

No. 246. Square Neck Dress with Puff Sleeve, in Boucle

# SQUARE NECK DRESS WITH PUFF SLEEVE IN BOUCLE

No. 246 — Size 16

MATERIAL REQUIRED: BOUCLE

12 skeins light peach
1 skein dark peach
1 No. 2 circular needle
1 No. 2 bone needles
1 steel crochet hook No. 4

#### **SKIRT**

Cast on circular needle 350 sts. K 2 inches plain. Pattern of hemstitching as follows:

Row 1: K 2 sts. together yo.

Row 2: K 2 sts. together yo. knitting the loose st. first.

K1inch plain (about 5 rows). Repeat pattern. K1 inch plain. Repeat pattern.

Continue plain knitting until work is 10 inches. Decrease by knitting 2 sts. together on the 10th st. K 3 inches.

on the 15th st. K 3 inches.

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on the 10th st.

Continue to decrease this way until there are 200 sts. on needle. Knit desired length and bind off. S.C. around top of skirt and make beading for elastic.

#### WAIST

Cast on No. 2 bone needles 100 sts. K 1 row, P 1 row for 9 rows. Pattern of hemstitching.

Row 1: K 2 sts. together yo.

Row 2: P 2 sts. together yo. (Be sure that the first of the 2 sts. purled together is the tight st.)

Knit 9 rows and then hemstitch again. Do 5 of these plain sections and 6 hemstitch patterns to the underarm. Bind off 5 sts. at each end. Decrease 1 st. at each end 7 times. From the underarm to the shoulder is K 1 row, P 1 row for 6 inches. Bind off all the way across.

#### Front

Pick up 25 sts. K 1 row, P 1 row for 2 inches. Add 1 st. every 5th st. Knit 2 inches add 1 st. every 5th st. When the work measures 5 inches from shoulder add 36 sts. on one needle. Knit other front to correspond. Put both fronts together. Increase the 7 sts. at the arm size end as on back and the 5 sts. at each underarm. Knit pattern of hemstitching sections to match front. Bind off and s.c. all around. Sew waist and skirt together.

#### Puff Sleeve

Cast on No. 2 needles 35 sts. Add 2 sts. at each end of needles on every knit row until there are 80 sts. On the next row, add 1 st. every 3rd st. until there are 120 sts. on needle. Do patterns of hemstitching as on skirt. Decrease to 45 sts. by knitting 2 sts. together 19 times. K 3 sts. together 7 times. K 2 sts. together 19 times. Bind off loosely. S.C. alternating color around sleeve, also around square neck.

#### Belt

Crochet chain 1 inch longer than waist measure. S.C. in each chain stitch round and round and until belt measures 3 or 4 inches in width.

#### FILET CROCHET HAT IN BOUCLE

MATERIALS REQUIRED:

1 skein Boucle

1 steel crochet book No. 3

Ch. 4 sts. and join in ring. Ch. 5, 1 d.c., ch. 2, 1 d.c., ch. 2, 1 d.c. and continue filling in ring. Increase about 4 squares each row or keeping the work flat, until there are 58 squares. Continue without increasing until there are 15 rows from the center. Then crochet 2 s.c. in each square, or until there are 140 sts.

#### Brim

1st row: increase 1 st. in every 8th st.

2nd row: increase 1 st. in every 11th st. and break thread. This is the center of back.

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Press. Turn up 1 inch hem at bottom of jacket and 1½ inch hem for cuffs of sleeves, and hem lightly. Hem down facings on fronts. Press.

#### **SKIRT**

9 balls dark green 2204 Glow Crinkle 1 circular steel needle No. 4 (mill. gauge) 1 bone crochet hook No. 4 25 inches silk elastic, 3/8 inch wide

Cast on 300 sts. for lower edge of skirt. K 5 inches, then decrease 10 sts. in one round, knitting every 29th and 30th sts. together. K 4 inches and decrease 10 sts. in one round, knitting every 28th and 29th sts. together. K even for 4 inches and decrease 20 sts. in one round, knitting the 13th and 14th sts. together. Knit 3 inches and decrease 20 sts. in one round by knitting every 12th and 13th sts. together. There are now 240 sts. on needle.

Knit 2 inches then decrease 10 sts. in one round, knitting the 23rd and 24th sts. together. Knit 4 inches and decrease 10 sts. by knitting the 22nd and 23rd sts. together. Knit 3 inches and decrease 20 sts. in one round, knitting the 10th and 11th sts. together. Then knit 2 inches and decrease 10 sts. in one round, knitting the 19th and 20th sts. together. There are now 190 sts. on needle.

K 2 inches and decrease 10 sts. in one round by knitting the 18th and 19th sts. together. There are now 180 sts. on needle.

K 5 rounds, then decrease 10 sts. by knitting the 17th and 18th sts. together. Bind off loosely. Press.

Make beading around top of skirt running an elastic through the required length. Turn up  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch hem and hem lightly. Press hem.

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3rd row: Skip 5 sts. and crochet 1 s.c. in each st. ending in the 5th st. from end of the previous row, and break thread.

4th row: Begin 5 sts. from end of previous row and s.c. in each st. to 5 sts. from end of previous row and break thread. Continue for two more rows.

7th row: At center back begin working 1 s.c. in each stitch and continue around entire brim for 2 rows. On the second row work over a wire.

Chain about 24 inches or long enough to go around the crown and s.c. in each st. until work is about ½ inch wide. Place around crown and tie in loose knot.

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