

COZY PUMPKIN HAT



Nothing makes a fall outfit quite as season-appropriate as a nice pumpkin hat :) Cute and fun but also warm and comfortable, this piece is ready to become a favorite autumn accessory!

Chunky gauge makes Cozy Pumpkin Hat a fast knit and wide ribbing adds just a proper amount of stretch. The pattern is graded to fit a variety of sizes from newborn to adult, and can be worked using yarns of different weights. Make it in another color or add a pompom instead of a stem to create a seasonless piece!

YARN

- Use almost any yarn weight you wish as long as you can get the recommended gauge and are happy with the resulting fabric. Yardage below is a rough estimate
- Suggested:
Heavy Worsted / Aran - in 1 strand, 85 (115, 150, 170) (190, 210, 235, 260)yds / 80 (105, 135, 155) (175, 190, 215, 240)m total
OR Sport - in 2 strands, 165 (225, 300, 335) (375, 420, 465, 515)yds / 150 (205, 275, 306) (345, 385, 425, 470)m total
OR Fingering - in 3 strands, 255 (345, 450, 510) (570, 630, 705, 780)yds / 235 (315, 410, 465) (520, 575, 645, 715)m total
- A little bit of green or brown yarn for the stem and vine
- Sample hat yarn: Schaefer Yarn Company Nicole (80% sw merino, 20% nylon, 5 oz / 142g, 405 yds / 370 m), sport weight held in 2 strands, color Saffron

NEEDLES

- Swatch to determine needle size that helps to fit the gauge; needle size below is a suggestion
- US 8 / 5mm circular needles on a 16" / 40cm cable, OR on a long cable for the magic loop method, OR a set of dpns
- A set of dpns might be handy for working the top of the hat and the stem

NOTIONS

- 1 stitch marker
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Optional: crochet hook in the same size as needles for the curly vine

GAUGE

- 19 sts and 30 rows in 4" / 10cm in 4x1 Rib, blocked

SIZES A (B, C, D) (E, F, G, H)

- Hat circumference 14.5 (16.6, 18.6, 19.7) (20.7, 21.8, 22.8, 23.8)" / 37 (42, 47, 50) (53, 55, 58, 61)cm
- Hat length (can be changed to any desired) 5 (6, 7, 7.5) (8, 8.5, 9, 9.5)" / 13 (15, 18, 19) (20, 22, 23, 24)cm
- Suggested fit: newborn (baby, toddler, child) (teen, adult small, medium, large)
- All bodies are different, so it's best to pick the size based on the head circumference minus 1-2" / 2.5-5cm for a semi-snug fit or minus 2-4" / 5-10cm for a snug fit
- Shown in size B on a 6 months old baby with 1" / 2.5cm of negative ease

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ABBREVIATIONS

BOR	beginning of round
CO	cast on
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2sts together (decreases 1 st)
k3tog	knit 3sts together (decreases 2sts)
p	purl
p2tog	purl 2sts together (decreases 1 st)
R	round
sl1wyib	slip 1 stitch as if to purl with yarn at back of work



CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- Please knit a swatch. The number of stitches per 4" / 10cm is important to guarantee the circumference of the hat, amount of ease and fit, as well as the yardage the project would require.
- The hat is knit from the bottom up seamlessly in the round.
- The hem is worked in 4x1 rib, then the hat is turned inside out and the work continues on the other side in 4x1 rib as well. This makes the hem match the rest of the fabric. The hem can be secured to the body of the hat so that it doesn't unfold.
- Once the desired length is reached, the crown is shaped with several rounds of decreases.
- The stem is attached to the crown seamlessly. It is worked in the round using the magic loop technique or a set of dpns.
- The vine can be either crocheted with a crochet hook (as on the sample hat) or knit in an i-cord manner. Directions for both techniques are provided.

PATTERN

HEM

Cast on 70 (80, 90, 95) (100, 105, 110, 115)sts using Long Tail Cast On. Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist. Place a marker to mark BOR.

R1: (k4, p1) around

Repeat R1 for 7 (7, 9, 9) (11, 11, 13, 13) more times for a total of 8 (8, 10, 10) (12, 12, 14, 14) rows of the hem. If you wish to make the hem narrower or wider, do this now.

BODY OF THE HAT

Turn the hat inside out so that you are facing the wrong side of the work and needles are in the working position. The yarn should be located to the left from the BOR marker. From here on, this side becomes the right side and work resumes in the round again. This makes the hem ribbing align with the rest of the fabric.

R1: sl1wyib, k4, (p1, k4) around

R2: (p1, k4) around

Repeat R2 for 6 (6, 8, 8) (10, 10, 12, 12) more times for a total of 8 (8, 10, 10) (12, 12, 14, 14) rows to match the length of the hem. If you adjusted the length of the hem at the previous step, make sure this section matches it.

SECURING THE HEM

The following step is optional if you'd like to secure the hem so that it doesn't unfold.

Fold the hem over as it will be worn. Align the cast on edge with the stitches on the needles.

Next R: purl the first stitch on the left needle together with the first purl stitch of the folded hem - pick it up onto the left needle to do this easily; k4 on the left needle; (purl the next st on the left needle with the corresponding purl st of the hem, k4 on the left needle) around

BODY

Resume working the body as (p1, k4) around until the hat measures 3.5 (4.5, 5.5, 6) (6.5, 7, 7.5, 8)" / 9 (11, 14, 15) (17, 18, 19, 20)cm. If you wish to adjust the length of the hat, do this now.

CROWN

Start decreases to shape the crown. They are worked once in three rounds. You might want to switch to the dpns for this section. Each decrease round subtracts 14 (16, 18, 19) (20, 21, 22, 23)sts from the total stitch count.

R1: (p1, k1, k2tog, k1) around. 56 (64, 72, 76) (80, 84, 88, 92)sts left

R2-3: (p1, k3) around

R4: (p1, k1, k2tog) around. 42 (48, 54, 57) (60, 63, 66, 69)sts left

R5-6: (p1, k2) around

R7: (k2tog, k1) around. 28 (32, 36, 38) (40, 42, 44, 46)sts left

R8-9: knit around

R10: (k2tog) around. 14 (16, 18, 19) (20, 21, 22, 23)sts left

R11: knit around

Cut orange yarn.

STEM

Attach green or brown yarn.

R1: knit around

Sizes A (B, C, -) (E, -, G, -) only:

R2: k2tog around. 7 (8, 9, -) (10, -, 11, -)sts left

Sizes - (-, -, D) (-, F, -, H) only:

R2: k3tog, then k2tog around. - (-, -, 9) (-, 10, -, 11)sts left

Resume all sizes:

Knit the remaining 7 (8, 9, 9) (10, 10, 11, 11)sts plain in the round until the stem measures 1" / 2.5cm.

For the baby hats, you might wish to make the stem longer and tie it into a cute knot.

Cut the yarn leaving an 8" / 20cm tail. Thread the tail through the tapestry needle and pass the needle through the remaining stitches. Tug the tail to tighten the hole and secure it on the wrong side of work.

VINE

Choose between a knit and a crochet version. The sample shown has a crochet vine 2" / 5cm long.

CROCHET

These directions would give you a vine 2" / 5cm long. If you wish it to be longer, chain more stitches in the beginning and follow the rest as is.

Chain 20. Skip the first 2 chains and work 3 single crochets into each chain until 5 chains are left. Work 1 single crochet into each of these 5 chains. Cut yarn. Secure the vine to the stem using the tails.

KNIT

Using dpns for the i-cord might be more comfortable, but the circular needles would work fine as well.

Cast on 3sts using long tail cast on method. Do not turn the work.

We now have 3sts on the right needle and the yarn is attached to the left-most stitch.

1. Slide the stitches to the other end of the needle. It becomes our left needle now. Pull the working yarn across the back of work.
2. Start knitting the next row from the first (right-most) stitch of the left needle. Knit all 3sts. This action closes the circle and creates an i-cord. Do not turn the work.

Repeat steps 1-2, pulling the yarn snug at the beginning of each row to ensure even stitches.

To create the curl, knit in the following pattern:

R1, 2: knit all

R3, 4, 5: k1, sl1wyib, k1

Repeat R1-5 until the i-cord reaches the desired length.

If you wish the curl to be less pronounced, slip the stitch on two rows instead of three.

Cut yarn leaving a 4" / 10cm tail. Thread the tail through the tapestry needle and pass the needle through the 3sts, tightening to secure. Thread the needle into the empty core of the i-cord to hide the tail.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. Wash and block the hat lightly to make the fabric more even and soft. Enjoy!