

## GIPSY PONCHO

## MATERIAL

Poema Alpaca by Laines Du Nord; 2 balls of col. 09
Size US7/4.5 mm crochet-hook
Darning needle
Scissors
Pins
Tape measure
Marker

## ABBREVIATIONS

RS = right side of work
WS = wrong side of work
$M$ = marker
PM = place market
st./sts. = stitch/stitches
ch = chain stitch
col. = colour/colours
$\mathrm{dc}=$ double crochet
sc $=$ single crochet
tr = treble crochet
rep. $=$ repeat
foll. = follow/following

## SKILL LEVEL: Easy

## NOTES

$\bullet \bullet$ This pattern uses UK crochet terms $\bullet \bullet \bullet$
Top-down poncho, beginning from the centre of the neckline. Work the first section in back-and-forth r. and the second one in rounds, turning at the end of each round (in this way the fabric looks like the first 11 rows).
Always PM in 1-ch-central-space of each corner (4 corners), each row and each round; as you proceed move the $M$ upwards.

## SIZE

Single size, oversize fit

## STITCHES USED

Chain stitch, single crochet, double crochet, treble crochet
V Stitch: (1 tr, 1 ch and 1 tr) into the same st. or into 1-chspace.

Increasing Group: ( $1 \mathrm{tr}, 1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{tr}, 1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{tr}$ ) into the same 1-ch-space.

## INSTRUCTIONS

Cast-on 61 ch, then PM in 4 red highlighted ch (see the diagram); in this way you can see the ch of the 1st row where you must work the increases.
1st row (RS): ( $1 \mathrm{tr}, 1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{tr}, 1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{tr}$ ) in 5th beg. ch ( 1 ch , skip $3 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{~V}$ stitch in next ch) 3 times, 1 ch , skip $3 \mathrm{ch}, 1$ increasing group in next ch, ( 1 ch , skip $3 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{~V}$ stitch in next ch) 5 times, 1 ch , skip $3 \mathrm{ch}, 1$ increasing group in next ch, ( 1 ch, skip $3 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{~V}$ stitch in next ch) 3 times, 1 ch , skip $3 \mathrm{ch}, 1$
increasing group in last ch, turn.
From 2 nd to 11th row: cont. foll. the diagram, working 4 corner-incr. and the incr. at beg. and end of each row, like stated. Cut the yarn and close.
At the end of next round, close in ring shape with 1 sc .
12th round (WS): join the yarn at B point of the diagram and work ** 4 ch (instead of 1 st tr and 1 ch ), ( $1 \mathrm{tr}, 1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{tr}$ ) into base-space of 4 ch , * ( $1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{~V}$ stitch in 1 -ch-space between next 2 V stitches) rep. until 1-ch-space before the next incr. group, $1 \mathrm{ch}, 1$ incr. group into 1 -ch-central-space of the incr. group below *, rep. from * to * 3 times more, getting last incr. group of last repetition, end with 1 tr into the same 1-chspace of 4 beg. ch, 1 ch , close with 1 sc in 3 rd of 4 beg . ch, then 1 sc for moving to 1 -ch-central-space of the 1 st incr. motif, turn. ${ }^{* *}$
From 3rd to 37 th round: work like 12th round, always rep. from ${ }^{* *}$ to ${ }^{* *}$.
This blouse-poncho has an oversize fit. It's $27 \frac{1}{2} / 2^{\prime \prime} / 70 \mathrm{~cm}$ in width.
After working the poncho pattern, for blouse shaping, join back and front.
Fold the panel in half (WS against WS), shaping the front section with V neckline and the back section; take care to match the M ( 2 M under the armpit of the right sleeve and 2 $M$ under the left one).
38th round: 4 ch, work ( $1 \mathrm{tr}, 1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{tr}$ ) into the same 4-ch-base-space with the 1st M and into the central space of the incr.-group of the back section with the 2nd M (in this way you join the central incr. spaces of the first armpit and shape the first sleeve), remove the 2 M ; ( $1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{~V}$ stitch) in each 1-ch-space between the $V$ stitches of the back until the space before the next incr.-group, $1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{incr}$. group into the central ch of back incr. group and simultaneously into the central ch of the front incr. group (in this way you join the central-incr.-spaces of the second armpit and shape the second sleeve), remove the remaining $2 \mathrm{M},(1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{~V}$ stitch) in each 1-ch-space between the $V$ stitches of the front until the space before the 1st incr.-group of the round, $1 \mathrm{ch}, 1$ tr into the same base ch corresponding to 1st armpit, 1 ch, 1 sc into the 3rd of 4 beg-ch, 1 sc into the central ch corresponding to first armpit, turn.
From next round, work into the front and back spaces only, with no increases.
39th round: 4 ch and 1 tr into the same 1 -ch-space, ( 1 ch , 1 V stitch) in each 1-ch-space between the V stitches below across the entire round, 1 ch ; close with 1 sc into the 3rd of 4 beg.-ch, 1 sc into the 1st 1 -ch-space, turn.
40th round: work like 39th round.
41st round: $1 \mathrm{ch}, 1 \mathrm{dc}$ in each tr and each ch of the round; 1 sc into the 1 st dc of the round. Cut the yarn and close.
Hide the ends inside the fabric.
FINISHING
Work 1 round in dc around the neckline and armholes edges. Hide the ends inside the fabric.

## Top of the Poncho




