES

In rounds 7, 16 and 27 I named the special stitch "cluster". Normally, a cluster is a group of dc stitches done in one stitch. However, to make things more clear and easier to count the "clusters" at the end of each round, I used this term. Clusters in the above mentioned 3 rounds are done like this: ch3, 2(or 3)dc together, ch3.

Abreviations

st(s) - stitch(es)
ch - chain
sl.st. - slip stitch
sc - single crochet

dc - double crochet
tog - together
rnd - round

Diagram

INSTRUCTIONS

Start by ch5 and close the ring by doing a sl.st. in 5th loop from the hook. Work in rounds.

Rnd 1 – 12sc, sl.st. in 1st sc. (= 12 sts)

Rnd 2 – ch3, 1dc in 1st st; (2dc in next st)repeat to the end; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 24 sts)

Rnd 3 – ch3, 2dc, ch2, (3dc, ch2)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 24dc and 8 ch1-spaces)

Rnd 4 – ch3, 2dc, ch3, (3dc, ch3)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 24 dc and 8 ch3-spaces)

Rnd 5 – ch4, 1dc, ch1, 1dc, ch3, [(1dc, ch1)2x, 1dc, ch3]repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 24 dc and 8 ch3-spaces)

Rnd 6 – ch3, 1dc in each of the next 4sts, (5dc in ch3-space, 1dc in each of the next 5sts)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 80 sts)

Rnd 7 – (ch3, 2dc tog, ch3, sl.st. in next st, sl.st. in next st)= cluster; repeat making these clusters to the end of rnd; 3sl.st. along the initial ch3, sl.st. in top of the 1st cluster. (= 20 clusters)

Rnd 8 – ch3, in top of the first cluster do 3dc, (in top of the next cluster do 4dc)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 20 groups of 4dc)

Rnd 9 – ch3, 1dc in the same st as the ch3, 2dc, 2dc in next st, (2dc in next st, 2dc, 2dc in next st)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (120 dc)

Rnd 10 – ch3, 5dc, ch1, 1dc between the previous and the next st, ch1, (6dc, ch1, 1dc between the previous and the next st, ch1,)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (280 sts = 140 dcs and 40 ch1)

Rnd 11 – ch3, 1dc, ch2, sk2, 2dc, ch1, sk.ch1, 1dc, ch1, sk.ch1, (2dc, ch2, sk2, 2dc, ch1, sk.ch1, 1dc, ch1, sk.ch1)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (=180 sts = 100 dc, 20 ch2-sp, 40 ch1-sp)

Rnd 12 – ch3, 1dc, ch2, sk.ch-sp, 2dc, ch2, sk.ch-sp, 1dc, ch2, sk.ch-sp, (2dc, ch2, sk.ch-sp, 2dc, ch2, sk.ch-sp, 1dc, ch2, sk.ch-sp)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (220 sts = 100 dc and 20 ch2-sp)

Rnd 13 – like Rnd 12

Rnd 14 – ch3, 1dc, ch3, sk.ch2, (2dc, 2dc over ch2, 1dc, 2dc over next ch2, 2dc, ch3, sk.ch2)repeat to the end of rnd; finish with 2dc, 2dc over ch2, 1dc, 2dc over next ch2; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (=240 sts)

Rnd 15 – ch3, 1dc, 3dc over ch3-sp, (9dc, 3dc over ch3-sp) repeat to the end of rnd; finish with 7dc, sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (=240 sts)

Rnd 16 – sl.st, (ch3, 3dc tog, ch3, sl.st. in next st)repeat to the end of rnd.

Additional notes about this round: This is a similar stitch like the one done in rnd 7 but with a difference that it's a 5-stitch cluster, not a 4-stitch cluster like in rnd 7. Also, the first ch3 of each cluster is done in the same st where we did the sl.st. This is because I wanted to have a bit more of symetry than the original diagram. I wanted every third cluster to fall exactly above the ch3-sp. Another remark here is that after this rnd is completed, the work will become wavy. Don't worry about that because the next rnd will tighten the piece just enough to have a nice, flat circle.

Finish the rnd with 3sl.st. along the initial ch3, sl.st. in top of the 1st cluster. (= 60 clusters)

Rnd 17 – like Rnd 8 (240 sts = 60 groups of 4dc)

To avoid counting in the next rnd, place a st. marker in each 30th stitch of this rnd = 8 st. markers.

Rnd 18 – ch3, (dc to the marker, 2dc in the st. with a marker)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (=248 sts)

(If you don't use st. markers, follow these directions for Rnd 18 – ch3, 28dc, 2dc in next st, (29dc, 2dc in next st)repeat to the end of rnd; sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (=248 sts))

Rnd 19 – ch3, 6dc, ch2, 7dc, [sk2, (in next st do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc, sk2)5x, 7dc, ch2, 7dc]7x; sk2, in next st do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc, sk2, sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 20 – ch3, 5dc, ch2, sk1, 2dc in ch2-sp, ch2, sk1, 6dc, [sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x, sk2, 6dc, ch2, sk1, 2dc in ch2-sp, ch2, sk1, 6dc]7x, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x. Sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 21 – ch3, 3dc, ch2, sk2, (3dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk2)2x, 4dc, [sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x, sk2, 4dc, ch2, sk2, (3dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk2)2x, 4dc]7x, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x. Sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 22 – ch3, 1dc, ch2, sk2, 3dc in next ch2-sp, ch3, sc in next ch2-sp, ch3, 3dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk2, 2dc, [sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x, 2dc, ch2, sk2, 3dc in next ch2-sp, ch3, sc in next ch2-sp, ch3, 3dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk2, 2dc]7x, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x. Sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 23 – ch3, 1dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 3dc in next ch3-sp, ch2, 3dc in next ch3-sp, ch2, skip3, 2dc in next ch2-sp, 2dc, [ch2, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x, ch2, sk2, 2dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 3dc in next ch3-sp, ch2, 3dc in next ch3-sp, ch2, skip3, 2dc in next ch2-sp, 2dc]7x, ch2, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x. Ch2, sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 24 – ch3, 3dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 3dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 2dc in next ch2-sp, 4dc, [ch2, sk ch2-sp, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x, ch2, sk2, sk ch2-sp, 4dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 3dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 2dc in next ch2-sp, 4dc]7x, ch2, sk ch2-sp, sk2, (in next ch2-sp do: 2dc, ch2, 2dc)5x. Ch2, sk ch2-sp, sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 25 – ch3, 5dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 2dc in next ch2-sp, 6dc, ch3, sk ch2-sp, sk2, sc in next ch2-sp, (ch3, sk4, sc in next ch2-sp)4x, [ch3, sk2, sk ch2-sp, 6dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, ch2, sk3, 2dc in next ch2-sp, 6dc, ch3, sk ch2-sp, sk2, sc in next ch2-sp, (ch3, sk4, sc in next ch2-sp)4x]7x, ch3, sk2, sk ch2-sp, sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. (= 376 sts)

Rnd 26 – ch3, 7dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp, [8dc, (4dc in next ch3-sp, 1dc in next st)5x, 4dc in next ch3-sp, 8dc, 2dc in next ch2-sp]7x, 8dc, (4dc in next ch3-sp, 1dc in next st)5x, 4dc in next ch3-sp. Sl.st. in 3rd loop of the initial ch3.

Rnd 27 – Like Rnd 7. (= 94 clusters)

Rnd 28 – Like Rnd 8. (= 94 groups of 4dc)

Rnd 29 – ch3, 1dc in each stitch to the end of rnd, sc in 3rd loop of the initial ch3. Cut yarn, weave in end.

Press the piece with steam iron over a clean cotton cloth and on medium heat. The piece will get a bit bigger and yarn will become softer. As already stated above, after pressing, the piece will be 93 cm in diameter (36.6 in).
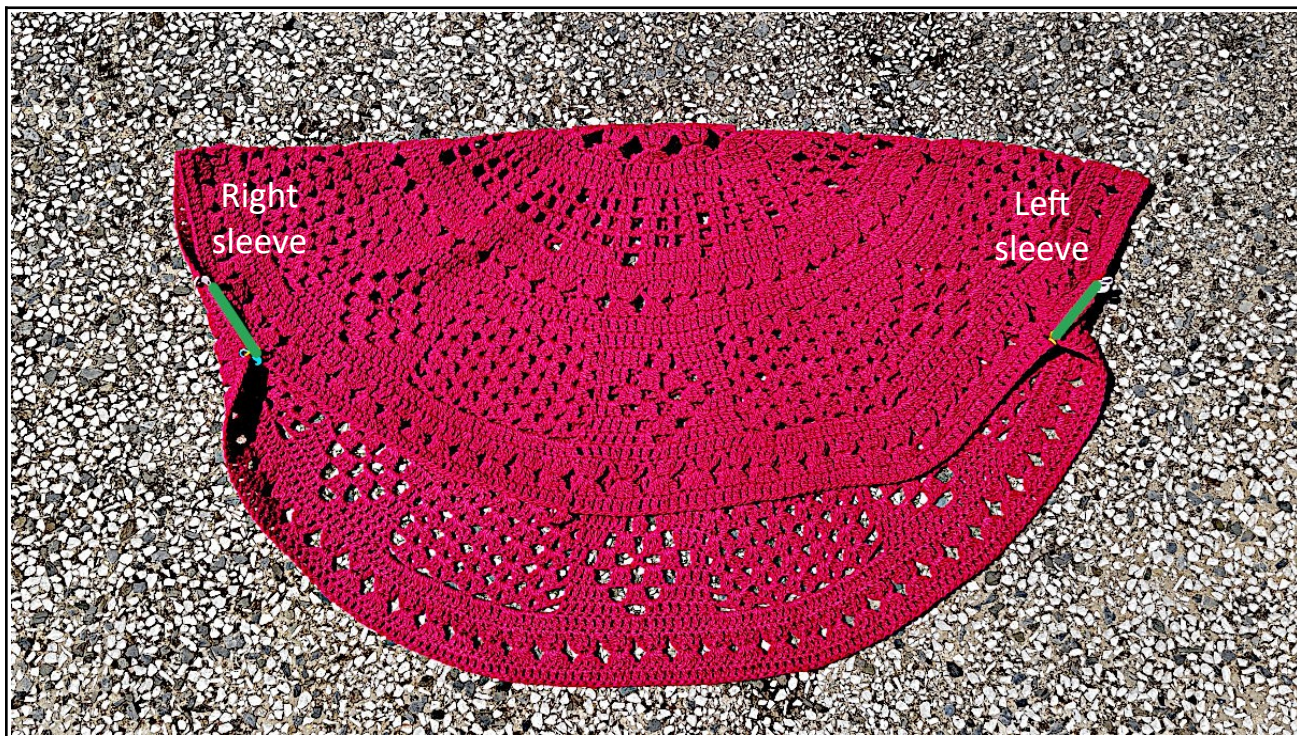
Lay the piece flat and place markers as indicated with blue dots in the photo below. Leave 108 sts on the upper side, and 156 sts on the bottom side. Make sure that top center is the middle of one of the diamonds.

Fold the piece like shown in the next photo and atach the two sides with stitch markers accordingly. First, sew the seam of the right sleeve. On the WRONG side do

13sl.st. along the green line for both sleeves, leaving arm openings. To do that, starting from the arm opening, insert the hook in both layers and work in front loops only. Cut yarn, weave in end.

Repeat the process for the left sleeve. After sewing the left sleeve seam, DON'T BREAK YARN, and continue crocheting the border on the right side along the bottom 156sts and along the upper 108sts, in rounds like this:

Rnd 1 – like Rnd 10 from instructions above.
Rnd 2 – like Rnd 11 from instructions above.
Rnd 3 – like Rnd 12 from instructions above.
Cut yarn, weave in end.

FINISHING

Press the shrug over a cotton cloth once again, especially the seams of sleeves and the borderline. Wear the shrug by rolling up the upper part of it along the necline, or just fold the neckline outwards so that the shrug covers your shoulders.

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