

# Easy Crochet Bear Sweater

*A Pam Greswolde Creation*

Fits 9 inch bear

1 oz. Worsted weight yarn, G hook

**NOTE: If you crochet loose you may want to use a smaller hook. 5 dc = 1 inch**

Chain 41

**Row 1:** dc in the 4<sup>th</sup> chain from the hook and the next 4 chains, 3 dc in the next ch, dc in the next 6 ch, 3 dc in the next ch, dc in the next 11 ch, 3 dc in the next ch, dc in the next 6 ch, 3dc in next ch, dc in the last 6 ch. Chain 2 and turn.

**Rows 2-6:** dc in each cc across putting 3 dc in center of dc of 3dc group below. Chain 2 and turn.

**Row 7:** dc to center of the first 3dc group, ch 4, skip across to the next 3dc group, dc in center of st (this makes the armhole) and each st across to the center stitch of 3<sup>rd</sup> dc group, ch 4, skip to last 3dc and dc in center of 3dc group and across to the end. Chain 2 and turn.

**Rows 8 – 12** dc in each dc across including both of the chain 4 stitches. Chain 2 and turn.

## Finish:

**Option 1:** Chain 1, work 1 sc in each stitch up the front side of sweater. Work 2 sc in corner and 1 sc in each neck stitch. At end of neck do 2 sc and then sc down the last front side. Finish off.

**Option 2:** Use this option if you want to put buttons on the sweater. Chain 1, work 2 sc in each stitch up the front side of sweater. Work 2 sc in corner and 1 sc in each neck stitch. At end of neck do 2 sc and then 2 sc down the last front side. Finish off.

**Sleeves:** Join yarn to the center stitch at bottom of armhole and dc around the sleeve. Work the desired numbers of rows to give you sleeve length you wish. Finish off.

