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What you will need:

RED HEART® Cutie Pie™: 1 (2, 2, 2) balls 541 Jelly

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 4mm [US G-6]

Yarn needle

GAUGE: 13 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 9 rows = 6" [15 cm] in openwork strip pattern. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

3 LIGHT

RED HEART® Cutie Pie™, Art. E834 available in 3.5 oz (100 g) 326 yd (299 m) balls

Little Fashion Poncho

Young girls will love feeling fashionable in this comfortable to wear poncho. Choose her favorite color of this soft chenille yarn and crochet it in little time.

Directions are for size 2 years; changes for sizes 4, 6 and 8 years are in parentheses.

Width: 20 (21, 23, 24)" [51 (53.5, 58.5, 61) cm]
Length: 12 (13, 14½, 16)" [30.5 (33, 37, 40.5) cm]

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Bpdc: (back post double crochet) Yo, insert hook from back to front then to back, going around post of indicated st, draw up a loop, [yo and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice. Skip st in front of the Bpdc.

Fpdc: (front post double crochet) Yo, insert hook from front to back then to front, going around post of indicated st, draw up a loop, [yo and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice. Skip st behind the Fpdc.

PONCHO
BACK

Ch 66 (71, 76, 81).
Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across – 65 (70, 75, 80) sc.
Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), turn, dc in next sc, [ch 1, skip next sc, dc in next 4 sc] across to last 3 sc, ch 1, skip next sc, dc in last 2 sc – 65 (70, 75, 80) sts.
Row 3: Ch 3, turn, dc in next dc, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next 4 dc] across to last 3 sts, ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in last 2 dc – 65 (70, 75, 80) sts.
Repeat Row 3 for 16 (18, 20, 22) more rows and piece measures 12 (13, 14½, 16)" [30.5 (33, 37, 40.5) cm] from beginning. Fasten off.

Bottom Edging

Row 1: With right side facing and working along opposite edge of foundation ch, join yarn at right side with a slip st, ch 3, dc in each ch across lower edge – 65 (70, 75, 80) dc.
Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first post st), turn, [Bpdc in next dc, Fpdc in next dc] across to last 0 (1, 0, 1) st, Bpdc in last 0 (1, 0, 1) st. Fasten off.

FRONT

Work same as for Back until 16 (18, 20, 22) rows have been worked and piece measures 10½ (11½, 13, 14½)" [26.5 (29, 33, 37) cm] from beginning.

Shape Neck and Shoulders
First Shoulder

Row 1: Keeping in pattern st, work across first 22 (24, 26, 28) sts, leave remaining sts unworked.
Row 2: Work in pattern st across 22 (24, 26, 28) sts. Fasten off.

Second Shoulder

Row 1: Skip next 21 (22, 23, 24) unworked sts on last full row worked, join yarn in next st with a slip st, ch 3, work in pattern to end of row.
Row 2: Work in pattern st across 22 (24, 26, 28) sts. Fasten off.

Work Bottom Edging as for Back.

FINISHING
Sew Shoulders.
Side Edging
Row 1: With right side facing, join yarn at side edge at lower edge of Back with a ch 1, sc evenly spaced along side edge from lower edge of Back to lower edge of Front.
Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across. Fasten off. Repeat along opposite side edge. Sew side seams 6 (7, 8, 9)" [15 (18, 20.5, 23) cm] from lower edge.

Neck Edging
Round 1: With right side facing, join yarn at right shoulder seam ready to work across Back neck, sc 21 (22, 23, 24) sts evenly spaced across back neck, sc 6 sts along edges of rows of Front Neck, sc 21 (22, 23, 24) st across Front Neck, sc 6 along edges of Front Neck, slip st in first sc to join – 54 (56, 58, 60) sc.
Round 2: Ch 3, dc in each sc around, slip st in top of beginning ch-3 – 54 (56, 58, 60) dc.
Round 3: Ch 2, turn, [Bpdc in next dc, Fpdc in next dc] around to last st, Bpdc in last dc, slip st in top of beginning ch-2. Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations
Bpdc = Back post double crochet; **ch** = chain; **cm** = centimeters; **dc** = double crochet; **Fpdc** = Front post double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; *** or **** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

7 (7, 8, 8½)"
[18 (18, 20.5, 21.5) cm]

6 (7, 7, 7)"
[15 (18, 18, 18) cm]

12 (13, 14½, 16)"
[30.5 (33, 37, 40.5) cm]

1½"
[4 cm]

Front and Back

6 (6, 6½, 7)"
[15 (15, 16.5, 18) cm]

6 (7, 8, 9)"
[15 (18, 20.5, 23) cm]

20 (21, 23, 24)"
[51 (53.5, 58.5, 61) cm]