This pattern is for a completely customizable crocheted poncho. It is worked with a large hook and thick yarn so it is a very quick and easy project - great for beginners! It is worked in a large rectangle shape and then folded in half and crocheted together to make the hole for the head.



Customizable Crocheted Poncho

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This pattern was created using:

- -Red Heart brand Casual Cot'n (approx 16 ounces for a size small adult)
- -P hook

Any brand of bulky weight yarn will work for this poncho. If you don't have any bulky weight yarn on hand, or prefer to use a different weight, you can use 2 strands of worsted weight or 3 strands of sport weight. If you use 2 or 3 strands, don't be afraid to use different colors for each strand - the effect turns out really nice! Remember, if you double or triple the strands you use, you will need to double or triple the amount of yarn you will need.

First, you will need to measure the person you are making the poncho for. Measure from the middle of one shoulder, across the collar bone and other shoulder and down the arm to where you'd like the poncho to come to - I suggest the forearm or wrist. After you have that number, double it. For example, when I measure myself, I am 30" so I double that to make 60".



Foundation Chain:

Now you need to make a foundation chain that is the length of your doubled measurements. So I would chain until my foundation chain was 60" long. *Do not stretch your chain when you measure it.* Try to keep it as flat as possible as you measure. (This will make up the width of the poncho).

Body:

Row 1: hdc in the 2nd ch from hook. hdc in each ch across.

Row 2: ch 2 loosely (counts as first dc now and throughout) and turn. Dc in each hdc across.

Row 3: ch 2 *loosely* and turn. Dc the next dc and in each dc across.

Repeat row 3 until the body measures the length you'd like it to be. (You can either do this by sight, or measure from the top of one shoulder and down the arm on the same side to where you want the poncho to come to.) Continue working row 3 until you reach that measurement.

Finishing:

Fold body in half and match up dc of the last row made. Ch 1, turn. With the dc lined up, sl st in the dc of both thicknesses to make the seam. Continue working sl sts towards the middle until you've got the hole for the head the size that you'd like for it to be. Finish off. Weave in end.

Optional:

You can add fringe to the edges if desired. Cut pieces of yarn measuring 8" long. With a smaller hook (any size will do, I used a J hook), fold the yarn in half, insert hook into space you'd like the fringe to be, hook the folded part of the yarn and pull it though the space, then yarn over the hook with both strands and pull through the loop. Continue to add the fringe evenly spaced as desired.

If you need further help with this pattern, please feel free to contact me at patti@dandeliondreamers.com.

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