CROCHET SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®:
1 skein each 312 Black **A**, 706 Perfect Pink **B**, 3620 Glowworm **C**, and 400 Grey Heather **D**

Note: Only small quantities of **B**, **C**, and **D** are needed for this project.

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
5.5mm [US I-9]

Yarn needle, stitch marker

GAUGE: 8 sts = 2½" (6.5 cm); 8 rows = 2" (5 cm). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

4 MEDIUM **RED HEART® Super Saver®**, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yds (333 m); stripes, prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yds (215 m); flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

Witchy Cat Hat

This clever hat will be the perfect way to top off a great witch's costume this Halloween! Cat eyes and nose are appliqued on and embellished with eash embroidery. Crochet it in any of four sizes, so you can fit even baby witches.

Directions are for size Small. Changes for sizes Medium, Large, and Extra Large are in parentheses.

Hat to fit 16" (18", 20", 22") [40.5 (45.5, 51, 56) cm] head.

Special Stitches
sc2tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.
sc3tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] 3 times, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

Special Technique
Join with sc = Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

HAT
With **A**, ch 2.
Row 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn—6 sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Row 3: Repeat Row 2.
Row 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc across, turn—12 sc.
Rows 5-7: Repeat Row 2.
Row 8: Ch 1, sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn—18 sc.
Rows 9-11: Repeat Row 2.
Row 12: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 2 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; repeat from * across, turn—24 sc.
Rows 13-15: Repeat Row 2.

Row 16: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn—30 sc.
Rows 17–19: Repeat Row 2.
Row 20: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 4 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc; repeat from * across, turn—36 sc.
Rows 21–23: Repeat Row 2.
Row 24: Ch 1, sc in first 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn—42 sc.
Rows 25–27: Repeat Row 2.
Row 28: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 6 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc; repeat from * across, turn—48 sc.
Rows 29–31: Repeat Row 2.

Sizes Medium, Large, and Extra-Large only:
Row 32: Ch 1, sc in first 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn—54 sc.
Rows 33–35: Repeat Row 2.
Row 36: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 8 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 8 sc; repeat from * across, turn—60 sc.
Rows 37–39: Repeat Row 2.

Sizes Large and Extra-Large only:
Row 40: Ch 1, sc in first 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn—66 sc.
Rows 41–43: Ch 1, sc in each sc around.
Row 44: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 10 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 10 sc; repeat from * across, turn—72 sc.
Rows 45–47: Repeat Row 2.

Sizes Small, Medium and Large only:
Row(s) 32 (40 and 41, 48 and 49): Repeat Row 2.

Size Extra-Large only:
Row 48: Ch 1, sc in first 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * across, turn—78 sc.
Rows 49–51: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Brim
Row 33 (42, 50, 52): Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), working in back loops only, dc in first sc, 2 dc in each remaining sc across, turn—96 (120, 144, 156) dc.
Rows 34 and 35 (43 and 44, 51 and 52, 53 and 54): Ch 3, dc in each dc across, turn.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Ear (make 2)
Front
With **B**, ch 6 (6, 7, 7).
Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining sc, turn—5 (5, 6, 6) sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog, turn—3 (3, 4, 4) sc.
Rows 4 and 5 (4 and 5, 4–6, 4–6): Repeat Row 2.

Sizes Small and Medium:
Row 6: Ch 1, sc3tog, turn—1 sc.

Sizes Large and Extra-Large only:
Row 7: Ch 1, [sc2tog] twice, turn—2 sc.
Row 8: Ch 1, sc2tog, turn—1 sc.

All sizes:
Round 7 (7, 9, 9): Ch 1, 3 sc in sc; *work 5 (5, 7, 7) sc evenly sp across ends of rows*; working in opposite side of foundation ch, 3 sc in first ch, sc in each ch across to last ch, 3 sc in last ch; repeat from * to *; join with slip st in first sc—13 (13, 18, 18) sc and three 3-sc groups.
Fasten off.
Row 8 (8, 10, 10): With right side of bottom edge facing, join **A** with sc in center st of last 3-sc group, *sc in each sc across side edge to next 3-sc group*, sc in first st of next 3-sc group, 3 sc in center st of same group; repeat from * to *, sc in first 2 sts of next 3-sc group; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—16 (16, 20, 20) sc and one 3-sc group.
Row 9 (9, 11, 11): Ch 1, sc in each st across to center st of 3-sc group, 3 sc in center st, sc in each remaining st. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Back
With **A**, repeat front.

Nose
With **B**, ch 2.
Round 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Eye (make 2)
With **C**, ch 2.
Round 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc. Do not join. Place marker for beginning of round and move marker up as each round is completed.
Sizes Small and Medium only:
Round 2: Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—9 sc.
Round 3: *(2 hdc, ch 1, 2 hdc) in next sc*, sc in next 4 sc; repeat from * to * once; join with slip st in first hdc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Satin Stitch

Sizes Large and Extra-Large only:
Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.
Round 3: *(Hdc, dc, ch 2, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, dc, hdc) in next sc, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from * once; join with slip st in first hdc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

FINISHING
Refer to photograph as guide for placement of pieces.
With end tail, seam back of hat in ends of rows.
Ears With wrong sides held together, sew front and back together around outer edges. Sew bottom edge in place securely through all layers. Sew 2-3 sts at midpoint back of ear to hat to prevent ear from falling forward.
Eyes With **A**, embroider satin stitch pupil in center of each eye. Pin eyes to hat and sew in place. With **A**, embroider chain stitches around each eye to enhance. **Nose** Center nose under eyes and sew in place. With **D**, embroider whiskers with long stitches on each side of nose.
Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color **A**, Color **B**, Color **C**, etc.; **ch** = chain(s); **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **( )** = work directions in parentheses into same st; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; ***** = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.