Campfire Blanket Patterns

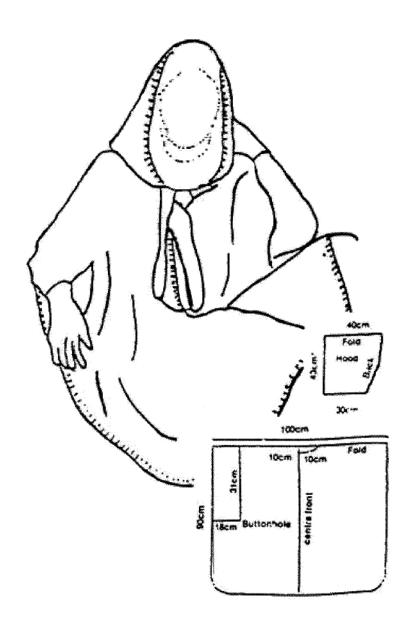
Coat With Hood
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Australian Camp Blanket 1 COAT WITH HOOD

- Using a blanket 184cm by 142cm, cut out the pattern shown on the diagram.
- Cut hood from the left over section, joining at the centre back.
- Gather neck section of the hood to fit the neckline of the jacket.
 Turn under 5cm edge and blanket stich the front of the hood.
- Stitch hood onto the jacket with the right sides facing. Overlock.
- Make buttonholes where marked on the front and stitch buttons to corresponding section on the inside of the back.
- Curve edges as on diagram.

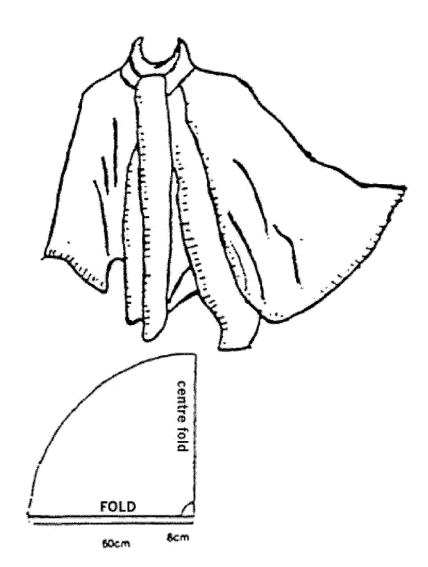
 Turn under and blanket stitch all edges in a contrasting embroidery thread.





Australian Camp Blanket 2 CAPE

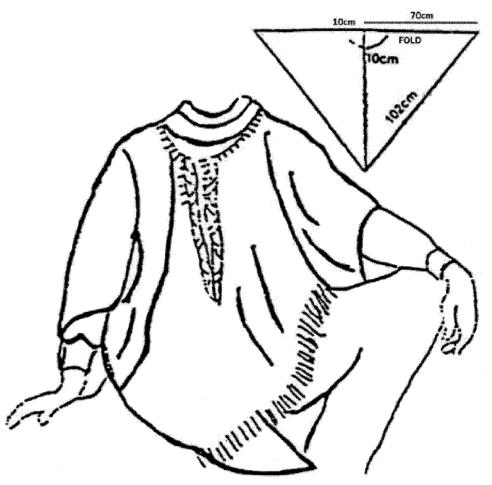
- Buy a blanket approx 170cm by 160cm
- · Fold the blanket in half widthwise and crosswise.
- · Cut out a full circle 60cm in radius, marking with pins first.
- · Cut down a single fold at the front.
- · Cut out a small section for the neckline, as on the diagram.
- Cut pieces from the leftovers to measure 202cm by 22cm when joined for use as a tie.
- Mark centre of the tie and pin it at the centre back of the neckline with the right sides facing
- · Stitch tie around the neck, easing where necessary.
- Turn to wrong side and turn under a 1cm edge and slip stitch down leaving the tie open from the neck edges.
- Blanket stitch all around the cape and around the edges of the tie.





Australian Camp Blanket 3 PONCHO

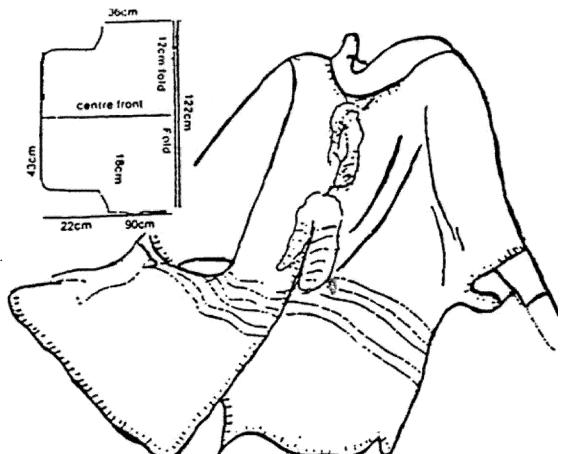
- · Use a blanket approx 102cm square
- · Fold the blanket diagonally and then in half again.
- Cut a small neck hole as on the diagram and slit 10cm deep at the front.
- Turn the edges of these under and blanket stitch.
- Using contrasting wools which tone with the blanket, make a thick plait 80cm long. Knot the ends.
- Make two loops with crochet chain or thread covered with buttonhole stitch at either side of the front neck edge.
- Thread plaited tie through loops and knot loosely.





Australian Camp Blanket 4 COAT

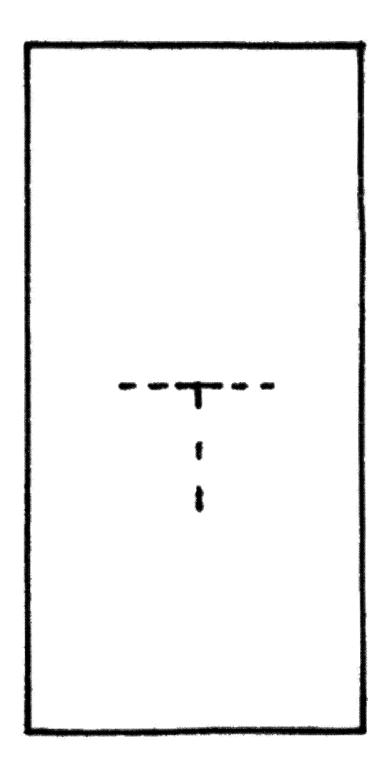
- Using a blanket approx
 122cm by 180cm
- · Fold the blanket in half widthwise.
- Following the diagram, cut down the centre front, cut out neckline and underarm.
- With right sides facing and using 2cm seams, stitch round underarm edges and side seams.
- · Overlock and clip seams.
- Turn to right side. Turn under 5cm and stitch round all edges with blanket stitch.
- Cut four ties from the section cut out of the underarm, each approx 32cm long and 5cm wide.
- · Turn under and stitch round edges of the ties.
- Stitch by hand onto front.





PONCHO STYLE 2

- * Fold the blanket in half lengthwise.
- * Make a slit along the fold either side of the centre line big enough to slip your head through.
- * A further slit is cut down from the centre of the first cut making a T shape.
- * Oversee the edges with a bright coloured wool.
- * Fold back the collar points and decorate.





SIMPLE FOLDED BLANKET

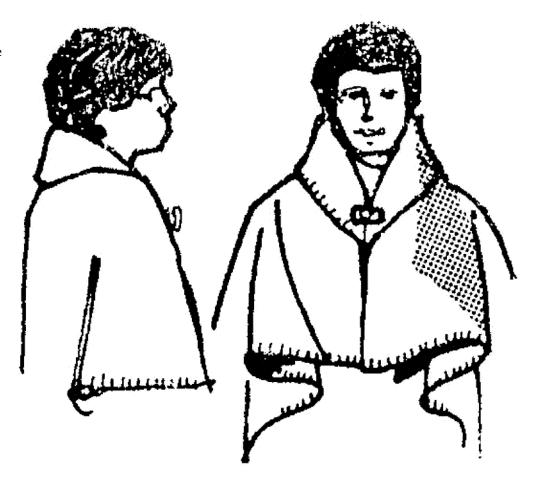
- * Fold the blanket in half lengthwise with a cord running inside the fold.
- * Tie this around the waist and arrange the blanket so that it sits neatly around you.
- * The outside fold of the blanket is now carried up over the shoulders and head.
- * The picture should help clarify this





CLOAK STYLE

- * Measure the blanket from the shoulders to just above the ground.
- * Let the rest of it fall down outside the blanket to somewhere around the waist or above (depending on your height).
- * Oversew the edges of the blanket together.
- * Attach two large decorative buttons to toggles to one side of the front and two cord loops to the other for fastening.





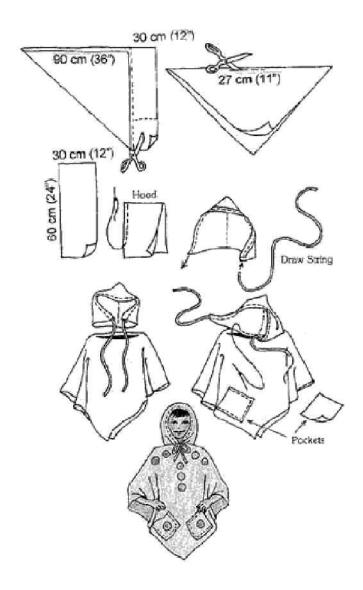
PONCHO STYLE 3

Materials

- · old blanket or new fabric 90 cm by 120 cm
- drawstring (heavy skate lace, thick cord or something else suitable)
- · scissors
- · thread
- · pins
- · sewing machine

Make Your Poncho

- 1. Make a square for the main body of the poncho by folding the fabric diagonally and cutting off the excess strip, as shown. Save the strip for the poncho hood.
- 2. Cut a neck opening about 27 cm wide. Be careful not to make the opening too big.
- 3. From the strip of fabric, cut a piece large enough to form a hood (about 60 cm by 30 cm). Fold it in half. The fold forms the top of the hood.
- 4. Sew one side of the hood to form the back seam.
- 5. Sew a casing around the front edge of the hood, through which a drawstring can be run.
- Sew the bottom edge of the hood to the neck opening, being careful not to sew the casing shut.
- 7. If you wish, finish the edges of your poncho with blanket stitch, a fringe, or hem.
- 8. With leftover fabric you can add a pocket or two.



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PONCHO STYLE 4

Materials

- 62 inches polar fleece (piece of fabric should be 62' x 60")
- · scissors
- · thread
- · pins
- · sewing machine

Make Your Poncho

- 1. Cut off a strip of material 14" wide from one long side of the fabric. This will be used to make the pocket and hood.
- 2. Make seams 5/8" wide, unless otherwise specified.

3. **HOOD:**

- a. Cut a 30" x 14" piece from the piece created in step 1.
- b. Fold hood in half, right sides together and sew along one long unfinished edge. Trim seam.
- c. Turn other unfinished edge back 1/2" and stitch down.
- d. Stay stitch lower edge of hood.

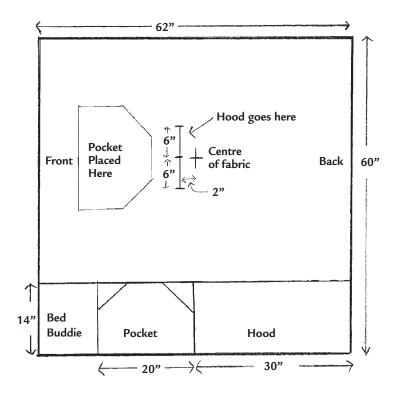
4. PONCHO:

- a. Fold blanket in half widthwise.
- b. Locate centre of this fold.
- c. Measure 2" down from the centre of the fold.
- d. At this point, and **through one thickness of the blanket only**, cut a slit 6" on either side of that point. (The slit ends up being 12" wide.)
- e. Fit the hood into slit in poncho, right sides together, and pin. Be sure to leave the opening at the front! The short side is the front.
- f. Ease in fullness, being careful not to pull apart slir.
- g. Stitch, then reinforce seam.
- h. Top stitch seam to make hood more secure.

5. POCKET:

If you want to sew crests onto the pocket, do so before you attach it to the poncho.

- a. Cut pocket out of piece left over from making the hood. (20" x 14" at bottom and 10" on top cutting slant for opening—see diagram)
- b. Turn under 1/2" of the slanted sides and zigzag to secure.
- c. If desired, use contrasting yarn and blanket stitch along these two sides.



5/8" seams

Turn under unfinished edges 1/2" and stitch

- d. Turn top, sides, and bottom edges of pocket under 1/2" and pin to front of poncho. (Try on the poncho and ensure the pocket is at a comfortable height.)
- e. Stitch onto poncho. NOTE: do NOT stitch slanted sides; they are the openings to the pocket.

The remaining pieces of fabric can be used to make a "Bed-time buddy" like the pew or handkerchief dolls of old.

- a. Using a square of fabric, turn down about 1/3 of the fabric. This will be the top.
- b. Make hands from the right and left hand top corners using small elastic bands.
- c. Take a round fluff of fiberfill, or a couple of cotton balls, and place beneath the fold in the centre for her head. Secure with another elastic band.
- d. The leftover triangle can be used to make her a head scarf. You can sew a face on your bed-time buddy and take her to camp with you.

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