



AN ORIGINAL CROCHET PATTERN

Harvest Rib Pumpkin

cozy texture, timeless autumn style

CONFIDENT BEGINNER

US TERMS

3 SIZES



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Meet the Harvest Rib Pumpkin

A plush autumn pumpkin built from one simple ribbed rectangle - no working in continuous rounds and no complicated shaping. The back-loop texture creates natural vertical grooves, while the curved stem, leaf and optional vine give the finished piece a polished handmade character.

SKILL

Confident beginner

TIME

About 2.5-4 hours

TERMS

US crochet terms

METHOD

Worked flat, then seamed

Construction at a glance

- 1 Crochet a ribbed rectangle.
- 2 Join the first and last rows.
- 3 Cinch the base and add stuffing.
- 4 Close the top, then add details.



Use the same method for all three sizes.

Finished size guide

SIZE	PANEL HEIGHT	PANEL WIDTH	FINISHED
Small	17 sts	30 rows	approx. 11 x 8 cm
Medium	24 sts	42 rows	approx. 16 x 12 cm
Large	31 sts	54 rows	approx. 22 x 16 cm

Measurements are approximate. Yarn, tension and stuffing density will change the final size.

Materials & yarn choices



For the medium pumpkin

- 100-120 m of #4 medium-weight yarn in pumpkin color
- 10-15 m brown yarn for the stem
- 15-20 m sage yarn for leaf and vine
- 4.0 mm crochet hook
- 100-150 g polyester fiberfill
- Tapestry needle with a large eye
- Scissors and one locking stitch marker
- Flexible measuring tape

GAUGE

**14 hdc BLO x 11 rows = 10 x 10 cm
after the fabric rests.**

Exact gauge is not essential, but a firm fabric keeps the stuffing from showing. If gaps appear, use a smaller hook.

YARN TIP

Choose a smooth plied yarn with good stitch definition. Cotton makes a crisp pumpkin; acrylic or wool creates a softer, fuller shape.

Color idea: burnt orange body + walnut stem + sage leaf, or use cream and dusty rose for a softer home-decor palette.

Stitches, gauge & notes

Abbreviations

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch
sc	single crochet
hdc	half double crochet
dc	double crochet
tr	treble crochet
BLO	back loop only
st(s)	stitch(es)
rep	repeat

Pattern notes

- 1 The main piece is worked flat in rows.
- 2 Ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- 3 Work every body row through the back loop only.
- 4 Count stitches often; straight side edges make a clean seam.
- 5 The pattern uses standard US terminology.

Insert hook under the back loop only



How to read the body instruction

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Hdc BLO in each st across. (24)

Make one turning chain, rotate the work, then place one half double crochet under the back loop of every stitch. The number in parentheses is the stitch count at the end of the row.

MEASURE, DO NOT GUESS

For the most reliable size, stop when the rectangle reaches the target width in the sizing table. Row targets are helpful checkpoints, but the centimeter measurement is the final guide.

Part 1: Crochet the ribbed body



Body panel

Foundation: With pumpkin-color yarn, ch 25.

Row 1: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. (24)

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Hdc BLO in each st across. (24)

Rows 3-42: Repeat Row 2, or continue until the panel measures 38 cm across without stretching.

Before fastening off

- 1 Panel measures about 17 cm high x 38 cm wide.
- 2 Every row still has 24 stitches.
- 3 Ridges run across the width of the flat panel.
- 4 Leave a tail at least 60 cm long for seaming and closing.

Tip: A slightly shorter panel makes a rounder pumpkin; a longer panel makes a wider, flatter pumpkin.

Part 2: Seam & close the base



Join the rectangle

- 1 Fold the panel so the first and last rows meet. Keep the ridges vertical.
- 2 Thread the long tail. Whipstitch through both row edges, matching each ridge.
- 3 Pull the seam snug, but do not pucker the fabric. Secure with two small knots.

SEAM CHECK

Turn the tube right side out. The join should visually disappear between two ribs. If one edge sits higher, undo a few stitches and realign the row ends.

Close the bottom opening

With the same tail, weave in and out through the end of every second row around one opening.

1

Pull gradually, distributing the gathers evenly. Pass through the center once more and knot securely.

2

Do not cut the tail yet. Weave it through the inside wall so the knot cannot loosen.

3

IMPORTANT

The process photo shows the base being cinched. Keep the top opening fully open for stuffing. A small center gap is fine; it will be hidden by the final shaping.

Part 3: Stuff, close & shape

Stuff for a smooth silhouette

1

Add fiberfill in small pieces, pushing it first around the outer wall and then into the center.

2

Keep the pumpkin full but still compressible. Overstuffing opens the stitches and flattens the ribs.

3

Check the base from every angle. Add small pinches of fill wherever the surface dips.

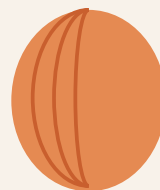
Close the top

Cut a 70 cm length of pumpkin yarn. Weave it through every second row end around the open edge. Pull halfway, adjust the stuffing, then draw the opening fully closed. Pass the needle through the center twice and knot.

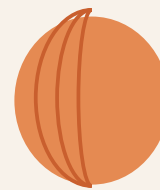
Create the classic dip

Thread a long matching strand from the bottom center to the top center. Return the needle through the center and pull gently until both ends sink inward. Knot at the bottom and hide the tails inside.

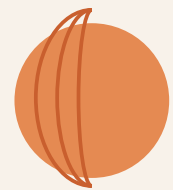
Optional: For a more sculpted look, make 4 loose wraps around the outside, placing each wrap in an existing groove. Keep tension equal.



Fill



Cinch



Shape

Shape control: If the pumpkin looks tall, press gently from top to bottom. If it looks flat, redistribute filling toward the center before tightening the dip.

Part 4: Stem, leaf & vine

STEM

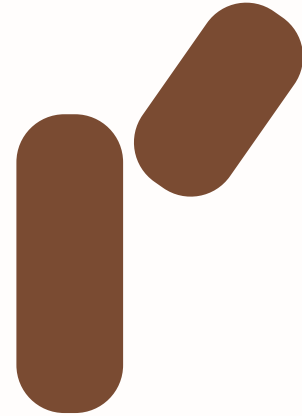
Brown yarn - worked flat

Foundation: Ch 13.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. (12)

Rows 2-4: Ch 1, turn. Sc BLO in each st across. (12)

Finish: Fasten off with a 30 cm tail. Roll the strip lengthwise and stitch the long edges together. Curve the upper third before securing the yarn.



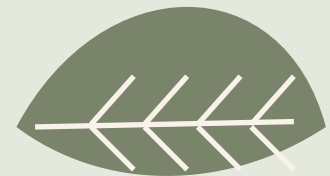
A rolled rectangle makes a sturdy, bendable stem.

LEAF

Ch 10. Work around both sides of the foundation chain.

Side 1: Sl st in 2nd ch, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 ch, tr in next 2 ch, dc in next ch, 5 dc in last ch.

Side 2: Working along the opposite side: dc in next ch, tr in next 2 ch, dc in next 2 ch, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, sl st in final ch. Join and leave a 25 cm tail.



Steam lightly and shape while warm if the leaf curls too much.

OPTIONAL VINE

Ch 28. Place 3 sc in the 2nd ch from hook and 3 sc in every chain to the end. The fabric will curl by itself. Fasten off with a 20 cm tail.



Make a shorter vine with ch 18 for the small pumpkin.

Part 5: Assemble & style



Attach the details

1

Insert the stem into the top dip by 1-2 cm. Stitch all around the base twice, catching the pumpkin fabric between ribs.

2

Place the leaf beside the stem. Sew along the center vein only so the edges remain dimensional.

3

Tuck one end of the vine under the leaf and secure it with 3-4 small stitches.

4

Hide every yarn tail inside the pumpkin. Roll it gently between your hands to settle the filling.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Visible gaps: remove some fill or use a smaller hook.

Leaning shape: redistribute filling and retighten the center dip.

Loose stem: add a second ring of stitches around its base.

CARE

Spot clean with cool water and mild soap. Press in a towel, reshape and air dry. Do not machine dry. Store uncompressed so the fiberfill keeps its loft.



Your pumpkin is ready

made slowly, shaped by hand, designed to be loved

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