Lana D’Oro

Lady Poncho

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This super fashionable poncho is worked from the bottom up, in two rectangles that are connected at the shoulders using a three-needle bind off. The front has neckline shaping, thus is not a “real” rectangle. The garter stitch cowl neck is worked by picking up stitches around the neckline. Two large buttons close the sides.

**Sizes:**  XS (S, M, L) [XL, 2XL, 3XL]  
The poncho is designed to fit actual chest circumference of 32-34 (36, 38, 40-42) [44-46, 48-50, 52-54]”

**Poncho Dimensions:**  
Front/Back Width: 23 (24, 26, 27) [29, 20, 32]”  
Front/Back Height: 28 (29, 29, 30) [30, 30, 30]”  
Cowl Circumference: 31 (31, 31, 31) [32, 33, 33]”  
Cowl Height: 8” (all sizes)

**Gauge:** 18 sts & 28 rows /4” in stockinette stitch on size U.S. 8 (5 mm) needles

**Yarn:** Cascade Yarns Alpaca Lana D’Oro (50% Alpaca, 50% Wool) (219 yds/230m per skein) - 5 (5, 6, 6)[7, 7, 8] skeins; approx. 900 (1000, 1100, 1250) (1400, 1500, 1600) yards

**Needles:** U.S. 8 (5 mm) circular needle in 16” and 32” length or size needle to get gauge

**Notions:**  
Two 2-3” buttons that match the yarn  
Spare circular needles (to hold stitches and to use for three needle should BO)  
Tapestry needle

**Abbreviations:**  
st/sts  stitch/stitches  
CO    cast on  
BO    bind off  
RS    right-side row  
K    knit  
P    purl  
YO    yarn over  
M1    From the front, lift loop between stitches with left needle, knit into back of loop (1 st increased)  
K2tog  knit 2sts together  
SSK  slip 1 as if to knit, slip 1 as if to knit, knit together

**Button Hole:** Since the buttonhole is worked over 6 sts to accommodate a large sized button, I recommend to work a “Tulip Buttonhole. Internet Search Term: “tulip buttonhole TECHknitting”. This will lead you to a website that features a video and link to further instructions with diagrams.

**Directions:**

**Back:**  
CO sts 102 (109, 116, 123) [130, 137, 144] sts.  
Work 10 rows in garter sts.

**Set-up Row (WS):**  
K8 * P2, K5 * - repeat 12 (13, 14, 15) [16, 17, 18] times, P2, K8

**Row 1 (RS):**
K8, * YO, K2tog, P5 * - repeat 12 (13, 14, 15)[16, 17, 18] times, YO, K2tog, K8

Row 2 (WS):
K8, * P2, K5 * - repeat 12 (13, 14, 15)[16, 17, 18] times, P2, K8

Row 3 (RS):
K8, * K2tog, YO, P5 * - 12 (13, 14, 15)[16, 17, 18] times, K2tog, YO, K8

Row 4 (WS):
K8 * P2, K5 * - repeat 12 (13, 14, 15)[16, 17, 18] times, P2, K8

Repeat rows 1-4 until back measures 28 (29, 29, 30) [30, 30, 30] “ in height, ending with a Row 4.

Place all sts onto a spare circular needle/or stitch holder.

Front:
Work the front the same way as back, until 15 – 4 Row pattern repeats have been worked.

Next RS Row: Buttonhole Row
K1, work buttonhole over next 6 sts, K1; work in pattern to last 8 sts, K1, work buttonhole over next 6 st, K1.
(see pattern notes for best way to work buttonhole)

Continue to work the front the same way as back, until front measures 24 (25, 25, 26)[26, 26, 26]“ in height, start working the neckline.

Shape Neckline-
Next RS Row: Work 40 (44, 47, 51)[54, 57, 60] sts in pattern; place center 22 (21, 22, 21)[22, 23, 24] sts onto a spare circular needle, join second ball of yarn, work in pattern to end of row.

Work each front side separately from this point forward -
Decrease 1 st at each neck edge every other row 5 (5, 5, 5)[7, 7, 7] times;

Work in pattern until front measures same as back, 28 (29, 29, 30) [30, 30, 30] “ in height.
Place remaining 35 (39, 42, 46)[47, 50, 53] sts for each shoulder onto spare circular needle.

Join Shoulder Seams:

Keep center 32 (31, 32, 31)[36, 37, 38] center back sts on spare circular needle.


Cowl Neck:
K 32 (31, 32, 31)[36, 37, 38] sts center back, PM,
pick up and k 30 (31, 30, 31)[32, 32, 32]sts along left side,
K 22 (21, 22, 21)[22, 23, 24] sts front center sts,
pick up and k 30 (31, 30, 31)[32, 32, 32] sts along right side, PM* and join to work in round.
(Marker* denotes marker for end/beginning of round.)

114 (114, 114, 114)[122, 124 126] sts on needles.
Round 1: SM, P all sts to end of round.
Round 2: SM. K1, M1, K to 1 st before next marker, M1, K1, SM, K1, M1, K to 1 st before next marker, M1, K1. (4 sts increased).

Repeat Round 1 & Round 2 - 5 more times (all sizes)
Remove second stitch marker.

Round 1a: SM, P all sts to end of round.
Round 2a: SM, K all sts to end of round.

Repeat Round 1a & Round 2a – 16 more times.
Next Round: BO all sts loosely.

**Finishing:**
Weave in ends. Sew button onto back (ensure to place buttons opposite the front button holes). Block to measurements. Enjoy! J 114 (114, 114, 114)[122, 124 126] sts on needles.