Fall Retro Vest

Abbreviations:
- ch = chain
- st = stitch
- sl st = slip stitch
- dc = double crochet
- sc = single crochet
- rnd = round
- dec = decrease

Things You Will Need:
- Worsted weight yarn
- K crochet hook
- Measuring tape
- Scissors
- Straight pins
- Yarn needle

Special Notes:
- The amount of yarn needed will depend on your custom fit. The example is a large that used 10 oz. worsted weight yarn.
- No gauge is given for this pattern as the vest is stitched to custom fitted measurements.
- Body rows are worked vertically. Ends of rows are the top and bottom of the vest body.
- Back yoke and straps are worked horizontally.

Body
Ch 52
Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from the hook and in each ch across.
Row 2: Ch 3, turn. Dc in each st across.
Repeat Row 2 until Body loosely equals your bust measurement. Do not fasten off.

Body Border
Ch 3. DO NOT TURN. 2 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in base of ch 3 (corner made). 2 dc in the ends of each body row. 3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in the next corner. Dc in each st of the beginning ch. 3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in the next corner. 2 dc in the ends of each body row. 3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in the next corner. Dc in each st across. Sl st to the top of beginning ch 3. Note: The
side facing you is the right side of the body. Fasten off. Weave in the end.

Back Yoke
Ch 30
Row 1: Dc in the 4th ch from the hook and in each ch across.
Row 2: Ch 3, turn. Dc in each stitch across.
Rows 3-10: Repeat Row 2. Do not fasten off.

First Strap
Row 11: Ch 3, turn. Dc in first 13 sts.
Row 12: Ch 3, turn. Dc dec, dc across.
Row 13: Ch 3, turn. Dc across to last 2 sts, dc dec.
Rows 14-17: Repeat Rows 12 and 13.
Rows 18-30: Ch 3, turn. Dc in each st across. Fasten off after last row.

Second Strap
Attach yarn to last stitch of Row 10 of yoke. Repeat instructions used in First Strap.
Attaching Yoke and Straps

**Step 1:** Lay the body on your work surface with the right side facing up. Determine which long edge of the body will be the top edge. Find the center stitch.

**Step 2:** Find the center stitch on the beginning row of the yoke.

**Step 3:** Lay the yoke on top of the body with the straps hanging down. Pin the center stitch of the yoke and the center stitch of the body together. Line up the remaining stitches of the yoke with the stitches on the body and pin.

**Step 4:** Whip-stitch the pinned edges together using yarn and a yarn needle.

**Step 5:** Fold the ends of the straps up and even with the top of the body. The right side of the straps are now facing up. Fold the short ends of the body to the center. The wrong side of the body is now facing up. Pin the ends of each strap 10 sts in from the center.

**Step 6:** Whip-stitch the pinned edges together using yarn and a yarn needle.

Edging

**Step 1:** Attach the yarn to the center, bottom back of the body with the right side

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facing up. Ch 1. Sc in each stitch around the body, 2 sc in the row ends of the yoke and straps of the neck. Sl st to the beginning ch 1 st. Fasten off and weave in the end. **Step 2:** Attach the yarn to the center, bottom of one armhole with the right side facing up. Ch 1. Sc around the armhole in the same way as Step 1. Fasten off and weave in the end. Repeat on the other armhole.

**Drawstring**
Ch 200. Fasten off. Knot each end. Start on one side at the top, front opening of the body. Weave the drawstring through the top row of dc around the body, ending on the other side of the top, front opening.