



## Spooky Cat Pumpkin

*This scary cat is a scream! Crochet these appliqués and simply attach to your pumpkin. It's a great alternative to using a knife to cut out the shapes.*

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**RED HEART® "Super Saver®":** 1 skein each 312 Black **A** and 316 Soft White **B**.

**Crochet Hooks:** 3.75mm [US F-5] and 3.5mm [US E-4].

Stitch markers.

Yarn needle.

Self-stick hook-and-loop fasteners, double sided tape or glue dots for attaching to pumpkin.

**GAUGE:** With larger hook, 8 sts and 9 rows sc = 2"; Cat's eye = 2¾" in diameter. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge given.**

### Special Stitches

**sc2tog:** [Insert hook in next st, yo, draw yarn through st] twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

**NOTE:** Use these appliqués on a whole pumpkin. Yarn appliqués are not for use near candle flames or lit bulbs.

**Work in back bumps of chains:** Turn foundation ch over to the wrong side, insert hook in the bump formed at the back of the ch and proceed with the st as usual.

### APPLIQUÉS

#### Eyes (make 2)

With larger hook and **B**, make an adjustable loop.

**Round 1:** Work 6 sc in loop; join with a slip st in first sc – 6 sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first 5 st, 3 sc in last st; join with a slip st in first sc – 13 sc.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, starting in first st, [sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times, sc in last st; join with a slip st in first sc – 19 sc.

**Round 4:** Ch 1, starting in first st, [sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times, sc in last st; join with a slip st in first sc – 25 sc. Fasten off **B**, join **A**.

**Round 5:** With **A**, ch 1, [sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times, sc in last st; join with a slip st in first sc – 25 sc.

#### Pupil (make 2)

With larger hook and **B**, make an adjustable loop.

**Round 1:** Work 6 sc in loop; join with a slip st in first sc – 6 sc. Fasten off, leaving a sewing length.

With yarn needle and sewing length, whipstitch pupils to Eyes as pictured. Weave in ends.

#### Nose

Starting with the crocheted line that connects the nose to the mouth, leaving a sewing length, with larger hook and **A**, leaving a sewing length, ch 4.

**Row 1:** Working in the back bumps, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn to work across row-end st – 3 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, work 3 sc in row-end st, turn – 3 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next st, 2 sc in last st, turn – 5 sc.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, starting in first st, [2 sc in st, sc in next st] twice, 2 sc in last st, turn – 8 sc.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in last st – 10 sc. Fasten off.



### Mouth

Starting at bottom edge, with larger hook and **A**, ch 12.

**Row 1:** Working in the back bumps, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn – 11 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, skip first st, sc in next 8 sts, skip next & slip st in last st, turn – 9 sts.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, skip first st, sc in next 8 sts, skip next & slip st in last st, turn – 7 sts.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, skip first st, sc in next 8 sts, skip next & slip st in last st, turn – 5 sts.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, skip first st, sc in next 8 sts, skip next & slip st in last st, turn – 3 sts.

**Edging:** Ch 1, sc evenly around, working 3 sc across side edge, 2 sc in next corner, sc in each st across bottom edge, 2 sc in corner st, work 3 sc evenly spaced across side edge, 2 sc in corner st, sc in each st across top edge; join with a slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

With yarn needle and sewing length, whipstitch Nose to center top of Mouth as pictured.

### Teeth

With yarn needle and **B**, make pointed teeth by inserting needle close to the outside edge of the mouth as pictured, insert needle back into mouth piece about  $\frac{3}{8}$ " in from edge. Work another straight st at an angle to the first to form triangular shape. Work another straight st in the middle to fill in tooth.

### Ear (make 2)

Starting at bottom, with larger hook and **A**, ch 10.

**Row 1:** Working in the back bumps, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn – 9 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Work now progresses in rounds.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in each st across, rotate, sc in each row-end sts across side edge, rotate, working along opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each ch across side edge; join with a slip st in first sc – 22 sc.

**Round 4:** Work in a spiral now and throughout remainder of Ear, sc in each st around – 22 sc. Mark first st of round and move marker up as work progresses.

**Round 5:** [Sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 20 sts.

**Round 6:** [Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 18 sts.

**Round 7:** [Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 16 sts.

**Round 8:** Sc in each st around – 16 sc.

**Round 9:** [Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 14 sts.

**Round 10:** [Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 12 sts.

**Round 11:** [Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 10 sts.

**Round 12:** [Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts] twice – 8 sts.

**Round 13:** [Sc2tog over next 2 sts] around – 4 sts. Fasten off, leaving a sewing length. With yarn needle, weave sewing length through sts in last round, gather tightly and secure. Weave in ends.

### Whiskers (make 6)

With larger hook and **A**, ch 13.

**Row 1:** Working in the back bumps, sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn – 12 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st across. Fasten off.

### FINISHING

Weave in ends. Attach self-stick hook-and-loop fastener (or other adhesive) to back of motifs. Arrange and stick to pumpkin.



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**ABBREVIATIONS:** **A, B** = Color A, B; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.