


Carisbrooke Stole



The stole is named for a lovely little castle on the Isle of Wight located in the English Channel off the south coast of England's mainland, which I enjoyed visiting on a summer afternoon. Carisbrooke Castle has a famous, very long, set of stairs to the "keep," and you will find the stairs at each end of this stole, creating a lovely sculptural effect.

A light and lacy summer wrap, just right to keep shoulders warm in air conditioned buildings, or on outdoor summer evenings. Gently tapered ends add interest to the overall shape, and are reminiscent of the Carisbrooke Stairs.

Sizes and Materials List ...

Size:	15.5" x 77"
Hook(s):	US H8 (5.00 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge.
Yarn:	Opal Cotton Sock Yarn [30% cotton, 32% polyamid, 38% superwash wool, 410 m/449 yds ball] or any other self-stripping sock yarn
Colors & Approx. Yardage:	Any color, 975 yds
Notions:	Yarn Needle
Gauge:	8 rows in pattern = 4"/10cm although exact gauge is not essential for this pattern although smaller stitches will result in a stiffer, denser fabric and smaller finished measurements.  INTERMEDIATE

Notes ...

Increases	Increases in increase section are made similar to increases in filet crochet - by using chains, slip stitches, and foundation double crochet to extend the row beyond the width of the original chain. The "Increase group" of stitches is detailed in the Special Stitches section and is used for the first time for row 3. The instructions also include
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a symbol chart for more detailed instructions for the Increase Group (ig).

The total number of 4-dc groups in a row is indicated by [] at the end of the row.

Increase Section - Starting with a single 4-dc group, Rows 1-10 create “stair-step” increases at beginning and end of each row, until there are 9 4-dc groups in each row.

Stitches Used

Chain (ch)
Slip Stitch (sl st)
Single Crochet (sc)
Double Crochet (dc)
Foundation Double Crochet (fdc)

Abbreviations

Each (ea)
Skip (sk)
Stitch(es) (st / sts)
Yarn Over (yo)

Foundation Double Crochet (fdc)

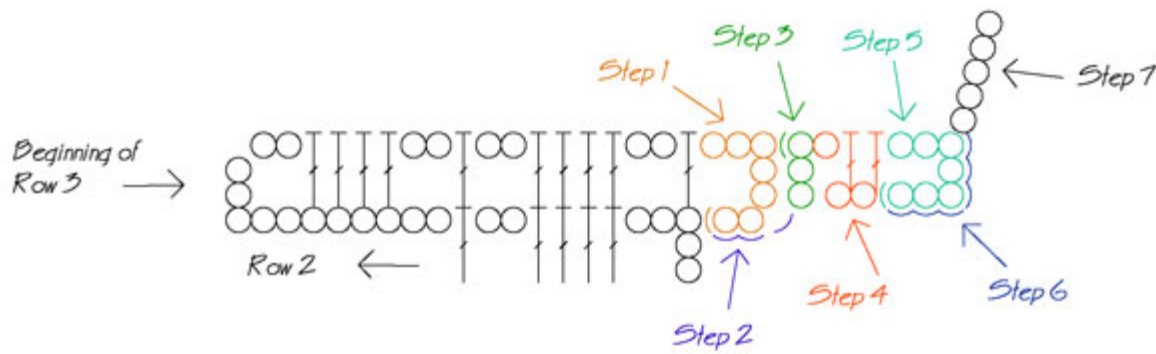
Yo and insert hook in place indicated (in this pattern, either the 3rd ch from the hook or the base of the last dc made). Yo and draw up a loop (3 loops on hook), yo and pull through 1 loop (chain stitch made, 3 loops still on hook), yo and pull through 2 loops, yo and pull through last 2 loops (dc stitch made). Several video tutorials are available online for fdc, if you are not familiar with this stitch.

Special Stitches

Increase Group (ig) - worked at the end of each increase row

Ch 7, sl st in same ch where dc was just made, turn and sl st in first ch from hook (7th ch of 7 made). Sl st in ea of next 2 ch, ch 3, sk next 2 ch, sl st in next (chains just completed count as 2 dc), ch 1, turn. Work an fdc, inserting hook in base of ch-3 just made (counts as 3rd dc), yo and insert hook in base of first fdc, complete another fdc (counts as 4th dc - 1 4-dc group added at end of row, consisting of ch-3, ch-3, fdc, fdc). Ch 7, sl st in base of last fdc made, turn and sl st in next 6 ch (counts as a ch-2 space and a dc in center ch of ch-5 turning chain).

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Key to Stitch Symbols

- = chain (ch)
- ~ = slip stitch (sl st)
- | = double crochet (dc)
- | = foundation double crochet (fdc)

Instructions

- Step 1 - ch 7, sl st in ch where last dc was made.
- Step 2 - turn and sl st in each of last 3 ch made.
- Step 3 - ch 3, sk 2 ch, sl st in next (top).
- Step 4 - ch 1, fdc, fdc again.
- Step 5 - ch 7, sl st in base of 2nd fdc.
- Step 6 - sl st in 6 ch just made.
- Step 7 - ch 5 to turn and start Row 4.

Instructions ...

Increase Section

Base Chain	Ch 14.
Row 1	Dc in 8th ch from hook and in ea of next 3 ch, ch 2, skip 2 ch, dc in last ch. [1 4-dc group]
Row 2	Ch 5, turn, dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, sk next 2 ch, dc in next ch. [1 4-dc group]
Row 3	(Increase Row) Ch 13, turn, dc in 8th ch from hook and in ea of next 3 dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning chain, work 1 ig (see notes). [3 4-dc groups]
Row 4	Ch 5, turn, *dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, ch 2,* repeat from * to * once, dc in ea of the next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5. [34-dc groups]
Row 5	(Increase Row) Ch 13, turn, dc in 8th ch from hook and in each of next 3 ch, *ch 2, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in ea of next 4 dc,* repeat from * to * across, ending with ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5, work 1 ig. [54-dc groups]
Row 6	Ch 5, turn, *dc in ea of the next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, ch 2,* repeat from * to * across, ending with 4 dc, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5. [5 4-dc groups]
Row 7	(Increase Row) Repeat row 5. [7 4-dc groups]

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Row 8	Repeat row 6. [7 4-dc groups]
Row 9	(Increase Row) Repeat row 5. [9 4-dc groups]
Row 10	Repeat row 6. [8 4-dc groups and Increase Section is complete] Do not fasten off.



Main Body Section

Pattern stitch is created by repeating rows 11- 14, across rows of 9 4-dc groups.

Row 11	Ch 13, turn, *dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, sc in next dc, ch 2,* repeat from * to * across, ending with dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5.
Row 12	Ch 5, turn, *dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 5,* repeat from * to * across, ending with ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5.
Row 13	Ch 5, turn, *dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, sc in 3rd ch of next ch-5 arch, ch 2,* repeat from * to * across, ending with ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5.
Row 14	Ch 5, turn, *dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in next sc, ch 2,* repeat from * to * across, ending with dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5, ch 5, turn.

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Row 15	Ch 5, turn, *dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, sc in next dc, ch 2,* repeat from * to * across, ending with dc in 3rd ch of turning ch-5.
	Repeat rows 11 through 14, ending with a row 14.
Rows 16-146	Repeat rows 12 through 15, ending with row 14 on row 146. Note: If a longer length is needed, continuing repeating rows 15 and 11-14 until the desired length is reached.



Decrease section

Mirroring rows 1-10, the other end of the stole decreases each row in stair-steps to create a matching end.

Row 1	Dc in ea of next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in next dc, *ch 2, dc in next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in next dc,* repeat from * to * across. Do not ch to turn. Turn. [9 4-dc groups]
Row 2	(Decrease Row) Sl st in last dc made and in ea of the next 9 chains and stitches (10 sl st). Ch 5, dc in ea of next 4 dc, *ch 2, dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in ea of next 4 dc,* repeat from * to * 5 times, ch 2, dc in next dc, leaving remaining sts unworked. [7 4-dc groups]
Row 3	Ch 5, turn, repeat row 1. [7 4-dc groups]
Row 4	(Decrease row) Repeat row 2, working to beginning of last pattern repeat. [5 4-dc groups]

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Row 5	Ch 5, turn, repeat row 1. [5 4-dc groups]
Rows 6-7	Repeat rows 4 and 5. [3 4-dc groups]
Rows 8-9	Repeat rows 4 and 5. [1 4-dc group]

Finishing ...

At end of row 9, fasten off and weave in all ends. This project will benefit from blocking the ends, by misting thoroughly with water and pinning the corners of the increasing and decreasing “stair-steps,” stretched out, until dry.



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