# Hooded poncho for a child

Age 2 to 4 · US terms



Finished size
**About 20½ × 16¾ in (52 × 43 cm)**

Skill
**Easy**
Double crochet in rounds and rows, sewing

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

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| Yarn A: pine, main | **about 375 yd (343 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: marigold, hem bands | **about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn C: cream, thin bands | **about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate** |

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

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 |
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| **Age 2 to 4 (this file)** | **20½ in (52 cm)** | **16¾ in (42.5 cm)** | **about 505 yd (462 m)** |
| **Age 5 to 7** | 23½ in (59.5 cm) | 19½ in (49.5 cm) | about 595 yd (544 m) |
| **Age 8 to 10** | 26¼ in (67 cm) | 22 in (56 cm) | about 715 yd (654 m) |


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## Abbreviations

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

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

## 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 (5.8 cm) deep. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

## Before you start

- The first corner of round 1 is the center front; the round begins over the right shoulder.
- The neck edge is a closed loop: before round 2, check that it passes easily over the head it is for, and work the foundation chain loosely.
- Whip stitch (sewing): lay or hold the two edges together; with the yarn needle go from back to front under both loops of a stitch on each edge (two strands of a foundation chain, or two strands at the end of a row), bring the needle over the two edges to the back and go through the next pair in the same way, without pulling tight.
- Poncho: every round is worked with the right side facing. Join each round with a slip stitch, do not turn, and go on round the same way.
- The ch 3 at the start of each round counts as its first dc.
- Hood: Row 1 is a right side row. Each row from row 2 on begins with a chain and a turn, as printed; that is the only turn.
- Hood: The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc and stands on the first stitch, so "next st" after it is the second stitch of the row below. The last dc of the next row goes into the top of this chain. In row 2 that is the skipped chains at the start of row 1: their top is the one that was next to the hook.
- A stitch in a chain space goes into the open space under the chain, not into a chain stitch.
- All the stitches inside round brackets go into the one place named after the brackets. Round brackets at the end of a line hold its count.
- To change color, draw the new color through as you close the slip stitch that joins the round. Cut the old color at every change, leaving a 6 in (15.2 cm) tail, and begin the new color with a new end; nothing is carried along the edge.
- Laid flat it is about 20.5 in (52.1 cm) wide and 16.7 in (42.4 cm) from the top of the neck to the point; the neck edge is about 21.5 in (54.6 cm) round, and the point hangs about 12.9 in (32.8 cm) below the neck.
- 16 rounds; the order of the yarns is given on the rounds.
- Ages are a guide to the size of the finished piece: go by the measurements.
- Use no cord or tie at the neck of a child's hood.


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## 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.

### Poncho

**Yarns in order of use: A, pine; B, marigold; C, cream.**

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| ☐ **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)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 4** | 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** | 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** | 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** | 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 B.** 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** | **Yarn C.** 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)** |


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| ☐ **Rnd 13** | **Yarn A.** 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)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 15** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 44 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 90 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 45 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | **(188 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 16** | **Yarn C.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 46 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 94 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 47 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | **(196 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)** |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

### Hood

**Yarn A, pine.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Ch 72. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across | **(70 dc)** |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 17** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 68 sts, dc in top of turning ch | **(70 dc)** |

A box for each row, 2 to 17: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17

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| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

### Assembly

**1.** Check the hood: it is a rectangle about 21.5 in (54.6 cm) wide (the neck edge) by 9.7 in (24.6 cm) tall. Folded, it is about 10.8 in (27.4 cm) from the face edge to the back fold.

**2.** Hood: fold the rectangle in half with the right side inside, so that its two short ends lie one on the other, and with a piece of yarn A about 1 yd (0.9 m) long and the yarn needle whip stitch the two halves of the last row together along the top. Turn it right side out. With another piece of yarn A about 2 yd (1.8 m) long whip stitch the foundation edge of the hood to the foundation chain of the poncho, right sides out and edge to edge. Both have 70 places: on the hood they are the skipped chains at the start of row 1, counted as one place, and the 69 chains with a dc in them; on the poncho they are the chains of the neck edge. Begin at the center front chain of the poncho (the one that holds the first corner of round 1), and go round place to place; the last place falls on the chain next to the center front chain, so that the fold lies at the center back and the two short ends meet at the center front and frame the face.

## Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 2 pieces; 3,366 stitches (2,176 in the poncho, 1,190 in the hood); 20 ends to weave in.

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