



SKILL LEVEL: Medium

MEASUREMENTS:

Approx. 26" W x 29" L folded in half

MATERIALS:

- Yarn Bee® Soft & Sleek™, 5 oz (142 g) skeins of 232 yds (213 m):
 - Sage 6 skeins
- US size 11 (8 mm) knitting needles
- Yarn needle

GAUGE: 8 sts and 11 rows = $2 \frac{1}{2}$ "

ABBREVIATIONS:

BO – bind off cn – cable needle

CO - cast on

dcs – double cable stitch

dec – decrease/in

inc - increase/ing

k – knit

kn - knitting needle

p - purl

rep - repeat

scb – stitch cable back

scf – stitch cable front

sl – slip

st(s) - stitch(es)

SSPECIAL STITCH(ES):

3-stitch cable front (3scf): SI 2 sts on cn, holding it at front, p1. SI 2 sts, holding sts back on kn, k2.

3-stitch cable back (3scb): SI st on cn, holding it at back, k2. SI st, holding st back on kn, p1.

2-stitch cable front (2scf): SI st on cn, holding it at front, p1. SI st, holding st back on kn, k1.

2-stitch cable back (2scb): SI st on cn, holding it at back, k1. SI st, holding st back on kn, p1.

double cable stitch (dcs): SI st on cn, holding it at back, k1. SI st, holding st back on kn, k1. SI st on cn, holding it at front, k1. SI st, holding st back on kn, k1.

INSTRUCTIONS:

With double strand yarn, CO 76 sts.

Row 1: *k1, p1. Rep from *, turn.

Row 2: *p1, k1. Rep from *, turn.

Row 3: P on purl sts, k on knit sts. Rep in all odd rows.

Row 4: *k1, p1. Rep from *, turn.

In next rows, continue to rep rows 2-5 in first and last 5 sts. St beginning in row 6 goes after and before those 5 sts.

Row 5: Rep row 3.

Row 6: *Sl st on cn, holding it at front, k1. Sl st, holding st back on kn. K1, p7, dcs, sl st on cn, holding it at back, k1. Sl st, holding st back on kn, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 8: *3scf, p5, 2scb, k2, 2scf, p5, 3scb, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 10: *p1, 3scf, p3, 2scb, p1, k2, p1, 2scf, p3, 3scb, p1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 12: * k1, p1, 3scf, p1, 2scb, p2, k2, p2, 2scf, p1, 3scb, p1, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 14: *k1, p2, 3scf, p4, k2, p4, 3scb, p2, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 16: *k1, p3, 3scf, p3, k2, p3, 3scb, p3, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 18: *k1, p3, k1, 3scf, p2, k2, p2, 3scb, k1, p3, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 20: *k1, p2, 2scb, p1, 3scf, p4, 3scb, p1, 2scf, p2, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 22: *k1, p1, 2scb, p3, 3scf, p2, 3scb, p3, 2scf, p1, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Row 24: *k1, 2scb, p5, 3scf, 3scb, p5, 2scf, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn.

Rows 26-28: Rep row 6.

Row 30: *k1, 2scf, p5, 3scb, 3scf, p5, 2scb, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 32: *k1, p1, 2scf, p3, 3scb, p2, 3scf, p3, 2scb, p1, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 34: *k1, p2, 2scf, p1, 3scb, p1, k2, p1, 3scf, p1, 2scb, p2, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 36: *k1, p4, 3scb, p2, k2, p2, 3scf, p4, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 38: *k1, p3, 3scb, p3, k2, p3, 3scf, p3, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 40: *k1, p2, 3scb, k1, p3, k2, p3, k1, 3scf, p2, k1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 42: *p2, 3scb, p1, 2scf, p2, k2, p2, 2scb, p1, 3scf, p2, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 44: *p1, 3scb, p3, 2scf, p1, k2, p1, 2scb, p3, 3scf, p1, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 46: *3scb, p5, 2scf, k2, 2scb, p5, 3scf, rep from * 3 times, turn, inc.

Row 48: Rep row 6.

Rep rows 6-48 two and a half times to complete one side. At the same time, when piece measures 20", start dec 1 st every other row at end of row until you get 60 sts. K 6 rows, following instructions for rows 2-5.

K back part of poncho symmetrically, inc 1 st every other row at end of row until you get back 76 sts. Begin second part of poncho, k other half of design pending from first part and rep rows 6-48 two times. Rep rows 2-5 in last 6 rows. BO.

FINISHING

Fold piece in half and sew straight part with dec and inc sts (20"). In the open space with inc and dec sts, CO 50 sts all around to make collar. Work 5 rows of k st, inc 1 st every 2 sts, continue k to complete 6 ½". BO. Stretch piece with steam.

For detailed projects like these, try a solid-colored yarn-this will keep the design elements from fading into the piece.



SHELL DONE

Step into spring with a lightweight poncho that features a beginner-friendly two-panel design and an airy shell stitch, which creates the loose, open look of the third block.



ABBREVIATIONS:

blo – back loop only rep – repeat
ch – chain sk – skip
dc – double crochet sp – space
flo – front loop only tog – together
hdc – half double crochet tr – treble crochet
hk – hook WS – wrong sides

SKILL LEVEL: Easy

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:

Each panel is 26 x 29"

MATERIALS:

Yarn Bee[®] Soft & SleekTM,
 5 oz (142 g) skeins of 232 yds (213 m):

- Blush (A) 2 skeins
- Brownie (B) 2 skeins
- Spice (C) 4 skeins
- US Size H/8 (5 mm) crochet hook

GAUGE: 14 sts and 6 rows = 4" square of dc

INSTRUCTIONS:

Make 2.

With A, ch 100.

Row 1: Tr in fifth ch from hk and each ch across. Ch 2, turn.

Row 2: Hdc in flo of each st across, ch 4, turn.

Row 3: Tr in blo of each st across, ch 2, turn.

Rows 4-7: Rep rows 2-3.

Join B.

Rows 8-15: Rep rows 2-3 (do not ch at end of row 15).

Join C.

Row 16: Ch 3, sk first 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in fourth st, *sk 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in next st, rep from * across. Work 1 dc in last st, ch 3, turn.

Row 17: 5 dc in each ch 1 sp across, dc in top of ch 3 at end of row, ch 3, turn.

Row 18: (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in third dc of 5 dc shell from previous row. Rep across, dc in top of ch 3 at end of row, ch 3, turn.

Rows 19-46: Rep rows 17-18.

At end of row 46, do not ch. Work 3 dc in top of ch 3 at end of row. You will now turn and work up side of poncho.

Evenly dc into end of each row until you reach color B. Join color B, dc evenly into end of each row until you reach color A. Join color A, dc evenly into end of each row, work 3 dc in corner and continue to dc across top, work 3 dc in next corner and evenly dc in end of each row until you reach color B. Join color B, evenly dc into end of each row until you reach color C. Join color C, evenly dc into end of each row, working 3 dc into last corner. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Place both panels together, WS tog. Join A in top corner st of either side, making sure to go through both panels. Whipstitch panels together, 30 sts across top. Fasten off. Rep on opposite side. Weave in ends.