



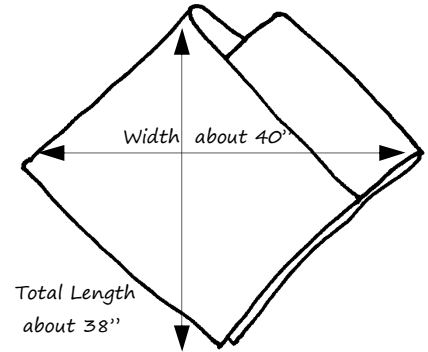
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- Sizes:** adult, one size
Yarn: 10 skeins of Morehouse Merino 3-Strand (worsted weight, 145 yards per skein)
Needles: 24" circular needles US #5 (or size to obtain gauge), you'll need at least 2 needles; plus 2 circular holding needles US #5 or any size smaller than #5
Gauge: 5 stitches = 1 inch over pattern

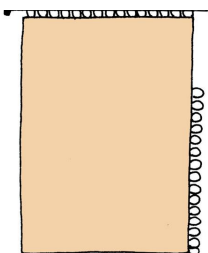


Poncho is knit in two parts: side one and side two.
For first side of Poncho, cast on 100 stitches and work pattern as follows:

- Rows 1-5** knit
Row 6 purl

Repeat pattern 42 times (for a total of 252 rows). Then work the first 2 rows of pattern and put stitches on circular holding needle. Break off yarn (leave about 6" to darn in end).

Stitches on holding needle



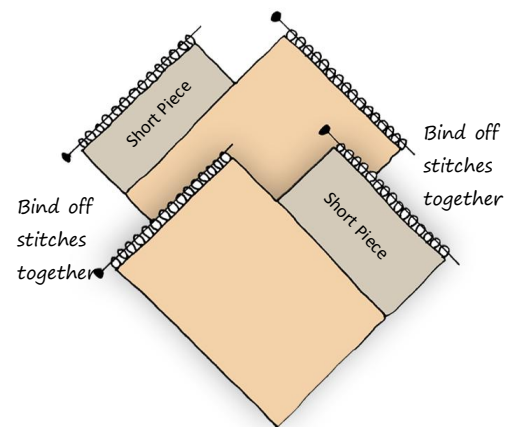
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For short piece, pick up 100 stitches along right edge, starting at cast on row in lower right side corner (see illustration at left); pick up 1 stitch at cast-on, then 1 stitch per 2 rows. Work short piece as follows: work pattern 9 times (for a total of 54 rows). Then work the first 2 rows of pattern and put stitches on second circular holding needle. Break off yarn.

Work second side the same way, but leave about 4 yards of yarn for binding off.

Next, bind off stitches together with stitches on first side. Put the two pieces together – wrong sides facing out. Stitches on short piece on first side should be parallel to stitches on long piece on second side; and stitches on long piece on first side will be parallel to stitches on short piece on second side (see illustration –the two pieces are shown in two different colors just for identification purposes).

Now bind off stitches together using three-needle bind-off. How? Knit the first stitch on needle closest to you together with first stitch on needle in back, then knit second stitch on needle closest to you together with second stitch on needle in back, then bind off regularly by lifting first stitch over second stitch. Continue this way, knitting two stitches together from front and back needle, then binding off. Darn in ends.



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