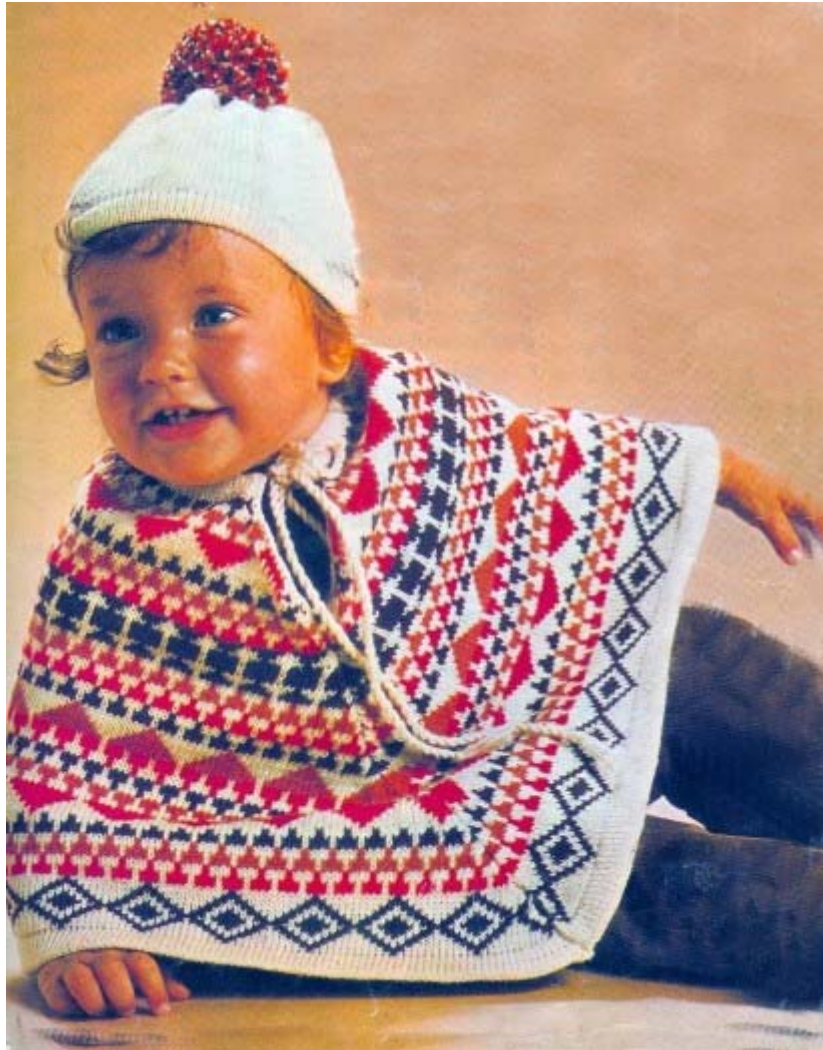


Machine Knit Poncho and Hat for Baby

This is not my pattern. I found it & edited the instructions to make it easier to knit & have added a selection of fair-isle motifs. The original fair-isle motifs are not included as they were written for those who do not have automatic patterning.



Measurements: To fit baby aged 3 to 12 months.

Fair-isle tension: 30 stitches & 38 rows = 10cms (4 inches) Approx T8

Using 4ply 25gramme balls:

6 balls colour A for Poncho, 2 balls for Hat

3 balls colour B for Poncho, small amount for Hat

2 balls in each colours C & D for Poncho, small amount for Hat

Quite honestly – the amount of yarn needed for this poncho is only bits & pieces that you have spare.

Instructions:

1. Using waste yarn cast on 199 stitches and knit a few rows
2. Using colour A, main tension -3, knit 8 rows
3. Knit 1 row at loosest tension for folding
4. Main tension -2, knit 8 rows
5. Make hem, and knit the row
6. RC 000 Main Tension
7. Working in fairisle patterns knit 2 rows *Decease 1 stitch at each end of next 2 rows. Knit 1 row*
8. Repeat from * to * 26 more times. 91 stitches remain.
9. Decease 1 stitch at each end of next 14 rows. 63 stitches remain.
10. Break yarn, knit a few rows in waste yarn & remove work from machine.
11. Bring forward 48 needles, replace work on machine as follows: *1 stitch on each of first 2 needles & 2 stitches on next needle*
12. Repeat from * to * to last 3 needles, place 1 stitch on each needle.
13. Tension -2, using only colour A, knit 6 rows.
14. Knit 1 row at loosest tension for foldline
15. Tension -3, knit 6 rows.
16. Cast off loosely.

Work a second piece the same.

To Finish:

Join seams leaving 10 cms (4 inches) opening on the front seam.

Turn hems at top and bottom to inside and stitch in place.

Using medium sized crochet hook and colour A, work 1 row of firm single crochet along each edge of opening.

Make a draw-string using 4 lengths of colour A 300cms (120 inches) long.

Twist together very firmly, fold in half and allow to twist upon itself.

Knot ends firmly.

Thread draw-string through hem at top of poncho.

Press seams lightly.

HAT

1. Using waste yarn, cast on 117 stitches, and knit a few rows.
2. Using colour A, Tension -2, knit 8 rows.
3. Knit 1 row loosest tension for fold line.
4. Tension -1, knit 8 rows.
5. Make a hem, and knit the row.
6. RC000. Working in pattern and using main tension, knit 13 rows.
7. Using colour A only, knit 50 rows.
8. Do not break yarn. Knit a few rows in waste yarn, remove work from machine and replace, placing 1 stitch on first needle, then 2 stitches on each needle to end*. 59 stitches.
9. Knit 6 rows.

10. Repeat * to * . 30 stitches.
11. Knit 2 rows.
12. Remove work from machine and thread yarn through remaining stitches, draw up firmly and fasten off.
13. Join back seam.
14. Make a pom-pom and sew to top of hat.

