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Party by the Pool Coverup
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SIMPLY SOFT PARTY™

DESCRIPTION   **SIZING**

This light cover-up is perfect for lounging after a dip in the pool.

Abbreviations

Ch(s) = Chain(s)   **hdc** = half double crochet   **Sl st** = Slip stitch
Dc = double crochet   **sc** = single crochet   **tr** = treble crochet

Details & Instructions

MEASUREMENTS

Finished Bust

XS	32" [81.5 cm]
S	37" [94 cm]
M	40" [101.5 cm]
L	43" [109 cm]
XL	48" [122 cm]
2XL	51" [129.5 cm]
3XL	57" [145 cm]
4XL	60" [152.5 cm]
5XL	63" [160 cm]

Finished Length

XS	28" [71 cm]
S	28" [71 cm]
M	28" [71 cm]
L	29" [73.5 cm]

XL	29" [73.5 cm]
2XL	29" [73.5 cm]
3XL	29" [73.5 cm]
4XL	30" [76 cm]
5XL	30" [76 cm]

MATERIALS

Coverup

Simply Soft Party (85 g/3. oz;150 m/164 yds)

Sizes	XS	M	L	3XL	5XL
Main Color (MC) Black Sparkle (0007)	7	8	9	12	13

GAUGE

In Diamond Lace pattern, 17 sts and 7 rows = 4"/10cm. **Notes:** Gauge is after blocking. Before blocking, the pieces will be narrower than shown on schematic.

INSTRUCTIONS

SPECIAL STITCHES
Fhdc: Foundation half double crochet (This technique creates a foundation chain and a row of half double crochet stitches in one) –
Step 1:Place a slip knot on hook, ch 3, yarn over, insert hook in 3rd ch from hook and draw up a loop; yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"); yarn over and draw through 3 loops on hook (the "half double crochet").
Step 2:Yarn over, insert hook into the "chain" of the previous stitch and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"), yarn over and draw through 3 loops on hook (the "half double crochet"). Repeat step 2 for the length of foundation.
First-dc: First double crochet in a row (instead of a traditional ch 3)—Ch 1, sc in first st, ch 2. **Note:** If preferred, you may work a traditional ch-3 turning ch to serve as the first dc in a row.
First-tr: First treble crochet in a row (instead of a traditional ch 4)—Ch 1, sc in first st, ch 3. **Note:** If preferred, you may work a traditional ch-4 turning ch to serve as the first tr in a row.

PATTERN STITCHES
Lace Diamond Pattern
Row 1: Ch 1, sc in first dc, ch 3, sk next ch-sp, sk next sc, sc in next sc, *ch 3, sc in next ch-sp, ch 3, sk next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across to last ch-sp, ch 3, sk last ch-sp, sc in last dc, turn.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, sc in first ch-sp, *ch 5, sc in next ch-sp, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-sp; repeat from * across to last ch-sp, sc in last ch-sp, sc in last st, turn.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *ch 3, sc in next ch-sp, ch 3, sk next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn.
Row 4: First-tr, ch 2, sc in first ch-sp, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-sp, *ch 5, sc in next ch-sp, sc in next sc, sc in next ch-sp; repeat from * across to last sc, ch 2, tr in last sc, turn.
Repeat Rows 1–4 for Lace Diamond pattern.

NOTE
Diamond Lace stretches and opens up when blocked and worn. Take care to stretch fabric gently when measuring, to simulate the blocked lace. This is particularly important when measuring sleeves. Sleeves tend to stretch more when worn than other pieces.

BACK
Note: If you prefer to begin piece with a traditional foundation chain, instead of Fhdc, work as follows: Ch 68 (**80**, 86, **92**, 104, **110**, 122, **128**, 132). Foundation Row: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn —67 (**79**, 85, **91**, 103, **109**, 121, **127**, 133) sts. Then proceed to Row 1 of instructions.
Fhdc 67 (79, 85, 91, 103, 109, 121, 127, 133).
Row 1 (set up for Lace Diamond pattern): First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—11 (**13**, 14, **15**, 17, **18**, 20, **21**, 22) pattern repeats. **Note:** A pattern repeat consists of a single 'diamond' of the Lace Diamond pattern. The diamonds will become more evident after the first 4 rows of the Lace Diamond pattern are worked.
Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until back measures about 28 (**28**, 28, **29**, 29, **29**, 29, **30**, 30)"/71 (**71**, 71, **73.5**, 73.5, **73.5**, 73.5, **76**, 76)cm when slightly stretched (to open up lace), end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off.

FRONT (make 2)

Note: If you prefer to begin piece with a traditional foundation chain, instead of Fhdc, work as follows: Ch 44 (**50**, 50, **56**, 62, **62**, 68, **74**, 74). Foundation Row: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—43 (**49**, 49, **55**, 61, **61**, 67, **73**, 73).Then proceed to Row 1 of instructions.

Fhdc 43 (**49**, 49, **55**, 61, **61**, 67, **73**, 73).

Row 1: First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—7 (**8**, 8, **9**, 10, **10**, 11, **12**, 12) pattern repeats.

Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until front measures same as back when slightly stretched, end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off.

SLEEVE (make 2)
Note: If you prefer to begin piece with a traditional foundation chain, instead of Fhdc, work as follows: Ch 62 (**62**, 68, **68**, 74, **74**, 80, **80**, 86). Foundation Row: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—61 (**61**, 67, **67**, 73, **73**, 79, **79**, 85) sts. Then proceed to Row 1 of instructions.

Fhdc 61 (**61**, 67, **67**, 73, **73**, 79, **79**, 85).

Row 1: First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—10 (**10**, 11, **11**, 12, **12**, 13, **13**, 14) pattern repeats.

Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until sleeve measures about 23 (**23**, 23, **23**, 23, **23**, 22, **22**, 21)"/58.5 (**58.5**, 58.5, **58.5**, 58.5, **58.5**, 56, **56**, 53.5)cm when slightly stretched, end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off. **Note:** Length of sleeve provides for a 3-4"/7.5-10cm cuff (to be folded back). If no cuff is desired, work each sleeve until it measures about 3-4"/7.5-10cm less than the measurements given.

FINISHING
Using yarn needle, weave in all ends. Block pieces to schematic measurements. Beginning at side edge, sew shoulder seams, sewing for about 5 (**6**, 6 1/2, **7**, 8, **8 1/2**, 10, **10 1/2**, 11)"/12.5 (**15**, 16.5, **18**, 20.5, **21.5**, 25.5, **26.5**, 28)cm, leaving about 6 (**6 1/2**, 7, **7 1/2**, 8, **8 1/2**, 8 1/2, **9**, 9 1/2)"/15 (**16.5**, 18, **19**, 20.5, **21.5**, 21.5, **23**, 24)cm unsewn across back neck. Place top of each sleeve across one side edge, centered over shoulder seam, and sew in place. Sew side and sleeve seams.

Hood
With WS facing, join yarn with sc at beginning of front neck edge, work 67 (**73**, 73, **79**, 85, **85**, 85, **91**, 91) sc evenly spaced around neck edge.

Row 1: First-dc, ch 2, sk next st, *sc in next 3 sts, ch 5, sk next 3 sts; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, sk next st, dc in last st, turn—11 (**12**, 12, **13**, 14, **14**, 14, **15**, 15) pattern repeats.

Beginning with Row 1, work Lace Diamond pattern until hood measures about 12"/30.5cm when slightly stretched, end with a Row 3 of the Lace Diamond pattern. Fasten off.

Block hood. Fold last row in half and seam for top of hood.

Front Edging: With RS facing, join yarn with sc in lower front corner, sc evenly spaced up front edge, around front hood edge, and down opposite front edge. Fasten off.

Sleeve Edging: With WS facing, join yarn with sc in sleeve seam, sc evenly spaced around sleeve edge; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off. Repeat around 2nd sleeve. **Note:** Sleeve edging is worked with WS facing, so that the RS of the edging will show when the cuff is folded back. If length for the cuff was omitted, work the sleeve edging with the RS facing.

5 (6, 6½, 7, 8, 8½, 10, 10½, 11)"

6 (6½, 7, 7½, 8, 8½, 8½, 9, 9½)"

| shoulder seam | shoulder seam |

BACK

28 (28, 28, 29, 29, 29, 30, 30)"

16 (18½, 20, 21½, 24, 25½, 28½, 30, 31½)"

5 (6, 6½, 7, 8, 8½, 10, 10½, 11)"

shoulder seam

FRONT

28 (28, 28, 29, 29, 29, 30, 30)"

10 (11½, 11½, 13, 14½, 14½, 16, 17, 17)"

SLEEVE

23 (23, 23, 23, 23, 22½, 22, 21)"

14½ (14½, 16, 16, 17, 17, 18½, 18½, 20)"