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Plus Size Crochet: Fashions That Fit & Flatter



Synopsis

At last, a book of crochet patterns devoted entirely to the plus-size woman! Plus-size gals are a group that seems to be neglected in the plethora of crochet books on the market. The author, Margaret Hubert, has often been approached at trade shows and through her classes by women in this size category, begging her to design patterns that would fit them. A plus-size crocheter cannot simply take a smaller pattern and increase the number of stitches or rows to get a garment that fits and flatters. There are lots of proportion considerations when designing patterns for larger sizes. Plus Size Crochet has 20 crocheted garments and accessories for plus-size women. The projects are stylish and flattering for various large figure types. There are also hints and tips to help the crocheter accommodate her special needs. Only crochet book for plus-size women Similar to the books in our popular 'Hooked' series: easy to use with lay-flat wire-o binding, stitch detail photos, project specs at a glance Includes crochet basics section with step-by-step photos

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Customer Reviews

I was very disappointed when I read this book. I was hoping for a crochet version of the Big Girl Knits books, with fashion-forward and trendy patterns. Despite the bright colors, the sweaters are frumpy. How many button front cardigans does one need? I live in a cold climate, and I own only one. The obvious plus size styles are all here: big, thick vertical stripes; oversized cardigans, oversized pullovers. Clothes that cling to outdated rules about what looks best on 'heavy' women. There are no styles that show off the plus size woman in her best light, whether she is an apple, a

pear, or in-between. How about an equestrienne jacket or a sexy mock-surplice top? Maybe a cool bamboo or linen hoodie with a zipper? Even, gasp, a few skinny horizontal stripes. Another complaint I have is with the shaping instructions. Plus size women often need extra room through the back, bust, armholes, upper arms, ribcage, waist, hips, derriere, etc. In some cases, we need less room in one area and more in another. In sewing this is accomplished through darts, yokes, pleats, etc. Ms. Hubert seems to address mainly armhole, upper arm, and waist. I also really dislike it when there are no diagrams to accompany the patterns. This makes it difficult for anyone who is not standard height to adapt the pattern. Consider that I am 5'1" and 42DD. Also a 2X. But my arms are short for a petite 1X. I have a 25" inseam, as well! What looks like a normal V-neck may end up at my belly button! I also agree with the reviewer above who complained about the lack of variety in shoulder styles. A raglan actually fits my small shouldered busty frame better than anything else. On the plus side: I don't mind chunky yarns in outerwear, such as the cute mohair coat.

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