Little Moll's Dress & Cardigan Set - 3 Sizes

Yarn: DK/Light Worsted/8ply baby yarn

Each size is made using a different sized hook:

- **5mm (H) hook:** 6 - 12 mth size
  Gauge: 1 3dc shell is 1.4 inch wide, 3 rows of shells make 2.5 inches

- **4.5mm hook (G7):** 3 - 6 mth size - 18 inch chest
  Gauge: 1 3dc shell makes 1 inch wide, 3 rows of shells make 2 inches

- **3.5mm (E) hook:** 0 - 3 mth size - 16 ½ inch chest
  Gauge: 1 3dc shell makes 0.8 inch wide, 3 rows of shells make 1.5 inches

Terminology: US

Abbreviations:

Beginning (beg)	Loop (lp)	Slip Stitch (sl st)	Yarn Over (yo)
Chain (ch)	Repeat (rep)	Space (sp)	
Double Crochet (dc)	Single Crochet (sc)	Stitch (st)	
Half Double Crochet (hdc)	Skip (skp)	Triple/Treble (tr)	

Special Stitches

3dc Shell: Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc   **4dc Shell:** Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc

Dc5tog: Yo, insert hook into next st and draw up a loop, yo and draw through two loops on the hook - two loops remain on the hook - *yo, insert hook into next st and draw up another loop, yo insert hook into next st and pull through first two loops - three loops remain on hook*, repeat from * to * until 6 loops remain on hook, yo and pull through all loops on hook.

Hdc2tog: Yo, insert hook into sp indicated and draw up a loop, keeping all three loops on hook, yo again, insert hook into same sp and draw up another loop, yo and pull through all 5 loops on the hook.

Hdc3tog: Yo, insert hook into sp indicated and draw up a loop, keeping all three loops on hook, yo again, insert hook into same sp and draw up another loop, keeping all 5 loops on the hook, yo again, insert hook into same sp and draw up another loop , yo and pull through all 7 loops on the hook.

Hdc4tog: Yo, insert hook into first sp indicated and draw up a loop, keeping all three loops on hook, yo again, insert hook into same sp and draw up another loop, keeping all 5 loops on the hook, yo again, insert hook into next sp indicated and draw up another loop , keeping all 7 loops on the hook yo again, insert hook into same sp and draw up another loop, yo and pull through all 9 loops on the hook.

Triple/Treble Crochet: Yo hook twice, insert hook into stitch, yo hook and draw yarn through stitch - four loops on the hook - yo and pull through two loops, - three loops on hook - yo and pull through two loops, yo and pull through the last two loops on the hook.

Pattern Notes

Pattern is worked from the neck down. There are two dress options, a simple shift or a fuller skirted version. Cap sleeves, button bands and a collar are worked onto the dress after the body is made. Button bands, a collar and long sleeves are worked onto the cardigan after the body is made.

Dress/Cardigan

Ch56

Row 1: 5 dc in 5th ch from hook, * skp 2 ch, in next ch, dc, ch 2 and dc, skip 2 ch, 5 dc in next ch. Repeat from * across, ending with skip 2 ch, dc in last ch, turn (9 groups of 5dc).

Row 2: Ch6, dc5tog into 5dc of row below (see special stitches above), ch1 to secure the cluster, ch6, sl st in next ch2 sp, ch6. Repeat from * across, ending with dc5tog cluster, ch2, dc in top st of turning ch. turn.

Row 3: Ch3 (counts as a dc), 2dc in first ch2 sp, work 5dc in each 6ch sp across ending with 2dc in last sp, dc in top st of turning ch. Turn (16 sets of 5 dc with 3dc at either end).

Row 4: Ch4 (counts as a dc and a ch1), skip 1st st, *in next st work a 3dc shell (see special stitches above) skip 2 sts repeat from * across, ending with ch1, dc in top st of turning ch. turn (28 3dc shells made).

Row 5 & 6: Ch3 (counts as a dc), work across placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell, dc in top st of turning ch, turn.

Continue as follows for both versions of the dress…

Row 7: Ch3 (counts as a dc), work across placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell in the first 4 shells, skp next 5 shells (arm hole made), work across placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell in the next 10 shells, skip next 5 shells (other arm hole made), work across remaining 4 shells placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell, dc in top st of turning chain and then attach this dc to the ch3 with a sl st to join and make the dress - you will now be working in rounds (18 shells).

Round 8: Ch4, dc, ch1, dc into same st (counts as a 3dc shell), work a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell around, joining last to first with a sl st. (19 shells).

Continue as follows for the simple shift dress…

Round 9 - 19: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, dc, ch1, dc into same st (counts as a 3dc shell), work a 3dc shell into second ch1 of each shell around joining last to first with a sl st. (19 3dc shells).

Tie off and hide loose ends.

Continue as follows for the fuller skirted dress…

Round 9 - 13: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, dc, ch1, dc into same st (counts as a 3dc shell), work a 3dc shell into second ch1 of each shell around joining last to first with a sl st. (19 3dc shells).

Rounds 14 - 17: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc into same st (counts as a 4dc shell), work a 4dc shell in second ch1 of each shell around joining last to first with a sl st. (19 4dc shells)

Round 18: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, 5 tr into same st, work 6tr into centre ch1 sp of each 4dc shell around, joining last to first with a sl st. (19 groups of 6trs).

Round 19: Ch1 (counts as a sc), sc into each st around (114 sc).

Tie off and weave in ends.

Dress Collar

Attach yarn to the back of the dress at the neck at the top of the split on the left hand side. Ch2 (counts as a hdc), *work hdc3tog (see special stitches section above) in big loose loop, work hdc4tog over the next two ch sps (see special stitches section above), repeat from * around the neck, working a hdc into last st. Rotate the piece to work down the split at the back of the dress to create the button band - so do not tie off and continue as follows…

Dress Button Band

Row 1: Ch2 (counts as a hdc) work 2hdc into each dc ch sp down towards the bottom of the split, turn.

Row 2: Ch2 (counts as a hdc) work a hdc into each st accross.

Tie off and weave in ends.

Dress Button Hole Band

Row 1: Attach yarn to bottom of the split on the left hand side. Ch1 (counts as a sc), and work 3sc in each dc sp up towards the neck, sc in last st at the neck, turn.

Row 2: Ch1 (counts as a sc), sc in next st, *ch2, skp 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, repeat from * twice, sc in each st to end, turn.

Row 3: Ch1 (counts as a sc), sc in each st across, putting 2sc into each ch2 space (creates button holes).

Tie off and hide ends.

Dress Sleeves

Row 1: Attach thread in the centre under the arm, ch4, dc, ch1, dc (counts as a 3dc shell), work 3dc shells into 2nd ch1 of each shell on body, you should have 8 shells around, join last to first with a sl st.

Row 2: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, dc, ch1, dc (counts as a 3dc shell), work 3dc shells into 2nd ch1 of each shell on body, join last to first with a sl st.

Tie off and weave in ends.

Cardigan Cont/d…

Row 7: Ch3 (counts as a dc), work across placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell in the first 4 shells, skp next 5 shells (arm hole made), work across placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell in the next 10 shells, skip next 5 shells (other arm hole made), work across remaining 4 shells placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell, dc in top st of turning chain, turn.

Rows 8 - 16: Ch3 (counts as a dc), work across placing a 3dc shell in second ch1 of each shell, dc in top st of turning ch, turn.

Do not fasten off, rotate work to work up the front of the cardigan to create the button hole band.

Cardigan Button Hole Band

Row 1: Ch1 (counts as a sc), work sc in first dc ch sp, work 2 sc in each dc ch sp up the front of the cardigan up to the neck, placing one sc in last st, turn.

Row 2: Ch1, sc in next st, *ch2, skp 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, repeat from * four times to end and turn (5 ch2 sps create button holes), turn.

Row 3: Ch1, sc in each st across, putting 2sc into each ch2 space (creates button holes).

Again, do not fasten off, rotate work to work the collar around the neck.

Cardigan Collar

Row 1: Ch2 (counts as a hdc), *work hdc2tog in first ch sp, *work hdc3tog (see special stitches section above) in big loose loop, work hdc4tog over the next two ch sps (see special stitches section), repeat from * around the neck, working hdc2tog in last ch sp and a hdc into the last st.

Do not fasten off, rotate the piece to work down the front to create the button band.

Cardigan Button Band

Row 1: Ch1, work 2sc in each dc ch sp down the work, ending with a sc in last st, turn.

Row 2 - 3: Ch1, sc in each st across, turn.

Fasten off and hide ends.

Cardigan Sleeves

Row 1: Attach thread in the centre under the arm, ch4, dc, ch1, dc (counts as a 3dc shell), work 3dc shells into 2nd ch1 of each shell on body, you should have 8 shells around, join last to first with a sl st (8 3dc shells).

Rows 2 - 4: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, dc, ch1, dc (counts as a 3dc shell), work 3dc shells into 2nd ch1 of each shell around, join last to first with a sl st (8 3dc shells).

Row 5: Sl st into first ch1 sp, sl st into second ch1 sp, ch4, dc (creates a v st), work dc, ch1, dc (v st) into second ch1 sp of each shell around, join last v st to first with a sl st (8 v sts)

Rows 6 - 9: Sl st into centre of v st below, ch4, dc (creates a v st), work dc, ch1, dc (v st) into ch1 sp of each v st around on body, join last v st to first with a sl st.

Tie off and weave in ends.

Baby Soft Buttons

Round 1: Ch2, work 8hdc into first loop on hook, sl st last hdc to first to form a round.

Round 2: Sl st into each st around but into **front loop only.**

Tie off leaving a long tail with which to sew onto body of dress/cardigan.