

# EASY STRIPED PONCHO without seam

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Instructions for re yarnning Churchmouse Classic “**Easy Folded Poncho**” without a seam and with optional stripes. We recommend you purchase the original Churchmouse pattern via Churchmouse or Ravelry.

- Yarn:** 7 balls Drops Air (solid colour with cowl), OR 6 balls Drops Air + 1 ball Drops Air (stripe) (with cowl), OR 5 balls Drops Air (solid colour without cowl)
- Needles and Notions:** Size 5mm x 80cm circular needle, 5 mm crochet hook, Smooth waste yarn, extra circular needle – any size, size 5mm x 40cm circular needle (for cowl)
- Size** (folded in half) 25 inches x 22 inches. This size can be adjusted by casting on more or fewer stitches or by adding more rows after the two sides have been joined.

**Provisional Cast On:** Crochet a chain 110 stitches long with smooth waste yarn. Cut yarn and make a knot (to denote last stitch of chain – you will unzip from this end). Turn chain over and pick up and work into every bump as follows: [ Knit 1, Purl 1,] x 2, knit a further 96 stitches (100 stitches in all)

**Body**

Row 1: Purl to last four stitches, [knit 1, purl 1] x 2

Row 2: [knit 1, purl 1] x 2, knit to end of row

Repeat these 2 rows until 26 inches have been worked, finishing at the end of a knit row. Carefully unzip the provisional cast on starting at the end with the knot, place these stitches onto the extra needle. With the working yarn, knit the stitches from the extra needle onto the end of your working needle. You will have 200 stitches on your needle with a four seed stitch border at each end.

Maintaining the borders at each end, work a few more rows across all stitches. Work a further 12 inches, adding stripes, texture etc.

Next row: Knit 1, purl 1 to end of row (Repeat this row 4 times more). Cast off in pattern. Darn in all ends.

**Cowl (Optional)**

On the right side of work, pick up and knit 3 stitches for every 4 rows around the neck opening. Working in the round, knit 7 – 8 inches. Cast off loosely. This cowl will roll to the reverse side. If you wish the cowl to show the smooth side of the stocking stitch, pick up the stitches on the wrong side of the neck open

**Got Questions?**

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