

Match Play

A figure flattering poncho that is as fun to knit as it is to wear! Three design options included.

Gauge...

Approximately 23 stitches and 33 rows = 4" in stockinette, knit flat on smaller needle

Size...

One size - 35" wide across front (70" circumference), 23" long from shoulder to hem. Schematic p. 10

Materials...

- Sueno by HiKoo, 80%
 merino superwash, 20%
 viscose from bamboo, 100
 g/ 255 yards each, 8
 skeins
- US #6 (4mm) 32" circular needle
- US #6 (4mm) 16" circular needle
- US #7 (4.5mm) 16" circular needle
- Markers, counters (2 separate are helpful), stitch holders (waste yarn works well)
- Optional: Size F crochet hook for cast on



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Abbreviations...

k2tog - knit two together. See K2tog Video

k2tog tbl - knit two together through the back loop. See K2tog tbl Video

k3tog – knit three together. See K3tog Video

LT (Left Twist) - slip as if to knit, slip as if to knit, return both slipped stitches to left needle. Knit second stitch through the back loop, then knit both stitches together through the back loop. **See** *Left Twist Updated* **Video**

PM - place marker

RS - right side

RT (Right twist) – knit two stitches together and without taking stitches off left hand needle, reknit the first stitch and remove both stitches from left hand needle. **See** *Right Twist* **Video**

sl - slip. See Slip Stitch Video

SM – slip marker

ssk - slip next stitch as if to knit, slip next stitch as if to knit, insert left needle into the front of these two slipped stitches from left to right and knit together. **See SSK Video**

st(s) - stitch(es)

WS - wrong side

wyib – with yarn in back

wyif - with yarn in front

yo – yarn over. See Yarn Over Video

yo twice - yarn over twice. See Double Yarn Over video



Pattern Notes

- Poncho is knit from the bottom up in two pieces
- Every row begins with a slipped stitch with yarn held to the front. See Slipped Stitch Edge Video
- Side One uses Diamond Pattern as the central motif (see photo p.1)
- For Side Two, there are 3 options:
 - 1. **Option #1** Repeat Side One for an identical front and back.
 - 2. **Option #2** Work Dot Pattern over ALL body stitches (no central motif). Side Two will serve as back of poncho.
 - 3. **Option #3** Work Chart Lacy Diamond as central motif (see photo p. 1). Side Two will serve as front of poncho.

Instructions...

Lower Edge - Side One

With #6 32" needle, cast on 208 stitches. I recommend using Crochet Cast On or Long Tail Cast On (No Yarn Tail Calculation).

See Crochet Cast On or Long Tail Cast On (No Yarn Tail Estimate) Video

Garter Border

Row 1. (WS) Knit.

Row 2. (RS) SI 1 wyif, knit to end.

Rows 3 - 18. Same as Row 2.

Set Up Rows

Row 1. (WS) SI 1 wyif, k4, PM, k75, PM, k48, PM, k75, PM, k5.

Row 2. (RS) SI 1 wyif, k4, slip 1st marker, knit to 2nd marker, SM, sl 1 wyib, knit to 1 st before 3rd marker, sl 1 wyib, SM, knit to 4th marker, SM, k5.

Row 3. (WS) Slip all markers while working across row. Sl 1 wyif, k4, purl across row to last 5 sts, k5.

Body - Side One

- Maintain first and last 5 stitches of every row in established garter edge
- Work Dot Pattern (p. 4) over 75 sts between 1st and 2nd markers
- Work Diamond Pattern (p. 4) over 48 sts between 2nd and 3rd markers
- Work Dot Pattern (p. 4) over 75 sts between 3rd and 4th markers
- Use two separate counters simultaneously to track rows of each pattern

Work Dot and Diamond patterns simultaneously, until Diamond Pattern has been repeated **six times** or 1" less than desired length ending after a Wrong Side row.

Note: If adjusting length, Diamond pattern may be ended after any Wrong Side row.



Dot Pattern – 8 rows, mult. of 4 + 3 (See chart p. 11)

Row 1. (RS) *k3, p1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Row 2 and ALL Wrong Side rows through Row 8. Purl.

Row 3. Knit.

Row 5. K1, *p1, k3; repeat from * to last 2 sts, p1, k1.

Row 7. Knit.

Diamond Pattern – 28 rows, 48 sts. (See chart p. 11)

Row 1. (RS) SI 1 wyib, k2, *k6, LT, k6; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sI 1 wyib.

Row 2 and ALL Wrong Side Rows through Row 28. Purl.

Row 3. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k5, RT, LT, k5; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 5. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k4, RT, k2, LT, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 7. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k3, RT, k4, LT, k3; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 9. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k2, RT, k6, LT, k2; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 11. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k1, RT, k8, LT, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 13. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *RT, k10, LT; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 15. Sl 1 wyib, k3, (k12, RT) twice, k15, sl 1 wyib.

Row 17. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *LT, k10, RT; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 19. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k1, LT, k8, RT, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 21. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k2, LT, k6, RT, k2; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 23. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k3, LT, k4, RT, k3; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 25. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k4, LT, k2, RT, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 27. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k5, LT, RT, k5; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.



Neck Shaping

Note: Shoulders and neck are worked in garter stitch.

Left Neck

Row 1. (RS) SI 1 wyif, knit to 3 sts before 2nd marker, k2tog, k1. Place 48 sts between 2nd and 3rd markers on holder. Place remaining 80 sts on a second holder. There are now 79 sts on Left Side. First and second markers may be removed.

- Row 2. (WS) Working Left Neck sts only, knit across row.
- Row 3. SI 1 wyif, knit to 3 sts before end, k2tog, k1. (78 sts)
- Row 4. Same as Row 2.
- Row 5. Same as Row 3. (77 sts)
- Row 6. Same as Row 2.
- Row 7. Same as Row 3. (76 sts)
- Row 8. Same as Row 2.

Cut yarn leaving 12-foot tail to be used for upcoming shoulder seaming. Place these stitches on a separate holder.

Right Neck

Return 80 stitches from second holder to needles, leaving center 48 stitches on holder. With Right Side facing, rejoin yarn and begin at neck edge as follows:

- Row 1. (RS) K1, ssk, knit to end. Remaining markers may be removed. (79 sts)
- Row 2. (WS) Working Right Neck only, sl 1 wyif, knit to end.
- Row 3. K1, ssk, knit to end. (78 sts)
- Row 4. Same as Row 2.
- Row 5. Same as Row 3. (77 sts)
- Row 6. Same as Row 2.
- Row 7. Same as Row 3. (76 sts)
- Row 8. Same as Row 2.

Cut yarn leaving 12-foot tail to be used for upcoming shoulder seaming. Place these stitches on a separate holder.



Body - Side Two

Option #1 - Diamond Pattern

Repeat Side One exactly with instructions from Part One.

Option #2- Dot Pattern

Lower Edge

With #6 32" needle, cast on 208 stitches. I recommend using Crochet Cast On or Long Tail Cast On (No Yarn Tail Calculation). See Crochet Cast On or Long Tail Cast On (No Yarn Tail Calculation) Video

Garter Border

Row 1. (WS) Knit.

Row 2. (RS) SI 1 wyif, knit to end.

Rows 3 - 18. Same as Row 2.

Set Up Rows

Row 1. (WS) SI 1 wyif, k4, PM, knit to last 5 sts, PM, k5.

Row 2. (RS) SI 1 wyif, k4, slip 1st marker, kfb, knit to 2nd marker, SM, k5. (199 sts between markers)

Row 3. (WS). Slip all markers while working across row. Sl 1 wyif, k4, purl across row to last 5 sts, k5.

Body - Option #2

- Maintain first and last 5 stitches of every row in established garter edge
- Work Dot Pattern (p. 4) over 199 sts between 1st and 2nd markers

Maintaining established garter edges, work Dot Pattern over 199 sts between 1st and 2nd markers until Side Two measures same as Side One ending after a Wrong Side Row.

Note: If six Diamond Pattern repeats were worked on Side One, you will end Side Two after working Row 8 of Dot Pattern or 21 repeats of the eight row Dot Pattern.



Neck Shaping – Option #2

Note: Shoulders and neck are worked in garter stitch.

Left Neck

Row 1. (RS) SI 1 wyif, k76, k3tog, k1. Place next 48 sts on a holder. Place remaining 80 sts on a second holder. There are now 79 sts on Left Side. First and second markers may be removed

Row 2. (WS) Working Left Neck sts only, knit across row.

Row 3. SI 1 wyif, knit to 3 sts before end, k2tog, k1. (78 sts)

Row 4. Same as Row 2.

Row 5. Same as Row 3. (77 sts)

Row 6. Same as Row 2.

Row 7. Same as Row 3. (76 sts)

Row 8. Same as Row 2.

Cut yarn leaving long tail to be used for upcoming shoulder seaming. Place these stitches on a separate holder.

Right Neck

Return 80 stitches from second holder to needles, leaving center 48 stitches on holder.

With Right Side facing, rejoin yarn and begin at neck edge as follows:

Row 1. (RS) K1, ssk, knit to end. Remaining markers may be removed. (79 sts)

Row 2. (WS) Working Right Neck only, sl 1 wyif, knit to end.

Row 3. K1, ssk, knit to end. (78 sts)

Row 4. Same as Row 2.

Row 5. Same as Row 3. (77 sts)

Row 6. Same as Row 2.

Row 7. Same as Row 3. (76 sts)

Row 8. Same as Row 2.

Cut yarn leaving long tail to be used for upcoming shoulder seaming. Place these stitches on a separate holder.



Option #3 - Lacy Diamond Pattern Lower Edge - Option #3

Cast on and work Garter Border and Set Up Rows as on Side One.

Body – Option #3

- Maintain first and last 5 stitches of every row in established garter edge
- Work Dot Pattern (p. 3) over 75 sts between 1st and 2nd markers
- Work Lacy Diamond Pattern (p. 8-9) over 48 sts between 2nd and 3rd markers
- Work Dot Pattern (p.3) over 75 sts between 3rd and 4th markers
- Use two separate counters simultaneously to track rows of each pattern

Work Dot and Lacy Diamond patterns simultaneously, until Lacy Diamond Pattern has been repeated **six times** or 1" less than desired length ending after a Wrong Side row.



Lacy Diamond Pattern – 28 rows, 48 sts (See chart p. 12) Row 1. (RS) SI 1 wyib, k2, *k6, LT, k6; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 2 and ALL Wrong Side Rows through Row 28. Purl. In Rows 14 and 18, purl across working double yarn overs as p1, k1.

Row 3. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k5, RT, LT, k5; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 5. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k4, RT, k2, LT, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 7. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k3, RT, k4, LT, k3; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 9. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k2, RT, k6, LT, k2; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 11. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k1, RT, k2, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k2, LT, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.



Lacy Diamond (cont.)

Row 13. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *RT, k1, k2tog, yo, k2tog, yo twice, ssk, yo, ssk, k1, LT; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 15. Sl 1 wyib, k3, *k2, (yo, ssk) twice, (k2tog, yo) twice, k2, RT; repeat from * ending last repeat k5, sl 1 wyib instead of k2, RT.

Row 17. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *LT, k1, k2tog, yo, k2tog, yo twice, ssk, yo, ssk, k1, RT; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 19. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k1, LT, k2, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k2, RT, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 21. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k2, LT, k6, RT, k2; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 23. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k3, LT, k4, RT, k3; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 25. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k4, LT, k2, RT, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Row 27. Sl 1 wyib, k2, *k5, LT, RT, k5; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k2, sl 1 wyib.

Neck Shaping – Option #3

Work both sides of neck as in Side One.



Finishing

See Three-Needle Bind Off Video

Block pieces to desired dimensions.

The center 48 sts on each Side One and Two remain on holders to be worked as turtleneck. A shoulder seam is worked over the 76 sts on each side of turtleneck.

Place 76 sts from one holder of Side One onto needle and corresponding 76 sts of Side Two onto a second needle. Working one shoulder seam at a time, with **Right Sides** together and using a third needle, bind off shoulder sts with attached long tail.

Repeat bind off for second shoulder.



Neck

See Pick Up and Knit Video

Using #6 16" circular needle and starting at left front shoulder seam, join yarn and pick up and knit 4 sts along left neck edge (1 st in each ridge).

Knit front center 48 sts from holder.

Pick up and knit 4 sts up right front shoulder (1 st in each ridge).

Pick up and knit 4 sts down right back shoulder (1 st in each ridge).

Knit back center 48 sts from holder.

Pick up and knit 4 sts up left back shoulder. (1 st in each ridge). 112 sts

Garter Stitch in the Round

Place marker and join in the round.

Round 1. Purl.

Round 2. Knit.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 until neck measures 4".

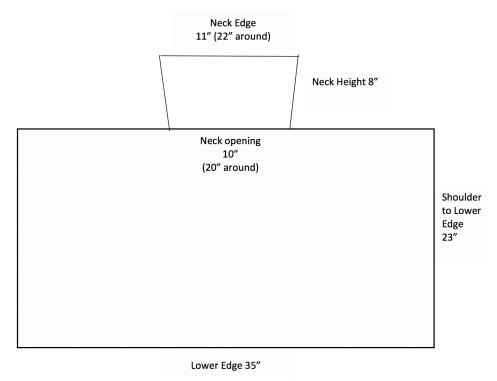
Change to #7 16" needles and work an additional 4" ending after a purl round.

I-Cord Bind Off

See I-Cord Bind Off Video

Note: I find it comfortable to use a #7 dpn to assist in this bind off as right hand needle.

CO 3 sts, *k2, k2tog tbl, return sts to left hand needle; repeat from * to last st, cut yarn and pull through last stitch.



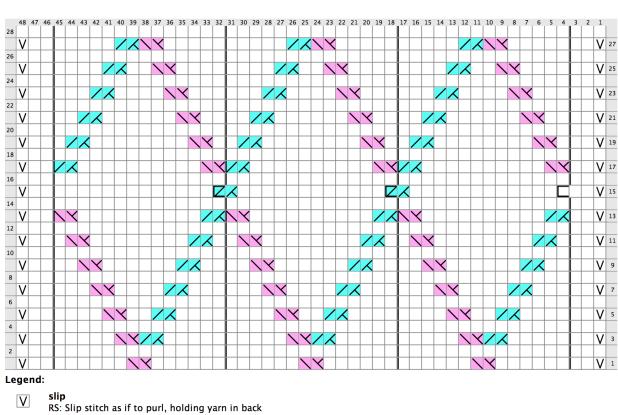


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Diamond Pattern Chart



knit

RS: knit stitch

WS: purl stitch

RS: slip as if to knit, slip as if to knit, return both slipped sts to left needle. Knit 2nd st thru the back loop, then knit both sts together thru the back loop

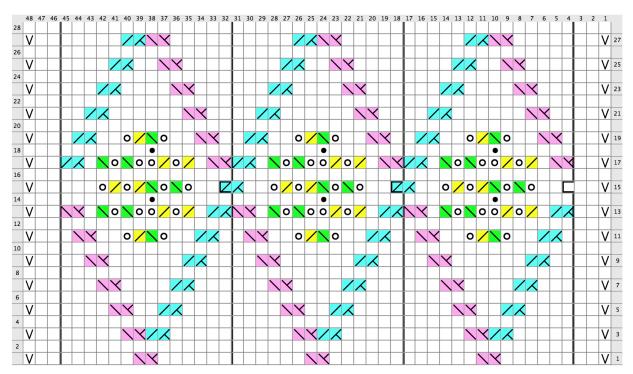
right twist

RS: knit 2 sts together and without taking sts off left needle, reknit the first st and remove both sts from left needle

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