



## Grace Notes Victorian Underwear

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### Materials:

- Cotton yarn. I have used both worsted (Rowan Handknit Cotton) and sportweight (Reynolds Saucy Sport)
- Size 3 straight and double point needles.
- Size 2 double point needles
- Size C or D crochet hook for camisole straps and edging.

**Gauge:** 6 sts = 1 inch

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**Terms:** tbl = through the back loop  
yo = yarn over needle, to create an eyelet increase



*bloomers in worsted weight on the left; sportweight on the right*

**Bloomers:** the lace edging is worked on straight needles, then transferred to double points to finish. The lace pattern is taken from 'Nicky Epstein, The Essential Collection, 500 of Her Favorite Original Borders.'

**First leg:** CO22 sts

1: (wrong side) K22

2: K1, yo, \*K5, slip the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th sts over the first st, yo; repeat from \*, ending with K1

3: P1, \*[P1, yo, K1 tbl} in the next st; P1; repeat from \* to the end

4: K2, K1tbl, \*K3, K1tbl; repeat from \* ending with K2

5: K across

6-8: K1, \*yo, K2tog; repeat from \* to the end. At this point you should have 21 sts on your needle. Transfer the stitches to three dpns, with 7 sts in each needle.

9-14: K21

15: Bind off three sts, K18 including the last st of the bindoff. Cut yarn leaving a long tail; place the sts on a spare needle and work the second leg, but do **not** cut the yarn. Put the sts for the legs on two needles, nine sts each needle on either side of the bound off sts.

**Joining the legs:**

16: Work nine sts on each needle, with the bound off sts facing each other at the crotch. 36 sts

17-20: K36

21: K1, K2tog, K3, K2tog, K1 on each needle. 28sts, seven sts per needle.

22: K28, **change to smaller size dpn's for waistline ribbing**

23-26: Work (K2, P2) ribbing around. Bind off knitwise at the end of round 26.

Stitch the crotch seam closed and weave in the ends and you're finished!



*Camisole in worsted weight on the left; sportweight on the right*

**Camisole:** Same lace pattern as for the bloomers, the camisole is worked on single point needles only.

CO 32 sts. If you like, you can work rows 1 thru 4 in a contrasting color. Use this color for the straps and camisole edge also.

1: (wrong side) K32

2: K1, yo, \*K5, slip the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th sts over the first st, yo; repeat from \*, ending with K1

3: P1, \*[P1, yo, K1 tbl} in the next st; P1; repeat from \* to the end

4: K2, K1tbl, \*K3, K1tbl; repeat from \* ending with K2

5: K across

6-12: K1, \*yo, K2tog; repeat from \* to the end. Bind off loosely purlwise. If using a contrasting color for straps, cut yarn. If not, do not cut the yarn. Turn the work so you are working across the top of the camisole.

**For straps and edging:** Join yarn with sc in the first st at the top of the camisole, sc in the next six sts (ch1, sc in side of the previous sc) six or seven times to create first strap (I did six when making up in worsted yarn, and seven when making up in sportweight). Skip next three sts, sc in the next nine sts, (ch1, sc in the side of the previous sc) six times to create second strap, sc in the last seven sts. Join with sl st to the first sc and finish off. Weave in all the ends and you're done!

**Some notes on the lace pattern:** Row 5 calls for a knit row, which creates a garter stitch line. The bloomers and the worsted camisole were knitted this way. On the sportweight cami, I changed this to a

purl row, which gives a stockinette appearance to the front of the cami. You can do whichever you like best.