



# Poncho with fringes

LANA GATTO®

**Size:** one

**Skill Level:** easy

**How much yarn:** 8 balls of 50g (90m) of Zenzero yarn (51% Acrylic, 27% Wool, 10% Alpaca, 10% Silk, 2% Viscose), shade no. 9312

**Needles:** A pair of 5.50mm (no. 5) knitting needles

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

**Other items:** a crochet hook to tie fringes

## STITCHES

**Using needles:** garter stitch (g st)

Reverse stocking stitch (rev st st)

CARTRIDGE STITCH: (work over any number of sts)

**Rows 1, 3, 5 and 7:** Knit all sts. **Rows 2, 4, 6, 8 and 9:** Purl all sts. **Row 10:** Knit all sts. Rep these 10 Rows throughout.

## TENSION

13 sts and 20 rows measure 10cm square over cartridge st with 5.50 mm (no. 5) needles.

Take time to check tension before starting work: it is essential to work to the stated tensions to achieve success.

## INSTRUCTIONS

**Panel:** (make 2 alike) With 5.50mm (no. 5) needles cast on 65 sts and work as follows: 2 sts in g st, 61 sts in cartridge st and 2 sts in g st. When panel measures approx 68cm (and 138 rows have been worked) work 4 rows in g st on all sts, then cast off all sts knitways.

## FINISHING

Sew lower edge of first panel to last 50cm side edge of other panel. **Collar:** with 5.50mm (no. 5) needles and wrong side facing, pick up 30 sts across first 20cm on right-hand side edge of first panel and 30 sts across first 20cm on right-hand

side edge of other panel. There are 60 sts on needle. Work 6 rows in rev st st, 24 rows in cartridge stitch and 4 rows in garter stitch (approx 17cm collar height). Cast off all sts knitways. Sew collar sides, joining first 4cm on RS. Sew last 50cm of second panel to lower edge of first panel (join A to A – see pattern). Turn Collar out on RS of work.

**Fringes:** cut lengths of yarn to 60cm. For each fringe, take 3 strands and fold in half. Add fringes to 4 open sides of poncho, tying one fringe every 6 rows on sides of two panels and one fringe every 3 sts on cast-off edge of two panels. Tie fringe as follows: insert hook in the centre point of 3 strands and catch the folded end of yarn. Draw it through panel edge (as indicated) and then take the ends of the yarn through the loop. Pull on strands to tighten. Lay out on a flat surface and trim the fringe to neaten up (approx 28cm).

**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.

