



BRINGING IN THE WHEAT PONCHO

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A one size fits most poncho with an engaging centre lace panel and interesting construction.

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SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

(After blocking)

Approx. 37" wide by 21" high

MATERIALS

- 6 skeins of ESTELLE ALPACA MERINO WORSTED 60% superfine alpaca, 40% merino wool Approx. 100 g and 175 m per skein Shown in col: Q64527 Light Silver Heather on front cover, or 6 skeins of ESTELLE WORSTED 50% acrylic, 40% wool, 10% nylon Shown in col: Q61204 at back
- Circular needle 5mm / US 8, 80 cm / 32" long or size to obtain gauge
- Circular needle 4.5 mm / US 7, 40 cm / 16" long or size to obtain gauge
- 4 locking stitch markers
- 1 closed stitch marker
- Yarn needle

GAUGE

17 sts and 23 rows = $10 \text{ cm} / 4^{\prime\prime}$ over stocking stitch with larger needles, blocked.

Stocking Stitch Pattern:

(RS) row: Knit. (WS) row: Purl.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg — beginning

k - knit

p — purl

PM — place marker

psso — pass slipped stitch over

rep — repeat

RS - right side

sl - slip

st(s) — stitch(es)

tog — together

WS — wrong side

yo — yarn over

repeat instructions between both asterisks as directed

[] — repeat inside instructions as directed

INSTRUCTIONS

BODY (MAKE 2)

Centre panel

Using larger needles, cast on 24 sts. Work 2 rows in stocking stitch pattern.

Lace Pattern

Row 1 (RS): K2, P2, K9, yo, K1, yo, K3, sl 1, K2tog, psso, P2, K2.

Row 2 (WS): Purl. (Purl every WS row)

Row 3 (RS): K2, P2, K10, yo, K1, yo, K2, sl 1, K2tog, psso, P2, K2.

Row 5 (RS): K2, P2, K3tog, K4, yo, K1, yo, K3, [yo, K1] twice, sl 1, K2tog, psso, P2, K2.

Row 7 (RS): K2, P2, K3tog, K3, yo, K1, yo, K9, P2, K2. Row 9 (RS): K2, P2, K3tog, K2, yo, K1, yo, K10, P2, K2. Row 11 (RS): K2, P2, K3tog, [K1, yo] twice, K3, yo, K1, yo, K4, sl 1, K2tog, psso, P2, K2.

Row 12 (WS): Purl.

Rep rows 1-12 of Lace Pattern 6 times more, then rows 1-10 once.

Next row: K2, P2, K3tog, [K1, yo] twice, K11, P2, K2.

Next row: Purl.

Work 2 rows in stocking stitch.

Cast off 23 sts (1 st remains on needle), then with RS facing, turn work one quarter turn clockwise and pick up and knit 81 sts evenly down left side of panel to cast on edge. (82 sts)

*Beg with a purl row, work 82 sts in stocking stitch until work from picked up sts measures 13½", ending with a WS purl row.

Edging Pattern

Row 1 (RS): [K2, P2] to last 2 sts, K2.

Row 2 (WS): Purl.

Rep these 2 rows for a total of 12 rows, ending with a WS purl row.

Cast off in Row 1 pattern. Break yarn, leaving at least a 24" tail for sewing shoulder seam.*

BRINGING IN THE WHEAT PONCHO

With RS facing and beginning at the bottom right cast on corner of lace panel, pick up and knit 82 sts evenly along right side of panel to cast off edge. Work from * to * as for other side.

Bottom Edge

Note: bottom of panel is identified as the one with the cast on edge of the lace panel.

With RS facing, and beginning at bottom left corner, pick up and knit 162 sts evenly across work. Purl one row.

Work Edging Pattern rows as above for a total of 12 rows.

Cast off in Row 1 of Edging Pattern.

FINISHING

Block each panel, pinning to final measurements, being sure to pin out centre lace sections to a measurement of $5\frac{1}{2}$ wide by 19" high.

With RS facing, measure in from top left corner of each panel (side without Edging rows) 13 1/2" and place locking stitch marker. Repeat for right sides of each panel. Assemble by using cast off yarn tails from each panel to sew front and back together from corners to markers. Remove markers.

For collar, with RS facing and using 16" circular needle, beg at left or right shoulder seam and pick up and knit 90 sts evenly around neck. PM and join for working in the round. K6 rounds.

Next round: [K7, K2tog] ten times. 80 sts. K6 rounds.

Cast off loosely. Weave in all ends.



