



Seashell Lace Skirtie



I love skirties! I figure, if I'm going to take the time to knit a soaker, it may as well be cute outerwear too. This one didn't take too much time, and so I thought I would share it with the world. Hope you like it.

This skirtie was created to be crocheted onto any wool soaker (cloth diaper cover). The soaker in the picture is knitted, but it can easily be done with a crocheted soaker. This could also be created just as a cute skirt, without using it as a soaker. You could easily use a soaker pattern with a fiber other than wool (or wool if you like) and then just put it over a disposable diaper, and you'd have a cute little skirt with an underskirt.

Since this is added onto any soaker, I cannot give you exact pattern instructions~ like number of stitches. This is sort of a template.

Materials

- wool yarn~ I used a light worsted.
- 16" circular knitting needle, size that was used for body of soaker (or your best guess)
- crochet hook~ I used size E

<i>List of Abbreviations</i>	
ch=chain	ch=chain
sl st=slip stitch	sl st=slip stitch
dc=double crochet	dc=double crochet

Pattern Notes

You will pick up stitches just under the ribbing of the waistband and begin working downward. As you work, your soaker will be upside down.

For knitting:

Using circular needle, pick up one stitch for each stitch of soaker at the very bottom of the ribbing. Knit 2 rows. Bind off. I used a double crochet bind off. The last stitch left on your needle will be used to begin crocheting. Now you are ready to begin the skirtie.

The knit maintains the stretchiness at the top of the soaker. It's only 2 rows, but I like to take the time to do it. I think it's a nicer fit when pulling on the soaker.



For crocheting:

Join with sc at the bottom of the ribbing. Sc in each stitch all the way around. If using a knit soaker, you may have to put your hook around both loops of each knit stitch. The important part is that the stitches are secure and are not pulling and stretching the knit stitches. If you are using a crocheted soaker, then simply crochet around the posts of the stitches under the waistband of the soaker.

Sc 2 rounds, joining with a slip stitch at end of each round. Do not turn. Just ch 1, sc in each sc, around.

Skirt

Seashell: (dc, ch2, dc) in same stitch

Throughout working the skirt, do not turn. You will be working with right side facing you. Remember, you are working from the top, down. (Soaker will be upside down as you work.) You will be working in the bind off stitches (if knitted) or into the previous sc stitches (if crocheted).

Round 1:

Ch 1, sc in same stitch, sk 1 st, *Seashell in next st, sk 1 st, sc in next st,* around. Join with sl st.

Round 2:

Ch 2, Seashell in same sc, *sc in next ch-2 space, Seashell in next sc, *around. Join with sl st.

Repeat this Seashell pattern (from Round 2), working a Seashell in each sc and a sc in each ch-2 space until you reach the top of the leg hole. Then you will work 1 increase round.

Increase Round:

Continue to work Seashell pattern, with one change. Work 1 Seashell in each sc, but in each ch-2 space work (sc, Seashell, sc). This will give you the little flare at the bottom of the skirt.

Resume working Seashell pattern. (Now you will have more Seashells than before, but work the pattern as you did in the rest of the skirt. You do not want to keep increasing.) Continue working this pattern until the skirt is the desired length. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

I hope you enjoy your Seashell Lace Skirtie!

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