**BIKINI “MIMOSA”**

yarn **MEMPHIS**

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**MATERIAL**

**ADRIAFILE YARNS**

**MATERIALS REQUIRED**

A total of 150 g. `Memphis` yarn consisting of 100 g. écru no. 12 and 50 g. orange no. 98. Crochet hook no. 3.50. Tapestry needle.

**Size:** 42

**PATTERN STITCHES**

- Chain stitch.
- Double crochet.
- Treble crochet.
- **Reverse stitch:** work like dc. from left to right.

**GAUGE**

10x10 cm. with crochet hook no. 3.50 work in tr. = 18 sts. and 22 rows

**WORKING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Panties:** work in two parts starting from the back crotch. With the écru yarn cast on a chain of 14 sts. and, as from the 2nd chain on the crochet hook, work in dc. When work measures 2 cm. from beg. of work incr. at ends 1 st. every 2 rows 21 times, 2 sts. every 2 rows twice. When work measures 23.5 cm. from beg. of work (corresponding to 52 rows), for the waistband, cont. with the orange yarn then work :

- **Row 53:** 1 tr., * 2 trs., 1 chain, 1 tr., rep. from * to *, 3 dcs.
- **Row 54:** 3 dcs., * 1 chain, 1 tr. in each of the next 2 trs. *, rep. from * to *, 1 tr.
- **Rows 56 and 57:** with the écru yarn, work like row 55.
- **Row 58:** with the écru yarn work in dc. Break off and bind the yarn.

With the écru yarn pick up work on other side of the initial chain and, for the front work in dc. When work measures 7 cm. from beg. of the front incr. at ends every 4 rows 4 times, 1 st. every row 13 times, 2 st. every row 4 times. When work measures 23.5 cm. from beg. of work the waistband in same way as back. Break off and bind the yarn.

For the centre strap (joining the bra) join the orange yarn to the 1st of the 11 centre sts. of the edge of the waistband then work : 3 dcs., 1 chain, 1 tr. 2 trs., 1 chain, slip 1 st. 3 dcs. Cont. like this for 10 cm., then incr. at ends 1 tr. every row 5 times. When work measures 17.5 cm. from beg. of work, work 1 row in dc. working 1 st. in each tr. and each chain. Break off and bind the yarn.

**Bra:** work the 2 cups separately. For the first cup, with the orange yarn cast on a chain of 16 sts. and, as from the 2nd chain on the crochet hook, work in dc. When work measures 14 cm. from beg. of work cont. following the chart, then break off and bind the yarn. Make the second cup to match the first.

**MAKE UP AND FINISH**

Sew up the side edge of each cup (shown on the chart by an asterisk) to one half of the upper edge of the centre strap matching the two sizes (ruffle the edge of the cup slightly). With the orange yarn trim the inner edges of the cups [neckline] with 1 row in reverse stitch. Sew up the sides.

Work the strings with the orange yarn: for the back strings make two 80 cm. long chains; fold in half and knot each chain to one end of the back bra [back]. Bind the chain half way and at the free end with the knot. Work in the same way the strings for the shoulder straps, by working two 100 cm. chains, knot the two chains at the top of the cups.

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**Diagram:**

- **RIGHT CUP:**
  - =chain
  - =dc.
  - =tr.
  - =end of work
  - =orange
  - =écru

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[Diagram of the bikini pattern]