Basic Apron

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EASY

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Materials:

☑ About 1/2 cone of worsted weight cotton yarn

☑ Crochet hook size H

Gauge: Rows 1-5 = 20" x 1 3/4"

To work a sc dc: Insert hook in first indicated st and pull up a loop, insert hook in next st and pull up a loop, yo and pull through all 3 remaining loops on hook.

To work a dc dec: Yo, insert hook in first indicated st and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook, yo, insert hook in next st and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook, yo and pull through all 3 remaining loops on hook.

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Ch 66.

Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across; ch 2, turn. (65 sc)

Note: the "ch 2" at the end of rows does NOT count as the first dc of the next row.

Row 2: Dc in ea. sc across; ch 1, turn. (65 dc) (Mark this as right side.)

Row 3: Sc in ea. dc across; ch 2, turn. (65 sc)

Row 4: Dc in ea. sc across; ch 1, turn. (65 dc)

Rows 5-48: (Repeat rows 3 and 4) 22 times.

Row 49: Sc dec over first 2 sts, sc across to within the last 2 sts, sc dec over the last 2 sts, ch 2, turn. (63 sc)

Row 50: Dc dec over the first 2 sts, dc across to within the last 2 sts, dc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (61 dc)

Rows 51-60: (Repeat rows 49 and 50) 10 times. You should have 41 dc at the end of row 60.

Row 61: Sc in each sc across; ch 2, turn. (41 sc)

Row 62: Dc dec over the first 2 sts, dc across to within the last 2 sts, dc dec over the last 2 sts; ch 1, turn. (39 dc)

Row 63: Sc in each sc across; ch 2, turn. (39 sc)

Rows 64-75: (Repeat rows 62 and 63) 6 times. You should have 27 sc at the end of row 75.

Row 76: Sl st in each st across. (27 sl st's)

Edging, Neck Strap and Ties

Round 1: Ch 100 (or length needed for neck strap - 100 works well for a man's size), join with a sl st to the last sl st on row 76 being careful not to twist ch; turn; ch 3 to count as the first dc, skip first ch, dc in the next 99 ch's; continuing around apron, dc in the side of rows 76-49, working 1 dc in the side of sc's and 2 dc in the sides of dc's; ch 102 for the first tie, dc in the 3rd ch from hook and in each of the next 98 ch's; continuing around apron, dc in the side of rows 48-2, working 1 dc in the side of sc's and 2 dc in the sides of dc's; 3 dc in the side of row 1; dc in the base of each foundation ch across; 3 dc in the side of row 1; dc in the side of rows 2-48, working 1 dc in the side of sc's and 2 dc in the sides of dc's; ch 102 for the second tie, dc in the 3rd ch from hook and in each of the next 98 ch's; dc in the side of rows 49-78, working 1 dc in the side of sc's and 2 dc in the sides of dc's; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3.

Round 2: Sl st in each st around, working around the ties by first working sl st's in the base of the foundation ch's, then working 2 sl st's in the last dc, then working sl st's in the tops of the tie dc's; join with a sl st to the first sl st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Happy Crocheting!