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CROCHET PATTERN · US CROCHET TERMS

Ribbed Pumpkins

Classic ribbed pumpkins in three sizes, for autumn tables and shelves

SKILL	FINISHED SIZE	YARN	HOOK
Beginner	6 cm · 9 cm · 12 cm	Worsted (weight 4)	5.0 mm (US H-8)

Three sizes · US & UK terms · Printable tracker

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WELCOME

Hello, maker!

Welcome to Ribbed Pumpkins: the cosiest autumn make. Each pumpkin is a simple ribbed rectangle, seamed into a tube, gathered at both ends and shaped with a few wraps of yarn.

They are perfect for beginners and quick enough to make a whole patch for your table in a weekend.

With love, YaraDream

At a glance

SKILL	Beginner
TIME	1 to 2 hours each
SIZE	About small 6 cm / 2.3 in, medium 9 cm / 3.5 in, large 12 cm / 4.7 in across, with worsted yarn and a 5.0 mm hook
YARN	Worsted (weight 4), about 62 g in 3 colours (amounts per colour on page 3)
HOOK	5.0 mm (US H-8)
PIECES	Small pumpkin x1, Medium pumpkin x1, Large pumpkin x1, Stem x3, Leaf (optional) x3
WORKED	Flat in rows, then seamed and gathered
TERMS	US crochet terms; abbreviations on page 4

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Tick as you go

Every round has a box. Tick it when it is done, on paper or on a tablet.

Count your stitches

The number at the end of each round is your stitch total.

US crochet terms

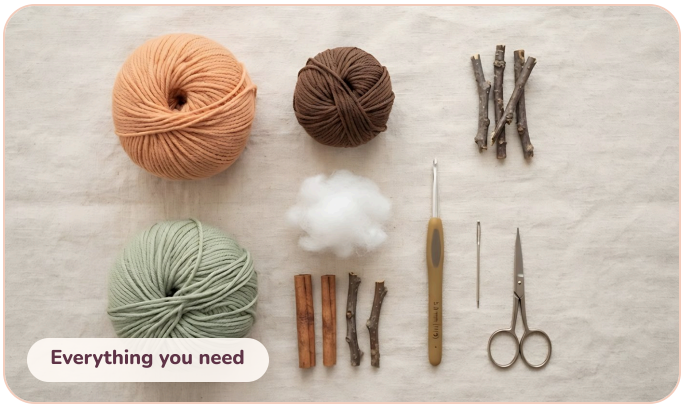
Prefer UK terms? The UK-terms files are in your download.

Safety. A decoration, not a toy, if you use a cinnamon stick or twig for the stem.

BEFORE YOU START

Materials & tools

Soft worsted yarn in pumpkin colours, plus small amounts for the stems and leaves.



Everything you need

Gauge

About 13 sc and 16 rows = 10 cm (4 in) in sc worked in back loops only. Gauge is not critical: a looser tension makes a bigger pumpkin.

Yarn

A	**Pumpkin** Worsted, soft acrylic or wool	**56 g / 106 m (all 3)**
B	**Stem** Worsted	**4 g / 6 m**
C	**Leaf** Worsted	**2 g / 3 m**

Amounts come from the stitch totals of this pattern, plus about 25% for tails and tension.

Tools & notions

- [ ] 5.0 mm (US H-8) crochet hook, or the size needed to obtain gauge
- [ ] Polyester fibrefill, about 30 g for all three
- [ ] Tapestry needle
- [ ] Scissors
- [ ] Optional: cinnamon sticks or twigs for stems

Good to know

- Velvet or chenille yarn makes very soft, plush pumpkins. Use the same stitch counts.
- Mix three shades of orange, cream and sage for a natural-looking patch.

STITCH GUIDE

Stitches & abbreviations

This copy uses US crochet terms. The UK name of each stitch is shown beside it.

US	UK	WHAT IT MEANS
[ ] n times	**[ ] n times**	repeat the stitches inside the brackets n times
ch	**ch**	chain
dc	**tr**	double crochet
hdc	**htr**	half double crochet
MR	**MR**	magic ring (also called magic circle)
Rnd	**Rnd**	round
sc	**dc**	single crochet
sl st	**sl st**	slip stitch
st(s)	**st(s)**	stitch(es)
Sts	**Sts**	the stitch total at the end of the round or row

Working in rows

Flat pieces are worked back and forth.

1. At the end of each row, chain 1 and turn the work. The chain does not count as a stitch.
2. Work the first stitch of the new row into the last stitch of the row before.
3. Count the stitches at the end of every row.

Back loop only (BLO)

Working in the back loops makes the ribs.

1. Each stitch has two loops on top. The back loop is the one farther from you.
2. Insert the hook under the back loop only, then work the stitch as usual.
3. The front loops left behind make a ridge on the fabric.

Gathering an edge

Closes the ends of the tube.

1. Thread a long tail on a tapestry needle.
2. Go in and out through the ends of the rows, all along the edge, about every row.
3. Pull the tail firmly to gather the edge closed, then knot it.

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Pattern notes

Before you start

- The pumpkins are worked flat in rows: turn at the end of every row. The ch 1 does not count as a stitch.
- Every row after Row 1 is worked in back loops only.
- The row count makes the width around the pumpkin, the stitch count makes its height.

Construction at a glance

1. **Small pumpkin**
   Make 1 · 24 rows · colour A
2. **Medium pumpkin**
   Make 1 · 36 rows · colour A
3. **Large pumpkin**
   Make 1 · 48 rows · colour A
4. **Stem**
   Make 3 · 5 rounds · colour B
5. **Leaf (optional)**
   Make 3 · 1 rounds · colour C

All the pieces, ready to put together

LET'S MAKE IT

The pattern

Choose a size, or make all three. Each pumpkin gets a stem, and a leaf if you like.

1 Small pumpkin

12 sts wide, 24 rows.

A · Pumpkin — Make 1

	ROW	INSTRUCTIONS	STS
☐	**Start**	Ch 13.	13
☐	**Row 1**	Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across.	12
		Tip. Row 1 is worked into the chain. From Row 2 on, every row is worked in back loops only: that makes the ribs.	
☐	**Rows 2–24**	Ch 1, turn. Working in back loops only: Sc in each st across. *Do not fasten off. Go on to "Making the pumpkin" on the next page.*	12

2 Medium pumpkin

18 sts wide, 36 rows.

A · Pumpkin — Make 1

	ROW	INSTRUCTIONS	STS
☐	**Start**	Ch 19.	19
☐	**Row 1**	Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across.	18
		Tip. Row 1 is worked into the chain. From Row 2 on, every row is worked in back loops only: that makes the ribs.	
☐	**Rows 2–36**	Ch 1, turn. Working in back loops only: Sc in each st across. *Do not fasten off. Go on to "Making the pumpkin" on the next page.*	18

3 Large pumpkin

24 sts wide, 48 rows.

A · Pumpkin · Make 1

ROW	INSTRUCTIONS	STS
☐ **Start**	Ch 25.	25
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across.	24
	Tip. Row 1 is worked into the chain. From Row 2 on, every row is worked in back loops only: that makes the ribs.	
☐ **Rows 2–48**	Ch 1, turn. Working in back loops only: Sc in each st across. *Do not fasten off. Go on to "Making the pumpkin" on the next page.*	24

4 Stem

One for each pumpkin.

B · Stem · Make 3

RND	INSTRUCTIONS	STS
☐ **Rnd 1**	6 sc in a magic ring.	6
☐ **Rnds 2–5**	Sc in each st around. *Fasten off and leave a 30 cm tail. Do not stuff.*	6

5 Leaf (optional)

A little leaf for each stem.

C · Leaf · Make 3

RND	INSTRUCTIONS	STS
☐ **Start**	Ch 8.	8
☐ **Leaf**	Starting in the 2nd ch from the hook, work one stitch in each ch: sl st, sc, hdc, dc, dc, hdc, sc. *Fasten off and leave a 20 cm tail.*	7

PUTTING IT TOGETHER

Making the pumpkin

- **Placement guide**
  - Small pumpkin: 6 wraps of yarn for the segments.
  - Medium pumpkin: 6 wraps of yarn for the segments.
  - Large pumpkin: 8 wraps of yarn for the segments.
  - Stem: in the dip at the centre of the top. Leaf: beside the stem.

☐ 1 **Make a tube.** Fold the piece so the foundation chain meets the last row. Slip stitch them together, going through one loop of the chain and the back loop of each stitch of the last row. Fasten off, leaving a 60 cm tail.

☐ 2 **Gather and stuff.** Gather one edge closed with the tail and knot. Stuff, not too firmly. Gather the other edge with a new length of yarn and knot.

☐ 3 **Make the segments.** Thread a long length of colour A. Go from the bottom centre straight up through the top centre. Bring the yarn down the outside, back to the bottom centre, and go up through the middle again. Pull a little to make a dip. Repeat, spacing the wraps evenly around.

☐ 4 **Stem and leaf.** Sew the stem into the top dip, and the leaf beside it. Or push a cinnamon stick into the centre for a real-looking stem.

- **Finishing & care**
  - Hide all the ends inside the pumpkin.
  - Squash and shape the pumpkin with your hands.

HELP IS HERE

Troubleshooting

The questions makers ask most, answered before you need to ask.

My pumpkin is tall, not round.
Pull the segment wraps tighter, or add a few more rows.

The ribs are not showing.
Make sure every row after Row 1 is in the back loops only.

The edges curl while I work.
That is normal for back-loop rows. It disappears when the piece is seamed.

There is a hole at the top.
Gather in smaller steps, every row end, and pull firmly before knotting.

The wraps slip.
Take a small stitch through the top centre after each wrap to hold it.

My stitch count changes.
Count each row: the first and last stitches are easy to miss when you turn.

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Project tracker

Keep this page next to your work. Tick off each piece and round.

YARN USED _____ HOOK SIZE _____

STARTED _____ FINISHED _____

MADE FOR _____ FINISHED SIZE _____

Pieces

1	Small pumpkin	Make 1	☐
2	Medium pumpkin	Make 1	☐
3	Large pumpkin	Make 1	☐
4	Stem	Make 3	☐ ☐ ☐
5	Leaf (optional)	Make 3	☐ ☐ ☐

Round counter

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

My notes

Thank you for making with us!

We hope you enjoyed making Ribbed Pumpkins as much as we enjoyed designing it.

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