



KNIT  
SKILL LEVEL  
EASY

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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Team Spirit™:** 5 (6, 6) skeins 942 Black/Gray

**Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:**  
5.5mm [US 9] 32" (80 cm) circular  
needle  
Stitch marker, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 15 sts = 4" (10 cm);  
24 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Ridge  
pattern. 22 sts = 4" (10 cm) in 1x1  
Rib, unstretched. **CHECK YOUR  
GAUGE. Use any size needles to  
obtain the gauge.**



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244 yd (223 m) skeins

# Game Ready Knit Poncho

*You'll love having this cozy rib-neck poncho for sporting events and to show which team you support wherever you go. Knit in self-striping Team Spirit yarn you can choose from all the most popular team colors.*

SHOP KIT

**Directions are for size Small/Medium.  
Changes for sizes Large/X-Large and XX-  
Large/XXX-Large are in parentheses.**

**To Fit Bust:** 32-38 (40-46, 48-54)" [81.5-96.5  
(101.5-117, 122-137) cm]

**Finished Neck Circumference:** 18 (19½,  
21)" [45.5 (49.5, 53.5) cm], unstretched

**Finished Lower Edge Circumference:** 76  
(80, 84)" [193 (203, 213.5) cm]

**Finished Length:** 27 (29, 30½)" [68.5 (73.5,  
77.5) cm], not including ribbed neck or  
fringe

## Notes

1. Poncho is made from two identical pieces: Back and Front.
2. Each piece is worked in a Ridge pattern from the lower edge up to the neck edge. The neck is then worked in 1x1 Rib. One stitch at the beginning and end of each row is worked in Stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) to make seaming the pieces easier.
3. Side edges are seamed to complete Poncho.
4. Circular needle is used to accommodate large number of stitches. Work back and forth on circular needle as if working with straight needles.

## Special Stitch

**ssk (slip, slip, knit)** = Slip next 2 stitches, one at a time as if to knit, to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of stitches, knit these sts together through back loop – 1 st decreased.

## BACK

Cast on 142 (150, 158) sts.

**Set-Up Row (wrong side):** K71 (75, 79), place marker on needle, k71 (75, 79).

**Decrease Row (right side):** K1 (edge stitch), k2tog, knit to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1, slip marker, k1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 (edge stitch)—138 (146, 154) sts.

**Next Row:** P1, knit to last st, p1.

## Begin Ridge Pattern and Shape Sides

**Row 1:** Knit.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** Knit.

**Row 4:** P1, knit to last st, p1.

**Row 5:** Knit.

**Row 6:** Purl.

**Row 7:** Repeat Decrease Row—134 (142, 150) sts.

**Row 8:** P1, knit to last st, p1.

**Rows 9–136 (144, 152):** Repeat last 8 rows 16 (17, 18) more times—70 (74, 78) sts remain.

## Ribbed Neck

**Row 1 (right side):** Knit.

**Row 2 (neck decrease row):** P0 (1, 3), [p2, p2tog, p1, p2tog] 10 times, p0 (3, 5)—50 (54, 58) sts.

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**Row 3:** \*K1, p1; repeat from \* to end of row.  
Repeat Row 3 for 1x1 Rib until piece  
measures about 6" (15 cm) from neck  
decrease row.  
Bind off loosely.

## FRONT

Make same as Back.

## FINISHING

Sew side seams of Front and Back together.

Fringe (optional)

Cut 5 strands, each 13" (33 cm) long. Fold  
strands in half to form a loop. Insert crochet  
hook from wrong side through lower edge.  
Place fold on hook and draw fold through,  
forming a loop. Thread ends of strands  
through loop and pull to tighten. Repeat  
to attach fringe evenly spaced along lower  
edge. Trim ends evenly.  
Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together;  
**p** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); [ ] = work  
directions in brackets the number of times  
specified; \* = repeat whatever follows the \*  
as indicated.

