"The Gift"

Poncho

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TECHNIQUE USED: Crochet

SIZES

X-Small/Small (Medium, Large/X-Large)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Length: 18 (20, 22), plus scalloped edge
Lower edge: approximately 72 (80, 88)"

MATERIALS

Caron International Simply Soft
(100% acrylic; 6 oz/172 g, approx 330 yds/304 m):
3 (3, 3) skeins #9742 grey heather;
3 (3, 3) skeins #9703 bone

use 1 strand of each held together throughout

Crochet hook size US K/10.5 (6.5 mm),
or size to obtain gauge
Tapestry ndl (tn);
stitch markers (optional)

GAUGE

Using size US K/10.5 (6.5 mm) hook, in St patt: 10 sts and 6 rows = 4"/10 cm;
Scallops measure approx 4" wide x 3" deep

STITCHES USED

Chain (ch)
Double crochet (dc)
Reverse single crochet (rev sc)
Single crochet (sc)
Slip stitch (sl st)
2 x 1 Cluster Stitch (multiple of 3 sts +2; 2-row repeat)
Row 1: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), * skip next 2 dc, work 2 dc in next ch-1 space (cluster made), ch 1; repeat from * across, end dc in top of beginning ch, turn.
Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in ch-1 space, * ch 1, skip next 2 dc, work 2 dc in next ch-1 space; repeat from * across, turn.

Fan Pattern (multiple of 10 sts; 3-rows)
Foundation Row: Beginning approx 2" from center Back point (corner of short edge and long edge which hangs down), join yarn with a sl st, ch 1, work 5 sc to corner, ch 1, then working into corner st a second time, sc around, join with a sl st to beginning ch; work 133 (150, 166) sc along long edge of original piece, work 26 (29, 33) sts total along short end—160 (180, 200) sts, with the ch-1 at corner being the center of the first fan.
Row 1: Ch 1, skip first sc, sc in next 3 sc, ch 1, skip 1 sc, work 5 dc in corner ch-1 (fan made), * ch 1, skip 1 sc, sc in next 7 sc, ch 1, skip 1 sc, work 5 dc in next sc (fan); repeat from * around, end ch 1, skip 1 sc, sc to beginning of rnd, join with sl st to beginning ch.
Row 2: Ch 1, skip first sc, sc in next sc, * ch 2, skip next [2 sc, ch-1], work 2 dc in each dc of fan, ch 2, skip next [ch-1, 2 sc], sc in next 3 sc; repeat from * around, end last repeat ch 2, skip next [ch-1, 2 sc], join with a sl st to beginning ch.
Row 3: Ch 3, skip next [sc, ch-2], * in fan, work [* 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc; repeat from * around fan], ch 3, skip next [ch-2, sc], sc in next sc, ch 3, skip next [sc, ch-2]; repeat from * around, end last repeat ch 3, sl st in beginning ch. Fasten off.

NOTE: Poncho is worked from the lower edge to upper edge as a large rectangle; the Scalloped edging is worked after Poncho is sewn together. There is actually no Back or Front to this Poncho – it may be worn with the pointed end in Back or in Front for 2 entirely different looks. References to Back and Front are for clarification of the instructions only.

PONCHO
Loosely ch 136 (154, 169).
Foundation Row: Beginning in 4th ch from hook, dc in next ch, ch 1, skip 1 ch, dc in next 2 ch; repeat from * across, end dc in last 2 ch—134 (152, 167) sts, turn.
Begin 2 x 1 Cluster Stitch; work even until piece measures 18 (20, 22)" from the beginning.
Fasten off.

FINISHING
Referring to schematic and Diagram, measure along lower edge 18 (20, 22)"; place a marker (pm). Fold piece, matching points Y to Y and Z to Z; neatly sew seam.
Neck Edging: Row 1: Beginning at lower edge of V-neck (center Back), join yarn, ch 1, work 1 row sc evenly around neck edge, join with a sl st to beginning ch. DO NOT TURN.
Row 2: Working from left to right, work 1 row rev sc evenly around neck. Fasten off.
Lower Edging: Work Foundation Row of Fan patt, working 160 (180, 200) sc around entire lower edge.
Work Rows 1 – 3 of Fan patt once. Fasten off. Weave in ends.