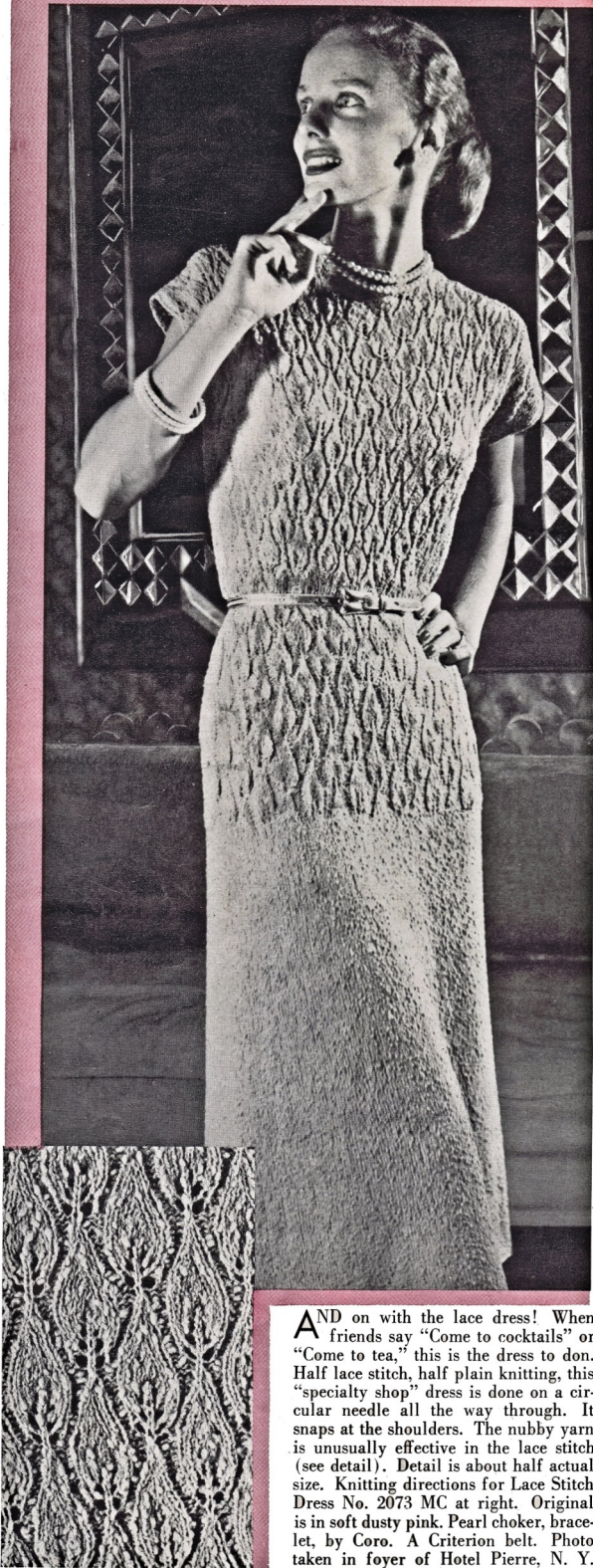


# Five O'clock On!



**AND** on with the lace dress! When friends say "Come to cocktails" or "Come to tea," this is the dress to don. Half lace stitch, half plain knitting, this "specialty shop" dress is done on a circular needle all the way through. It snaps at the shoulders. The nubby yarn is unusually effective in the lace stitch (see detail). Detail is about half actual size. Knitting directions for Lace Stitch Dress No. 2073 MC at right. Original is in soft dusty pink. Pearl choker, bracelet, by Coro. A Criterion belt. Photo taken in foyer of Hotel Pierre, N. Y.

## Lace Stitch Dress No. 2073 MC

SIZE 16

(Shown at left)

**Materials:** Bear Brand or Bucilla Caprice, 20 1-oz. skeins. Bucilla circular steel knitting needle size 2 (standard), English size, 11. Steel crochet hook size 4.

**Gauge:** 15 sts = 2"; 11 rnds or rows = 1".

Abbreviations on page 64.

**Skirt:** Cast on 368 sts. Join, with care not to twist sts on needle. Mark end of rnds. K 4" even. *First dec rnd:* \* K 2 tog, k 21; repeat from \* to end (16 decs); 352 sts. Work 4" even between each dec rnd.

*Note:* Always include last dec rnd in part worked even. *2nd dec rnd:* \* K 2 tog, k 20; repeat from \* to end. *3rd dec rnd:* \* K 2 tog, k 19; repeat from \* to end. *4th dec rnd:* \* K 2 tog, k 18; repeat from \* to end. Work even until 19½" from beg or 9½" less than desired blocked length. *5th dec rnd:* \* K 2 tog, k 17; repeat from \* to end; 288 sts.

**Lace Pattern:** Multiple of 16. *Rnd 1:* \* P 4, y o, k 1, y o, p 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 3; repeat from \* to end; 18 pats. *Rnd 2:* \* P 4, k 3, p 4, k 6; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 3:* \* P 4, k 1, y o, k 1, y o, k 1, p 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 2; repeat from \* to end (18 sts in each pat). *Rnd 4:* \* P 4, k 5, p 4, k 5; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 5:* \* P 4, k 2, y o, k 1, y o, k 2, p 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 1; repeat from \* to end (19 sts in each pat). *Rnd 6:* \* P 4, k 7, p 4, k 4; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 7:* \* P 4, k 3, y o, k 1, y o, k 3, p 4, k 2, k 2 tog; repeat from \* to end (20 sts in each pat). *Rnd 8:* \* P 4, k 9, p 4, k 3; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 9:* \* P 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 5, p 4, k 1, k 2 tog; repeat from \* to end (18 sts in each pat). *Rnd 10:* \* P 4, k 8, p 4, k 2; repeat from \* to end.

*Rnd 11:* \* P 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 4, p 4, k 2 tog; repeat from \* to end (16 sts in each pat). *Rnd 12:* \* P 4, k 7, p 4, k 1; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 13:* \* P 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 3, p 4, y o, k 1, y o; repeat from \* to end (17 sts in each pat). *Rnd 14:* \* P 4, k 6, p 4, k 3; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 15:* \* P 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 2, p 4, k 1, y o, k 1, y o, k 1; repeat from \* to end (18 sts in each pat). *Rnd 16:* \* P 4, k 5, p 4, k 5; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 17:* \* P 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 1, p 4, k 2, y o, k 1, y o, k 2; repeat from \* to end (19 sts in each pat). *Rnd 18:* \* P 4, k 4, p 4, k 7; repeat from \* to end.

*Rnd 19:* \* P 4, k 2, k 2 tog, p 4, k 3, y o, k 1, y o, k 3; repeat from \* to end (20 sts in each pat). *Rnd 20:* \* P 4, k 3, p 4, k 9; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 21:* \* P 4, k 1, k 2 tog, p 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 5; repeat from \* to end (18 sts in each pat). *Rnd 22:* \* P 4, k 2, p 4, k 8; repeat from \* to end. *Rnd 23:* \* P 4, k 2 tog, p 4, k 2, k 2 tog, k 4; repeat from \* to end (16 sts in each pat). *Rnd 24:* \* P 4, k 1, p 4, k 7; repeat from \* to end. Repeat from rnd 1 to rnd 23 once. *Rnd 48:* Work as for rnd 24, purling the 2 center sts of each p 4 stripe tog; 252 sts. Continue pat with only 3 p sts in each p stripe for 35 rnds. *Next rnd:* Dec 1 st in every p stripe and continue with 2 p sts in each p stripe for 12 rnds more, end with Pat Rnd 24; 216 sts. Bind off.

**WAIST:** Cast on 216 sts, join, with care not to twist sts. Work k 1, p 1 ribbing for 1". *Inc rnd:* Continuing ribbing, \* work 4 sts, inc 1 st in next st, work 3 sts, inc 1 st in next st; repeat from \* to end; 264 sts. Work pat with 2 p sts in each p stripe; 12 sts in each pat, 22 pats, until 6½" above ribbing, end with Pat Rnd 23; 264 sts. P next 2 sts, k 1.

**Cap Sleeves:** Cast on 11 sts for cap sleeve, turn. *Row 1* (wrong side): \* K 2, p 7, k 2, p 1; repeat from \* 11 times, k 2, p 7, k 2; 143 sts worked. Slip remaining 132 sts to holder for front. Cast on 12 sts at end of needle for 2nd cap sleeve; 155 sts, turn. *Row 2* (right side): \* P 2, k 2, k 2 tog, k 3, p 2, y o, k 1, y o; repeat from \*, end last repeat p 2. Work back and forth, keeping pat. On wrong side, k over the k sts and p over the p sts. Work until 83 rows in cap sleeve, end with Pat Row 11 (right side). On Pat Rows 23 and 24, there will be 155 sts and on Pat Rows 11 and 12, 149 sts. Discontinue pat. **Shoulders:** Work ribbing of k 1, p 1, bind off 24 sts at beg of next 2 rows; 10 sts at beg of next 2 rows; 6 sts at beg of next 8 rows. Bind off 33 sts.

**Front:** Slip 132 sts to needle, join yarn at end of needle on right side, cast on 11 sts for sleeve, turn. Work as for back to shoulder, casting on 12 sts at end of first row. **Shoulder and Neck Shaping** (wrong

side): Working ribbing of k 1, p 1, bind off 24 sts, work until there are 34 sts on right needle, sl these sts on holder for right side, bind off next 33 sts for neck edge, work to end. Bind off 24 sts at beg of next row. Work 1 row even. Bind off 10 sts once; 6 sts 4 times on rows beginning from sleeve edge. Sl 34 sts of right side to needle, join yarn at neck edge. Continuing ribbing, working from right side, work 1 row even. Finish shaping to correspond to left side.

**Finishing:** Sew sleeve and shoulder seams to within 3" of neck edge. From right side, work 1 row s c around lower edge of skirt and around sleeves. Sew waist to skirt. Work 2 rows s c across each back shoulder opening and 1 row across each front shoulder opening. From right side, work 1 row s c across back shoulder openings and neck edge, also across front shoulder openings and neck edge. Make casing for elastic. Sew 3 snap fasteners on each shoulder. Block. Use shoulder pads.

## Five O'Clock Knitted Cocktail Dress