Striped poncho for a girl

Age 2 to 4 · US terms



Finished size
About 19 × 15 in (48 × 38 cm)

Skill
Easy
Double crochet in rounds, color changes

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: lilac, main	**about 160 yd (146 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ivory, thin stripe	**about 60 yd (55 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: raspberry, second stripe and pom-poms	**about 60 yd (55 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure and a piece of card.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Width	Length	Yarn, an estimate
Age 2 to 4 (this file)	**19 in (48 cm)**	**15 in (38.5 cm)**	**about 280 yd (256 m)**
Age 5 to 7	21¾ in (55.5 cm)	17¾ in (45 cm)	about 380 yd (347 m)
Age 8 to 10	24½ in (62.5 cm)	20½ in (52 cm)	about 495 yd (452 m)

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch chain stitch
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
rnd round
sp space
st stitch

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Gauge

13 stitches and 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece, measured from the neck edge straight out to the last round and away from the two points, is about 2.3 in (6 cm) deep. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

Work more or fewer rounds: each round adds about 0.8 in (2.1 cm) to the points, and has 2 stitches more on each side of each corner. A longer poncho takes more yarn.

Before you start

- The first corner of round 1 is the center front.
- The ch 3 at the start of a round counts as a dc.
- A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain, not into a chain stitch.
- Stitches in round brackets with a place after them are all worked into that one place. The brackets at the end of a row hold its count.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- To change color, draw the new color through as you close the slip stitch that joins the round. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and fasten in a fresh piece each time: the yarn amounts and the ends to weave in are counted this way.
- Laid flat, with a point at the front and a point at the back, it is about 18.9 in (48 cm) wide and about 15.1 in (38.4 cm) from the top of the neck to the point, without the pom-poms. The neck edge is about 21.5 in (54.6 cm) round, and the point hangs about 11.3 in (28.7 cm) below the middle of the neck edge.
- 14 rounds: three rounds of A, one of B, one of C, and begin again.
- Ages are a guide to the size of the finished piece: go by the measurements, and see that the neck edge is larger round than the head.
- The neck edge is a closed ring of chains that does not stretch much: make the foundation loosely, or with a hook one size larger, and try it over the head before round 1.

Instructions

Chosen: Age 2 to 4. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and dc is treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, lilac; B, ivory; C, raspberry.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 70, sl st in first ch to form a large loop, taking care not to twist the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 16 chs, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch, dc in next 34 chs, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch, dc in next 17 chs, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(76 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 18 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 38 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 19 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(84 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 20 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 42 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 21 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(92 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	**Yarn B.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 22 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 46 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 23 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(100 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**Yarn C.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 24 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 50 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 25 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(108 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 26 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 54 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 27 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(116 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 28 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 58 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 29 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(124 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 30 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 62 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 31 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(132 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**Yarn B.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 32 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 66 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 33 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(140 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**Yarn C.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 34 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 70 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 35 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(148 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 36 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 74 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 37 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(156 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 38 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 78 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 39 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(164 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 40 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 82 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 41 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(172 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**Yarn B.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 42 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 86 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 43 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(180 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Finishing

- Pom-poms: make 2 of yarn C, about 2 in (5.1 cm) across. For each, wind the yarn 70 times round a piece of card 2 in (5.1 cm) wide, slide the loops off, tie them very tightly round the middle with a piece of yarn C about 12 in (30.5 cm) long, cut all the loops and trim to a ball. Sew one by the ends of its tie to each point and weave those ends in.
- Weave in the ends.

In all: 14 rounds; 1,792 stitches; 20 ends to weave in.

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