Drops of Sunshine
designed and crocheted for
Vinnis Colours
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3CALBG002

Pattern difficulty:
Easy/moderate

Pattern sizes:
8/32, (10/34, 12/36, 14/38)

Measurements:
To fit bust:
82-87cm (87-92cm, 92-97cm, 97-102cm)

All round measurements:
Bust:
88cm (94cm, 98cm, 105cm)
Length to shoulder:
51cm (51cm, 55cm, 55cm)

Materials:
Vinnis Colours Nikkim 6 (7, 7, 7, 8) balls of 119m/50g, DK in Baby Yellow (536), 1 (1, 1, 1) ball of 119m/50g, DK in White (598)
Hook: 4.00mm
Tapestry needle
Scissors

Tension:
15tr x 10rows = 10x10cm
(as worked in patt of rows of htr & tr)

Abbreviations:
ch – chain
chsp – chain space
col – colour
dc – double crochet
htr – half treble crochet
patt – pattern
sk – skip
st/s – stitch/es
tr – treble crochet
WS – wrong side
rep – repeat
RS – right side

Pattern notes:
3ch replace the first treble.
1ch does not replace a htr or dc
Baby Yellow = col A, White = col B
To Make:
Back:
With col A and a 4.00mm hook, loosely ch 69 (73, 77, 81).

All sizes:
**Row 1:**
(WS) Insert hook in 2nd ch from hook and work 1htr in each ch across, turn and fasten off (68 (72, 76, 80) htr).
Row 2:
With col B, ch3, *sk next htr, 1tr in next tr, 1tr in prev skipped htr*, rep from * to last st, 1tr in last htr, turn.
Row 3:
Ch3, *sk next tr, 1tr in next tr, 1tr in prev skipped tr*, rep from * to last st, 1tr in last tr, turn.
Row 4 – 6:
Rep row 3. Fasten off and turn.
Row 7:
With col Baby Yellow, ch1, 1htr in each st across, turn.

Shape Armholes:
(Keep continuity of patt throughout.)
Row 35 (35, 37, 37):
Slst over the first 3sts, 1st in next 30 (32, 34, 36) sts, turn (30 (32, 34, 36) sts).
Dec 1 st at armhole, turn (27 (29, 31, 33) sts).
Cont in patt without any further shaping.
Row 46 (46, 48, 48):
Slst over first 6 (7, 8, 8) sts, 1 st in each st to end, turn (21 (22, 23, 25) sts).
Row 47 (47, 49, 49):
Dec 1 st at neckline, turn (20 (21, 21, 23) sts).
Row 48-51 (48-51, 50-52, 50-52):
Dec 2 sts at neckline, turn (12 (13, 15, 17) sts).
First two sizes:
Row 52-53:
1st in each st across.
Fasten off. (12 (13) sts).
Next two sizes:
Row 53:
Dec 1 st at neckline, turn (14 (15)sts).
Row 54-57:
1st in each st across.
Fasten off. (14 (15)sts).
Rep for right side, reversing all shapings.

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**Sleeves (make 2):**
With col A and 4.00mm hook, make 51 (53, 55, 57) ch.

**Row 1:**
Insert hook in 2nd ch from hook and work 1 htr in each ch across. Fasten off and turn (50 (52, 54, 56) htr).

**Row 2:**
With col B, ch3, *sk next htr, 1tr in next tr, 1tr in prev skipped htr*, rep from * to last st, 1tr in last htr, fasten off and turn.

**Row 3:** With col A, work 1 htr in each st across.

**Row 4:**
Slst across the first 3 sts, ch3 and work 1 tr in each st across, leave the last 3 sts unworked, turn (44 (46, 48, 50) sts).

**Row 5-7:**
Keep continuity of patt as for body of top).
Slst across the first st, 1st in every st across, leaving the last st unworked, turn (38 (40, 42, 44) sts).

**Row 8-9:**
Slst across the first 2 (2, 2, 2) sts, 1st in every st across, leaving the last 2 (2, 2, 2) sts unworked.

**First two sizes:**
Row 10: Slst across the first 2 (3) sts, 1st in every st across, leaving the last 2 (3) sts unworked. Fasten off. (26 sts).

**Next two sizes:**
**Row 10:**
Slst across the first 2 (2) sts, 1st in every st across, leaving the last 2 (2) sts unworked.

**Row 11:**
Slst across the first 2 (3) sts, 1st in every st across, leaving the last 2 (3) sts unworked. Fasten off. (26 sts).

**To make up:**
With wrong sides facing, join shoulder and side seams. Fold sleeves in half lengthways, position fold on shoulder seams and join. Join side seams.

**Neck Edging:**
With RS facing and col A, work 1 round of equally spaced dc around the back of the neck, down the left side of the neck, down the keyhole opening and back up the keyhole opening. Before proceeding with the right side of the neck, join the keyhole opening with a slipstitch. Continue up the right side to the beginning of the round. Close with slipstitch. Weave in all loose ends. Block garment to measurement, cover with a damp cloth (or spray with water) and allow to dry.