

# BATHING SUITS

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### *Bi-colour bathing suit*

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**MATERIALS** for size 16: Minerva Knitting Worsted, 2 4-oz. skeins navy, 1 skein white. 1-6" crochet hook No. 5. 1 pair 14" No. 2 knitting needles.

**GAUGE:** 6 sts = 1".

### *Shorts*

**FRONT:** Starting at bottom of right leg, with navy cast on 53 sts. Work in stockinette st for 6 rows. *On next row:* K 1 \* yo, k 2 tog, repeat from \* across row (for turr of hem), p 1 row. Inc at beg of every k row 10 times, sl 63 sts on st holder. Work left leg to correspond (inc at beg of every p row 10 times) at end of next k row, join to sts of right leg (126 sts), p 1 row. Now dec in centre as follows: K 61, k 2 tog, sl, k and pass, k 61. P 1 row. Continue to dec in this manner at centre every other row 5 times more, then every 4th row 5 times. Now dec 1 st each side (at outer edge) then dec 1 st each side every 6th row, 7 times more (88 sts). When work is 12" or desired length from start work in k 2, p 2 ribbing for 2". **WORK BEADING:** \*K 2, yo, k 2 tog, repeat from \* across row. Work 6 rows more in ribbing. Bind off loosely in ribbing.

**BACK:** Work same as front, omitting last 2 decreases at centre.

**FINISHING:** Block each piece separately, using a damp cloth and moderately hot iron. Sew seams tog and turn up hems.

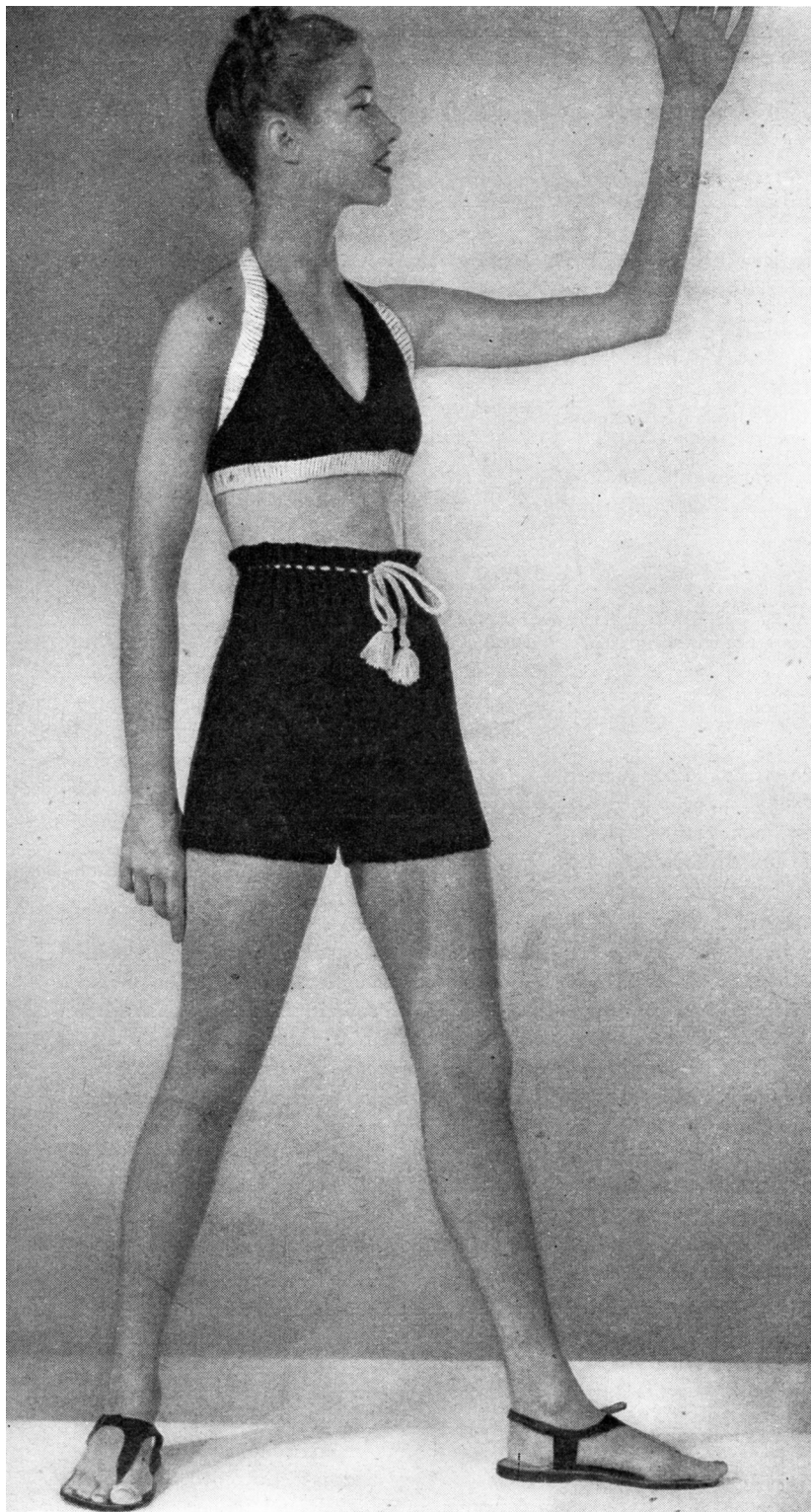
**TIE:** With double strand of white yarn ch 42", draw cord through beading. Make 2 white tassels 2½" long and attach one to each end of the cord.

### *Bra*

**RIGHT SIDE:** With navy cast on 51 sts, k 1 row, p 1 row. Shape as follows: *Row 3:* K 5, k 2 tog, k 17, inc 1 st in next st, k 1, inc 1 st in next st, k 22, k 2 tog. *Row 4:* P across to last 5 sts, k 5 for border. Keeping 5 border sts in garter st, continue to inc in this manner, 2 sts at centre 2 times more and dec 1 st each side every other row until all sts are worked off. Work left side to correspond to right side (decreasing 1 st each side by k 2 sts tog through back of sts).

**STRAPS:** With white cast on 7 sts. In garter st, work 2 straps each 21" long, and 1 strap 36" long.

**FINISHING:** Block each piece separately. Cross the two sections of bra for 3" at centre-front. Sew short straps to outside edge of bra. Sew long strap across lower edge. Tie straps in back.



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*Knitted two-piece bathing suit in bi-colour*

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