Witch hat

Woman, head 22 in (56 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 21½ in (55 cm) round and about 12¾ in (32 cm) deep, measured along the cloth from the tip to where the brim begins, with a brim about 3½ in (9 cm) wide; the edge of the brim is about 43¾ in (111 cm) round

To fit a head of 22 in (56 cm)

Skill

Easy

A spiral with increases, one piece sewn on

Yarn

Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook

5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: black, the hat	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: grape, the band	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: gold, the buckle	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 140 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: a soft tape measure, a stitch marker, a yarn needle, scissors, pins and (for a stiff brim only) wire cutters and 48 in (122 cm) of millinery wire or of plastic-coated craft wire.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Toddler	18 in (46 cm)	17¾ in (45 cm) round, 11¼ in (29 cm) deep	about 205 yd (187 m)
Child	19½ in (50 cm)	19 in (48 cm) round, 11¾ in (30 cm) deep	about 230 yd (210 m)
Teen	21 in (53 cm)	21 in (53 cm) round, 12½ in (32 cm) deep	about 250 yd (229 m)
Woman (this file)	**22 in (56 cm)**	**21½ in (55 cm) round, 12¾ in (32 cm) deep**	**about 285 yd (261 m)**

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Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 45, put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 21½ in (55 cm) round.

The gauge is measured on the hat itself, at the two places the rounds name: along the point, from its tip to the edge of a round, which checks the height of the rounds, and round the outside of the hat with a soft tape, along the round just worked, which checks the stitches and so the size round. If the hat measures more round than its round says, begin again with a smaller hook; if less, with a larger one. If it is right round and the point is longer than its round says, your rounds are taller than the gauge and the hat will come out deeper than stated; if the point is shorter, it will come out shallower.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 37.

Instructions

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sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **FLO** only the loop nearest you, **st** stitch.
2 sc in next st: **both in one stitch**. Sc in next 6 sts: one in each.
Rounds run in a **spiral**: mark the first stitch and move the marker up each round. **Working in the round**
[ ] 3 times: 3 times in all. (9 sc): the round now has 9; a check, not a step. Not 9? **Pull it back**.
Also: RS right side.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Hat

Begin with yarn A, black.

☐ **Start**	Make a magic ring. *The hat begins with a magic ring: wrap the yarn once round two fingers, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and with the hook draw a loop of the working yarn up through the ring. Keep that loop on the hook and make the chain that round 1 begins with; where round 1 names no chain, make 1 chain to hold the loop, and do not count it. Work the stitches of round 1 into the ring, over the tail too, then pull the tail until the ring is closed.*	

Point

☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	Sc in each st around	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	**[**Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(9 sc)
☐ **Rounds 4 to 5** 4 5	Sc in each st around	(9 sc)
☐ **Round 6**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 7**	Sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 8**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(15 sc)
☐ **Round 9**	Sc in each st around	(15 sc)
☐ **Round 10**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 11**	Sc in each st around	(18 sc)
☐ **Round 12**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(21 sc)

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☐ **Round 13**	Sc in each st around	(21 sc)
☐ **Round 14**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Round 15**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(27 sc)
☐ **Round 16**	Sc in each st around	(27 sc)
☐ **Round 17**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 18**	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)
☐ **Round 19**	**[**Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(33 sc)
☐ **Round 20**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 21**	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Round 22**	**[**Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(39 sc)
☐ **Round 23**	**[**Sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 24**	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Round 25**	**[**Sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(45 sc)
☐ **Round 26**	**[**Sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(48 sc)
☐ **Round 27**	Sc in each st around	(48 sc)
☐ **Round 28**	**[**Sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(51 sc)
☐ **Round 29**	**[**Sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Round 30**	**[**Sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(57 sc)
☐ **Round 31**	Sc in each st around	(57 sc)
☐ **Round 32**	**[**Sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(60 sc)
☐ **Round 33**	**[**Sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(63 sc)
☐ **Round 34**	**[**Sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(66 sc)
☐ **Round 35**	Sc in each st around	(66 sc)
☐ **Round 36**	**[**Sc in next 21 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(69 sc)
☐ **Round 37**	Sc in next 68 sts, 2 sc in next st	(70 sc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 37.** The point, laid flat, should measure about 10½ in (27 cm) from its tip straight to the edge of that round. Larger? Begin again with a smaller hook. Smaller? A larger hook.

Band

☐ **Round 38**	With B, sc in each st around	(70 sc)
☐ **Rounds 39 to 45**	Sc in each st around	(70 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

39 | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | **45**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 45.** Put a soft tape round the outside of the hat along that round, without pulling it in: the hat should measure about 21½ in (55 cm) round.

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Brim

☐ **Round 46**	With A, **[**sc in FLO of next 11 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 4 times**, **[**sc in FLO of next 10 sts, 2 sc in FLO of next st**] 2 times**	(76 sc)
☐ **Round 47**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 2 times**	(82 sc)
☐ **Round 48**	**[**Sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(88 sc)
☐ **Round 49**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(94 sc)
☐ **Round 50**	**[**Sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(100 sc)
☐ **Round 51**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	(106 sc)
☐ **Round 52**	**[**Sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(112 sc)
☐ **Round 53**	**[**Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 2 times**	(118 sc)
☐ **Round 54**	**[**Sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(124 sc)
☐ **Round 55**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts**] 2 times**	(130 sc)
☐ **Round 56**	**[**Sc in next 21 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(136 sc)

For a brim that stands out stiffly, round 57 can be worked over a wire; for a soft brim work it without the wire and pass over the rest of this note. Cut 48 in (122 cm) of wire and bend the last ½ in (1.5 cm) of one end back on itself to a small loop. Leave the first 3 stitches of the round without the wire; then hold the wire along the tops of round 56, the loop first, and work every single crochet into its stitch and over the wire. Before the last 3 stitches bend the other end back to a small loop too, cut off what is over, and work those stitches without the wire. Pull the edge out so that it is neither tight nor wavy on the wire.

☐ **Round 57**	**[**Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 4 times**, **[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 2 times**	(142 sc)
☐	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Buckle

Yarn C, gold.

The rounds of the buckle are joined: the chain at the start of a round does not count as a stitch, the first stitch of round 1 goes into the chain that was joined, and the first stitch of round 2 goes into the same place as the slip stitch before it. The three stitches in one stitch are the corners: lay the piece flat and pull each corner to a point, so that it is a square, about 2 in (5 cm) on each side, with a square opening.

☐ **Start**	Ch 20, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) before the first chain; see that the chain is not twisted; sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around, sl st in first sc to join	(20 sc)

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☐ **Round 2**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 3 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(28 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 38 in (97 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Pull the ring at the start of the hat closed once more and weave its tail through the stitches of round 1 on the inside.

2. The middle of the front is opposite the place where the last round of the hat begins; fold the hat in half there to find it. Left and right are meant as you see them with the front toward you.

3. The crooked tip is made with two gathers on the inside. Cut two strands of yarn A, each 20 in (51 cm) long. Lower gather: thread the first strand and fasten it on the inside of the left side of the point at round 27. Run small stitches straight up the left side, one through each round, to round 18. Draw the strand in until these rounds take up about half of their height and the point above them leans to the left; fasten it. Upper gather: fasten the second strand on the inside of the right side of the point at round 15, run small stitches straight up the right side to round 6 in the same way, and draw it in as far as it goes, so that these rounds lie close together in folds and the tip bends over to the right; fasten it.

4. Buckle: weave its beginning tail in on the back. Put its middle on the line between round 41 and round 42, which is the middle of the band, at the middle of the front, with two of its sides running straight up and down. The band is about 2¼ in (6 cm) high, so the buckle lies on the band alone and does not reach the brim; the band shows through the opening. Pin it. Sew it down flat with its long tail, with small stitches taken over the edge, the needle going down into the band close beside the edge and coming up through the buckle: one stitch for each of the 28 stitches of its outer edge, then, with the yarn led to the opening on the inside of the hat, one stitch for each of the 20 chains of the opening. Fasten off on the inside.

Finishing

- Weave in every end on the inside of the hat.

In all: 2 pieces; 3,207 stitches (3,159 in the hat, 48 in the buckle).

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Notes

- Measure the head if you can: put a soft tape round its widest part, across the middle of the forehead and just above the ears, and choose the size whose head measurement is nearest. This hat is not meant to grip the head: each size is as large round as the head it is for, or smaller by no more than about ½ in (1.5 cm), as nearly as whole stitches allow (in the rounded centimeters that can show as 2 cm). The table of sizes gives both measures of each.
- The right side of the hat faces you in every round; the rounds are never turned.
- The rounds of the hat are worked in a spiral: do not join; put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.
- To change yarn at the start of a round, finish the last stitch of the round before with the new yarn. Where a yarn rests for 4 rounds or fewer before it is used again, carry it up the inside; where it rests for more, or is not used again, cut it, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Front loop only: of the two loops at the top of a stitch work under the one that lies nearer to you as you work.
- The number at the end of each line is the number of stitches it has when it is finished; chains and slip stitches that are not named there are not counted.
- The brim takes 6 more stitches in every round, so that it lies flat. In every second round they stand about halfway between those of the round before, so that the edge comes out round.
- Yarn A is cut after the point and joined again for the brim. The first round of the brim goes into the front loops of the last round of the band, so that the brim begins with a sharp bend; the back loops stay on the inside.

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