

Crochet Pumpkin Keychain Pattern

(Beginner-Friendly & Quick 15-Minute Project)

Difficulty: ★☆☆ (Beginner)

Time: ~15 minutes

Size: ~2.5 x 2 inches (6 x 5 cm)

Yarn: Cotton or cotton blend (orange, brown, green)

Hook: 2.5–3 mm (US C)

Other: Yarn needle, scissors, fiberfill stuffing, keychain clip

Abbreviations (US Terms)

- **ch** – chain
- **sc** – single crochet
- **sl st** – slip stitch
- **BLO** – back loop only
- **MR** – magic ring

Note: Always crochet in **back loops only** for the body to create pumpkin ridges.

Pumpkin Body

1. Foundation:

Ch 20. (This defines the height of your pumpkin.)

2. Row 1:

Sc in 2nd ch from hook and across. (19 sc)

3. Row 2:

Ch 1, turn. Sc in BLO across. (19)

4. Rows 3–29:

Repeat Row 2.

(You'll have a long rectangle with visible ridges.)

5. Join the Edges:

Fold the rectangle so the short edges meet.

Ch 1, sl st through both layers across to form a tube.

6. Fasten Off:

Leave a long tail (~70 cm / 27 in) for sewing and shaping.

Shaping the Pumpkin

7. Gather the Top:

Using the yarn tail and a yarn needle, weave around the top edge.

Pull tightly to close, and secure.

8. Turn & Stuff:

Turn the piece right side out and lightly fill with fiberfill.

9. **Gather the Bottom:**

Weave around the bottom edge and pull tightly to close. Secure firmly.

⌚ Creating Pumpkin Ridges

10. With the same long tail, insert your needle from the top center to the bottom center and pull snugly.

Repeat 5–6 times around the pumpkin to form even ridges.

Don't pull too tight — just enough to shape nice pumpkin segments.

🌿 Stem and Leaf

With brown yarn:

11. **Round 1:** MR, ch 1, 6 sc in ring. Join with sl st. (6)

12. **Round 2:** Ch 1, 1 sc in each st. Join. (6)

13. **Round 3 (Increase):** Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around. Join. (12)

Change to green yarn:

14. **Leaf Chain:** Ch 24.

15. **Leaf Curl:**

Starting in 2nd ch from hook, make 3 sc in each ch across.

This will create a curly leaf texture.

16. **Attach:**

Sl st to the next st on the stem. Fasten off and weave ends.

Leave the brown yarn tail from the MR — it will be used to attach the stem.

Sl st to the next st on the stem, ch 1, then fasten off and weave ends.

🔗 Assembly

17. Sew or glue the stem to the top of the pumpkin.

18. Use the brown tail to secure a **keychain clip** through the stem.

19. Hide all yarn ends neatly inside.

20. Roll the pumpkin gently in your hands to shape it evenly.

✨ Adjusting the Size

- **Bigger Pumpkin:** Start with 24 ch, work 31 rows.
- **Smaller Pumpkin:** Start with 16 ch, work 25 rows.
- **Leaf Options:** Instead of 3 sc in each ch, try *[sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc]* for a flatter leaf.

📝 Quick Recap

- 1 Ch 20 → 29 rows of BLO sc → join to form a tube.
- 2 Gather top → stuff → gather bottom.
- 3 Create 6 ridges with yarn tail.
- 4 Crochet stem (MR + 6 sc + 12 sc), attach curly leaf (ch 24, 3 sc in each).
- 5 Sew stem on top and attach keychain ring.

 **Perfect For:**

- Fall craft fairs & handmade markets
- Quick DIY gifts
- Seasonal decorations
- Keychains, bag charms, or ornaments
