Bikini top

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MATERIALS & TOOLS

Yarn → Alize Diva Stretch, 100g/400m (Microfibra 92% and Elastane 8%).

Crochet hook size → 2,50mm or according to the yarn.

→ Sewing needle, scissors, stitch marker.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch → chain stitch

sl.st → slip stitch

sc → single crochet stitch

hdc → half double crochet stitch

[...] → work directions inside square brackets into stitch as indicated

hdc-inc → increase – crochet two half double crochet stitches in the same stitch

reverse sc → instead of working from right to left, you work from left to right.

SIZE OF THE TOP BIKINI

The size of the top bikini is small.

Adjust to larger sizes by working additional rows or stitches to the beginning chain.

If you use different yarns than those indicated in the pattern, it is possible you may need to crochet more or less rows.

CROCHET TERMINOLOGY

This pattern is designed by using US terminology.

NOTES

The bust is crocheted in rows.

Check the piece of your work against the person for whom it is being made as you go.

Use a stitch marker or a piece of yarn to mark the the top stitch (the 2nd of the 3 hdc) in each row.

All stitches are worked into both loops unless instructed otherwise in the pattern.

Start each row with chain 2 and turn over, this is a turning chain and you don't crochet into it. The first stitch of each row is the last stitch of the previous row.

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FIRST BUST

Row 1 Begin with chain 20. Start in the 3rd chain from the hook, 18 hdc, turn

Row 2 Ch 2, 17 hdc, [5 hdc] in the last stitch (place the stitch marker in the 3rd hdc). This will be the top stitch of the next row. Work down the other side of the chain 18 hdc, turn

Row 3 Ch 2, 1 hdc in each stitch across (until you reach the marked top), [3 hdc] (place your stitch marker in the 2nd hdc), 1 hdc in each of the remaining stitches across.
You will need to mark the 2nd of the three hdc on the top stitch in each row from now on.

Repeat row 3 until you have the desired size. Check the size of the bust as you work. If it needs adjust to larger size by working additional rows or stitches.

STRAP

Row 4 Ch 2, 1 hdc in each stitch across (until you reach the marked top), [2 hdc, Ch 130 (adjust the chain to fit to the person for whom it is being made), work down the chain, start in the 2nd chain from the hook, 1 sl.st. in each chain across, 1 hdc in the same (top) stitch], 1 hdc in each of the remaining stitches across.

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BOTTOM OF THE BUST

Row 5 Turn the bikini bust upside down with the right side facing you.
1 sc in each stitch along the top edge of the bust, turn

Row 6 Work in the **FRONT** loops (the wrong side of the bust is facing you).
Ch 2, 1 hdc in each stitch across.

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Row 7 Work in the remaining back stitches of row 6 (the right side is facing you), I sl.st. in the first loop, 1 reverse sc in each stitch across.

Fasten off and hide the ends.

SECOND BUST Repeat rows 1-7.

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CORD

Begin with Ch 450, (adjust the chain to fit to the person for whom it is being made), work down the chain, start in the 2nd chain from the hook, 1 sl.st. in each chain across.
Fasten off and hide the ends.

For a perfect fit sew cups in triangular shape to the inside of the busts.
Place and pin the cup as shown in the picture. With a needle and elastic sewing thread, sew the cup using back stitches for an invisible result.

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Using a needle pull the cord through the stitches of round 6 of the busts.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! Your **bikini** is ready!

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