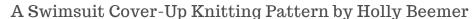
# AQUA SWIMSUIT COVER-UP







Vibrant and delicate, this purlless knit is worked in absorbent cotton to provide graceful drape.

## **SIZES**

child S - 11" wide, 22" long child M - 13" wide, 24" long child L - 15" wide, 26" long

Instructions for sizes are provided as follows: child's S (M, L)

# **GAUGE**

18 sts x 24 rows = 4" x 4" in Stockinette stitch

# **MATERIALS**

#### **YARN**

2 (2, 3) skeins of Cascade Yarns Ultra Pima Cotton in Aqua

#### **NEEDLES**

US #9/5.50 mm

#### **NOTIONS**

finishing needle

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

BO - bind off
CO - cast on
gs - garter stitch
k - knit
k2tog - knit 2 stitches together; single
right-leaning decrease
st(s) - stitch(es)
yo - yarn over

#### **NOTES**

This swimsuit cover-up is worked back and forth in one piece, then the edges are partially seamed. The bottom front, waist, and top front are worked, then the top back, waist, and bottom back are worked.

Length can be easily customized. Ensure that the width fits the recipient.

# **PATTERN**

#### SETUP

With Aqua, CO 44 (52, 60) sts.

#### **BODY**

Work in gs until work measures 1.5" (1.75", 2") in length.

Begin Open Lace Stitch.

#### OPEN LACE STITCH

Row 1 - k3, \*yo twice, k1\* to last 3 sts, k3 Row 2 - k all sts, dropping the yo from the needle as you come to them Row 3 - k3, \*yo twice, k1\* to last 3 sts, k3 Row 4 - k all sts, dropping the yo from the needle as you come to them Rows 5 to 8 - k all

Note that Rows 3 and 4 are identical to Rows 1 and 2.

Repeat these 8 rows until your work measures 14.5" (15.5", 17") in length.

# FRONT WAIST

Work 6 rows of gs.

Work Eyelet Row as follows: k5, \*yo, k2tog, k6\* to last 5 sts, k5

Work 7 rows of gs.

## **NECK**

Continue working in Open Lace Stitch until work measures 22" (24", 26").

Work 2 rows of gs.

# NECK (CONT.)

Shape neck as follows: Row 1 - k8, BO 28 (36, 44) sts, k8 Row 2 - k8, CO 28 (36, 44) sts, k8

Work 2 rows of gs.

#### **BACK**

The back is worked as the front, mirroring the stitches and construction until the end.

Begin Open Lace Stitch and work until the top back is even with the top front when garment is folded at the neckline.

# **BACK WAIST**

Work 6 rows of gs.

Work Eyelet Row as follows: k5, \*yo, k2tog, k6\* to last 5 sts, k5

Work 7 rows of gs.

## **BACK BODY**

Work in Open Lace Stitch until the back is even with the front when garment is folded at the neckline, then work Rows 1 to 4 once more.

Work in gs for 1.5" (1.75", 2").

BO all sts.

#### **FINISHING**

Weave in any loose ends.

Fold your garment at the neckline and seam the center 4" (4.5", 5") of the front where it lines up with the back.

## **BRAID**

Cut 9 pieces of yarn that are each 6' in length. Line up the pieces together and tie a knot in one end.

Separate the strands into three 3-piece sections and braid.

Tie another knot in the end.

Lace the braid through the eyelot holes and tie loosely in a bow.



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