



Grace Notes Simple Sundress and Shrug

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For nine inch knit Grace Notes doll

Materials:

- Light worsted yarn. Model was made using Berroco Vintage in MC blue and CC yellow
- Size 3 single point and double point knitting needles
- Size 4 double point needles (for shrug finishing).
- Size D crochet hook for finishing the bodice and picking up stitches on the shrug.

Gauge: 11 sts = 2 inch in stockinette on size 3 needles

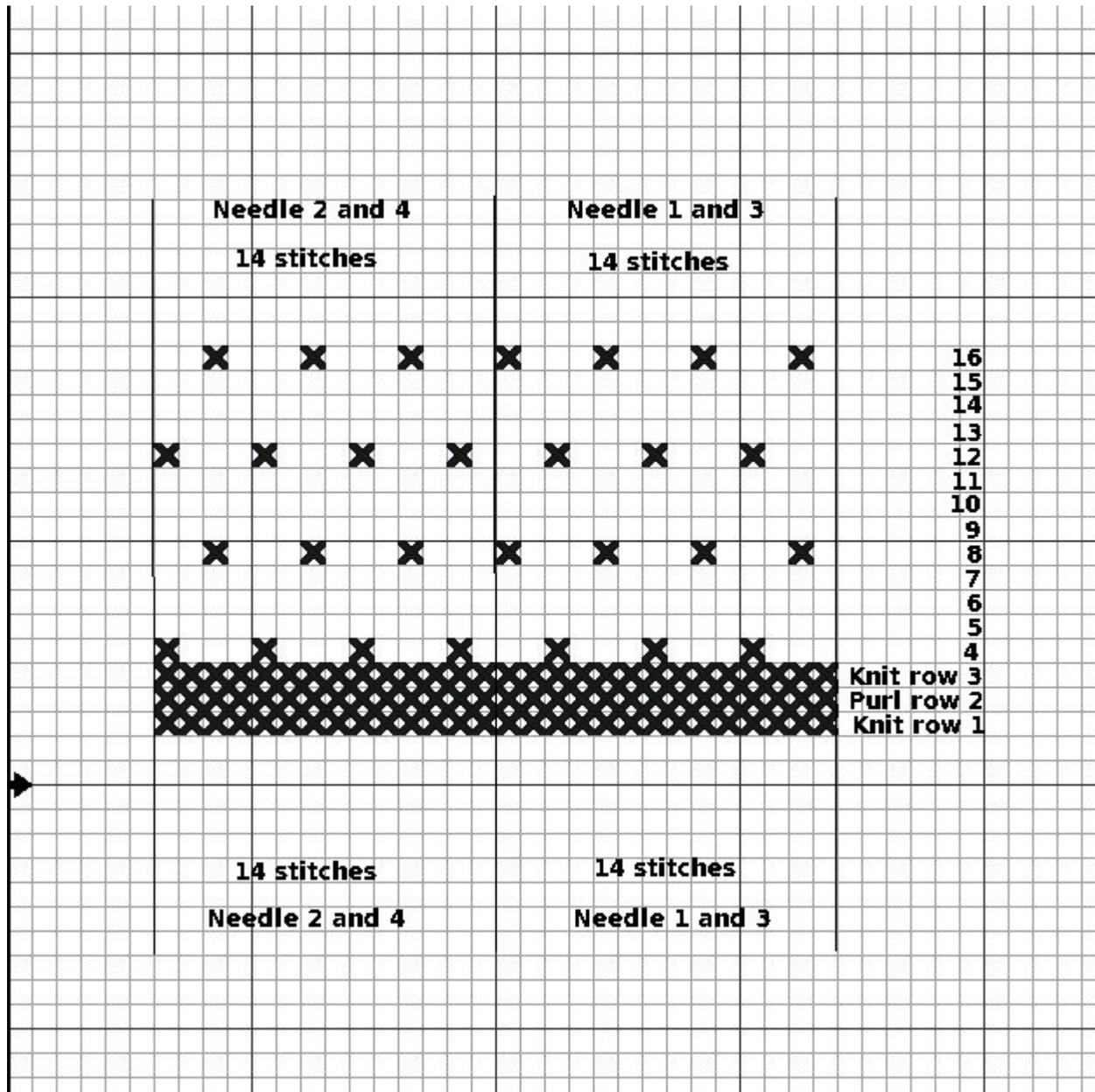
Skirt and bodice: Beginning at the bottom of the dress, with size 3 needles CO56 sts in contrasting color and divide evenly over four dpns, 14 sts per needle.

1: K56

2: P56

3: K56

4-16: work according to the chart below; each 'x' is a st in the contrasting color, blank space on the chart is main color.



I know the chart is a bit clunky, but it was the best I could do using my cross stitch program and some free graphic manipulation software. The graph represents one-half of the skirt.

17: working in main color now and throughout, K56

18-28: K56

29: (K2tog) across each needle. 28 sts total, seven stitches on each needle.

30: K28

31: P28

32-37: repeat rows 30 and 31, ending in a purl row. With one size larger needle, bind off knitwise.

For knit shoulder straps:

With smaller needle, pick up two stitches at the top of the bodice, starting with the 10th stitch.

Working back and forth work garter stitch for 2 inches, about 20 rows. Bind off. Pick up two sts beginning with the 18th st and work a second strap same as the first. Stitch the straps to the back of the bodice, with four bodice sts under each arm. If desired, trim the neckline and armhole openings with (sl st, ch1) crochet.

For crochet shoulder straps (these are on the model):

Join yarn with sc in first st at the back of the bodice. Sc in the next four sts, (Ch1, sc in the front loop and back bar of the last sc made) 7 times (the strap will look braided with this stitch. If you'd rather, just chain 7 or 8 for the strap). Skip four knit sts, sc in the next knit st and the next nine knit sts, (ch1, sc in the front loop and back bar of the last sc made) 7 times. Skip four knit sts, sc in the last five knit sts. Finish off.



Shrug: Worked from wrist to wrist as a shaped rectangle. With size 3 single point needles CO 16 in contrasting color, leaving a long tail to sew up the cuff seam.

1-4: K16

5: P16. Change to main color, leaving a long tail to sew the arm seam.

6: K16

7: P16

8-11: repeat rows 6 and 7

12: K2, lifted increase, K12, lifted increase, K2. 18 sts

13: P18

14: K2, lifted increase, K14, lifted increase, K2. 20 sts

15-37 : Work even in stockinette st, beginning with a purl row.

38:K2, K2tog, K12, K2tog, K2. 18 sts

39: P18

40: K2, K2tog, K10, K2tog, K2. 16 sts

41-45: work even in stockinette st beginning with a purl row. Change to contrast color after row 45. Leave a long tail of the main color to sew up the arm seam.

46: K16

47: P16

48-50: K16, bind off knitwise, leaving a long tail to sew up one arm seam.

Sew each arm seam up to the point where the shrug increases.

Collar finishing:

With double point needles, pick up stitches around the circumference of the shrug in a multiple of four (for K2, P2 ribbing), taking two or three extra stitches at each seam. I worked 14 sts on each needle, the number of sts you work may vary from this slightly. Work four rows of ribbing, then bind off knitwise with a size larger needle. You want the finished edge to be loose and stretchy.