

## Easy Crochet Witch Hat — Beginner Pattern (US Terms)

**Skill level:** Beginner

**Works in:** Joined rounds (not spiral)

**Sizes:** Mini décor/ornament size as written; easily adjustable (see “Size Notes”).

### Materials

- **Yarn:** 5-ply *medium thickness* blend, **50% cotton / 50% acrylic** (two colors for stripe effect: Color A = main, Color B = contrast).
- **Hook:** **2.20 mm** (use what matches your yarn & tension).
- **Notions:** Yarn (tapestry) needle, scissors, stitch marker (helpful).

### Abbreviations (US)

- **mr** = magic ring (magic circle)
- **ch** = chain
- **sc** = single crochet
- **inc** = increase (2 sc in the same stitch)
- **sl st** = slip stitch
- **st(s)** = stitch(es)
- **Rnd** = round

**Joining & turning note:** Work in **joined rounds**. At the start of each round, **ch 1** (does **not** count as a stitch) unless stated. At the end of each round, **sl st to the first sc** to join.

**Magic ring alternative:** If you're new to mr, **ch 2, 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook** for Rnd 1.

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### Pattern

#### Cone (Hat Point)

**Rnd 1:** mr, **ch 1, 4 sc** in ring. **Sl st** to first sc to join. (4 sts)

**Rnd 2:** **Sc in each st around.** Join. (4)

**Rnd 3:** **ch 1, [inc, sc] ×2.** Join. (6)

*Tip: Place a marker in your first stitch to help track the round.*

**Rnd 4:** **Sc in each st around.** Join. (6)

**Rnd 5:** **ch 1, [inc, sc]** around (you will work the repeat 3 times over 6 sts). Join. (9)

**Rnd 6:** **Sc in each st around.** Join. (9)

**Rnd 7:** **ch 1, [inc, sc in next 2 sts] ×3.** Join. (12)

**Rnd 8:** **Sc in each st around.** Join. (12)

**Rnd 9:** **ch 1, [inc, sc in next 3 sts] ×3.** Join. (15)

**Rnd 10:** **Sc in each st around.** Join. (15)

**Rnd 11:** **ch 1, [inc, sc in next 4 sts] ×3.** Join. (18)

**Rnd 12:** **ch 1, [inc, sc in next 5 sts] ×3.** Join. (21)

**Rnd 13:** ch 1, [inc, sc in next 6 sts] ×3. Join, changing to Color B on the sl st. (24)

**Color change tip:** On the final yarn-over of the joining **sl st**, pull through **Color B** so the next round begins cleanly in the new color.

**Rnd 14 (Color B):** Sc in each st around. Join. (24)

**Rnd 15 (Color A):** Join Color A on the sl st, ch 1, then [inc, sc in next 3 sts] repeat around. Join. (30)

### Brim

**Rnd 16 (Color A):** ch 1, [inc, sc in next 1 st] repeat around. Join. (45)

*Explanation:* You are increasing **every other stitch** to begin flaring the brim.

**Rnd 17 (Color A):** ch 1, 2 sc in each st around (inc in every stitch). Join. (90)

**Fasten off.** For a neat edge, you can use an **invisible join**: cut yarn, pull tail through last loop, thread needle, skip one stitch, insert needle under both loops of the next stitch, pull through, then back into the center of the last stitch. Weave in ends.

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### Finishing & Styling

- **Block/shape:** Light steam or hand-shape the point; smooth the brim flat.
- **Use ideas:** Ornament, garland piece, table décor, cupcake topper, keychain, bag charm, or craft-fair mini!
- **Stripe play:** Keep Rnd 14 in a bold **Color B** for a classic witch-hat stripe. Add more stripes by swapping colors on any even round.

### Size Notes (easy adjustments)

- **Taller cone:** Before starting the brim (before Rnd 16), keep repeating increase logic like Rnds 11–13 (e.g., next would be [inc, sc in 7] to 27, then a plain round if you like) until the cone height you want.
- **Wider brim:** After Rnd 17, add 1–2 more brim rounds, spacing increases (e.g., [inc, sc in next 2] around → 120 sts) for extra flare.

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### Troubleshooting for Beginners

- **Wavy cone?** Too many increases—pull back to the last even round and check counts.
- **Curling brim?** That's normal with strong increases; add one plain round (no increases) to relax the edge.
- **Visible jog at joins?** Always **ch 1** then start sc; changing color on the **join** makes stripes look clean.