

**Primitive Witch hat** (*infant, baby, child, and adult size*)

(With star applique pattern)

*Wizard Hat: try using a navy blue yarn instead of black yarn and add silver or gold stars.*



*>>Idea: Use the Infant size witch hat or even the Adult size and use as Halloween decorations rather than hats you wear. <<*

*Babies and children's head measurements can vary widely: my age range of fit is purely an estimate.*

*The finished Infant size is intended to fit a 3-6 month with approximately a 16" head circumference.*

*Baby size can fit 12-18 months approximately: 18" head circumference*

*The Child size can fit toddler to child approximately: 19" circumference.*

*The adult can fit larger child to average adult head size: about a 21"-22" circumference.*

*GAUGE: 7 st & 7 rnds per 2 inch*

*Materials needed: Black medium weight yarn*

*Size I/5.5 mm crochet hook (or hook size you prefer)*

*Stitch marker*

*Yarn needle (to weave in ends)*

*Stitches & abbreviations you need to know: st=stitch, rnd=round, CH=chain, sc=single crochet, inc st=increase stitch, dec=decrease stitch*

*This pattern is worked in the round, spiral: don't join at end of rounds.*

*Finished size: You will get a witch hat measuring about 12" tall, 15" circumference of opening (infant size). Star is about 2.5" to 3" size.*

*Difficulty: Easy*

*Explanation of parenthesis stitch count: The first parenthesis st count after the round is the Infant, 2<sup>nd</sup> is baby size, 3<sup>rd</sup> for child size, 4<sup>th</sup> is for Adult size).*

**Ch. 60, join ends. (Baby: ch 64), (child: ch 68), (adult size ch. 76)**

- sc in each st around: 60 sc, 64 sc, 68 sc, 76 sc. (12x), (14x), (14x), (16x)
- \*sc in next 2 st, dec st. Follow \* around. 45 st, (48 st), (51st), (57st),
- sc in each st around. (4x), (4x), (6x), (8x)
- \*sc in next 2 st, dec st. Follow \* around. 34 st, (36 st),(39 st),(43st), \*infant & adult: sc in last st, child: sc in last 3 st
- sc in each st around. (10x), (12x), (12x), (14 x)
- \*sc in next st, dec st. Follow \* around. (23 st), (24 st), (26st), (27st)
- sc in each st around (4x), (4x), (6x), (8x)
- \*sc in next st, dec st. Follow \* around. (16st, sc last st), (16 st), (18 st), (18 st)
- sc in each st around. (4x), (4x), (6x), (8x)
- \*sc in next st, dec st. Follow \* around. (11st), (11st), (12st), (12st)
- sc in each st around. (4x), (4x), (6x),(8x)
- \*sc in next st, dec st. Follow \* around. (8st: sc last 2 st for infant and baby), (8 st for Child and Adult).
- dec around in remaining stitches to close up top. (about 3 dec st for infant and baby, 4 dec st for child and adult).

Leave about a 6" tail, then use yarn needle to weave in tail in the top to close up any area not closed. Cut off extra thread/yarn.

### **Brim of hat:**

With the point of the hat facing you, attach the thread/yarn to the bottom.

1. Sc in each st around: 60 sc (64 sc baby, 68 sc child, 76 sc adult)
2. \*Sc in next st, inc st. Follow \* around.
3. \*sc in next 5 st, inc st. Follow \* around. (child and adult sizes: sc last 2 st) 4. Sc in each st around.
5. \*sc in next 5 st, dec st. Follow \* around. Yes, dec st. It simply keeps the hat brim from being too rippled. (child and adult sizes: sc last 2 st)
6. Sc in each st around. (2x around for infant and baby, 3x around or more for child and adult)

Leave about a 6" tail. Weave into hat. Cut off extra.

### **You will need to block the brim of the hat to flatten out the rolling that occurs:**

I use an iron (make sure your yarn is compatible with heat) to flatten it out. Then I place pins around the brim to hold it flat (pinning into the ironing board or use a piece of Styrofoam to pin into). Let it sit for about a day. Or spray the brim with water, then pin it down and let it dry overnight.





### **Star Applique: (optional)**

Make as many as you want to applique onto the hat.

*Tip: use a contrasting yarn color or use a finer type of crochet thread to create the stars. I like to use a metallic crochet thread, double it up or use as a single strand thread to make smaller size stars. Try gold or silver crochet thread to really create an impact.*

Chain 4, and connect ends to make a loop.

1. 8 sc in the loop. Mark end of round and of each round of pattern.
2. inc st in each sc around, sc in the last st of the round. 15 sc.
3. \*(sc, dc, sc), sc next 2 st. Follow \* around. 25 st.
4. sc, \*(sc, dc, tr, dc, sc), sc next 4 st. Follow \* around. Sc in last 3 st. 45 st.

5. sc next 3 st, \*(sc, dc, sc), sc next 3 st, *skip next st*, sc next 4 st.  
Repeat \* around. Sc next 3 st., *skip a st*, sc in last st. 50 st. Remove marker, slip stitch next st. End. Weave in a few inches of tail. Snip off extra thread/yarn.

*Use your yarn/embroidery needle and some thread; either a fine crochet thread or your yarn. It's up to you. Sew your stars onto the hat wherever you would like them.*

To stiffen brim: try cutting a matching piece of felt to sew onto the underside of the brim.

To stiffen point area: turn hat inside out and sew a matching color felt piece to the inside portion of the pointed area, down half way toward brim. Make sure to keep the portion that needs to stretch to fit your head free from felt.

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