



One Size: UK 10/14 - US 6/10 - EU 36/40

Skill Level: intermediate

How much yarn: 3 balls of 50g (125m) of Super Soft yarn (100% Extrafine Merino Wool), in ultramarine no. 14608, turquoise no. 14607, teal no. 14636, petroleum no. 14507, air force blue no. 14641

Needles: A pair of 6.50mm knitting needles

Hook: A crochet hook to knot fringes

Sewing needle: Yarn needle with rounded point

STITCHES

Using needles: stocking stitch (st st)

TENSION

12 sts and 19 rows measure 10cm square over stocking stitch with double strands of yarn and 6.50mm needles. Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tension to achieve success.

INSTRUCTIONS

The poncho is made up of two central panels and two side rectangular panels worked with double strands of yarn.

Front central panel: work top down. Inspired by photo or as desired, and changing colours every 2, 4, 6 or 8 rows, cast on 6 sts and work as follows: **row 1:** K2, (K1 and K1 t.b.l. = through back loop) into each of next 2 centre sts, K2. **Row 2:** P8. **Row 3:** K to centre 2 sts, (K1 and K1 t.b.l.) into each of centre 2 sts, K to end. **Row 4:** P to end. Rep last 2 rows 42 more times. There are 94 sts (= 47 sts on either side) and 88 rows have been worked. Work other 2 rows straight in st st (90 rows have been worked), then cast off.

Back central panel: work as Front Central Panel.

Front: with 6.50mm needles and RS of work facing, pick up and K62 sts evenly across right slanting side of Front Central Panel and, changing colours as previous, work as follows: **Next row:** (WS) P to end. Cont to work in st st until 54 rows have been worked (first rectangular panel made). Cast off. Work the other rectangular panel in the same manner but picking up the sts across left slanting side of Front Central Panel.

Back: sew Front Rectangular Panel side seams to corresponding Back Central Panel side seams.

Collar: starting from top of Back Central Panel, with 6.50mm needles and RS of work facing, pick up and K the sts along first rectangular panel, pick up and K1 at top of Front Central Panel, pick up and K the sts along the other rectangular panel. Starting with a P row, work in st st decreasing 1 st at each side on next and every alternate RS row 5 times. At the same time, in correspondence of centre K st on Front and Back work as follows on RS rows: slip 2 sts tog knitwise (the second slipped st is the centre st), K1, pass slipped sts tog over knit st. When 14 rows have been worked, cast off rem sts. Sew Collar side seam. **Fringes:** complete Poncho knotting fringes around lower edge. Cut lengths of yarn to approx 26-28cm. Take 3 strands and fold in half. Insert hook in a stitch and catch the folded end of yarn. Draw it through and then take the ends of the yarn through the loop. Pull on strands to tighten. Rep leaving a stitch free between fringes.

Note: wash garment carefully at low temperatures, with a very little fabric softener. Lay the garment to dry on a flat surface, without ever hanging it.