

CROCHET CAT FACE APPLIQUE

♥ Step-by-Step Tutorial ♥



This sweet cat applique is perfect for blankets, pillows, bags and more!
Follow this detailed tutorial to crochet every part and assemble your adorable cat.



FINISHED SIZE

Approx. 7.5 inches (19 cm)
in diameter.

MATERIALS

- Worsted Weight Yarn
 - Gray
 - White
 - Pink (light & dark)
 - Purple (light & dark)
 - Green
 - Black
 - Tan/Beige
- 4.0 mm (G) Crochet Hook
- Yarn Needle
- Scissors
- Stitch Markers (optional)
- Stuffing (optional, for a puffy look)

PARTS OVERVIEW



FACE (Make 1)
Gray



MUZZLE (Make 1)
White



INNER EARS (Make 2)
Pink



EARS (Make 2)
Gray



FLOWERS (Make 5)
Pink & Purple



LEAVES (Make 6)
Green



BORDER (Make 1)
Purple

1. CROCHET THE FACE (Gray)

- Rnd 1: MR, 6 sc (6)
Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st (12)
- Rnd 3: (sc, 2 sc in next st) rep around (18)
- Rnd 4: (2 sc, 2 sc in next st) rep around (24)
- Rnd 5: (3 sc, 2 sc in next st) rep around (30)
- Rnd 6: (4 sc, 2 sc in next st) rep around (36)
- Rnd 7-13: sc in each st (36) Fasten off.

Tip: Use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch of each round.

2. MUZZLE & FACE DETAILS

A. MUZZLE (White)

Ch 7
Row 1: sc in 2nd ch from hook, 4 sc, 3 sc in last ch (on the other side), 5 sc (12)
Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

B. NOSE (Pink)

Make a small triangle shape:
Row 1: ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc, 3 sc in last ch, sc on the other side, sl st. Fasten off.

C. WHISKERS (Black Yarn)

Embroidery: Sew 3 straight lines on each side of the muzzle.

D. EYES (With Black, Tan, White)

- With black yarn, make 2 circles (MR, 6 sc) for pupils.
- With tan yarn, add a round around the black (12 sc).
- Add a small white stitch for the shine (French knot or single stitch).



3. EARS

A. INNER EAR (Pink) (Make 2)

Rnd 1: MR, 6 sc (6)
Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st (12)
Rnd 3: (sc, 2 sc in next st) rep around (18)
Fasten off.

B. OUTER EAR (Gray) (Make 2)

Rnd 1: MR, 6 sc (6)
Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st (12)
Rnd 3: (sc, 2 sc in next st) rep around (18)
Rnd 4: sc around
Fasten off.
Place pink inner ear inside and sew together.



4. FLOWERS (Make 5)

Make petals with 5-double crochet petals.

Flower (Small)

- MR, ch 2 (counts as dc), 4 dc, sl st in top of beginning ch.
- Pull tight to close.
- Add a French knot or small circle in the center with a contrasting color.

Flower (Medium)

Same as above, but you can make 6 petals.



7. ASSEMBLY

- Sew ears to the top of the face.
- Arrange and sew flowers and leaves across the forehead.
- Add the purple scalloped border around the entire face.
- Weave in all ends. Your cat applique is ready!

F. ASSEMBLE FACE

Embroidery: Sew 2 short Sew muzzle below the nose. Sew nose on top center of muzzle. Sew eyes above muzzle. Embroider whiskers and eyelashes.

CROCHET STITCH GUIDE (US TERMS)

1 MR

Magic Ring
Create an adjustable loop to start in the round.



C Ch

Chain Stitch
Yarn over, pull through the loop on the hook.



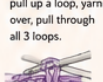
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Single Crochet
Insert hook, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through both loops.



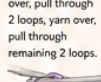
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Half Double Crochet
Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through all 3 loops.



4 Dc

Double Crochet
Yarn over, insert hook, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops, yarn over, pull through remaining 2 loops.



5 Sl St

Slip Stitch
Insert hook, pull up a loop, pull through both loops.



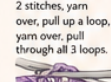
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Increase
(2 sc in next st)
Work 2 single crochets in the same stitch.



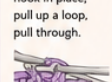
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Decrease
(sc2tog)
Insert hook in next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through all 3 loops.



French Knot

Wrap yarn around the hook, insert hook in place, pull up a loop, pull through.



TIPS & NOTES

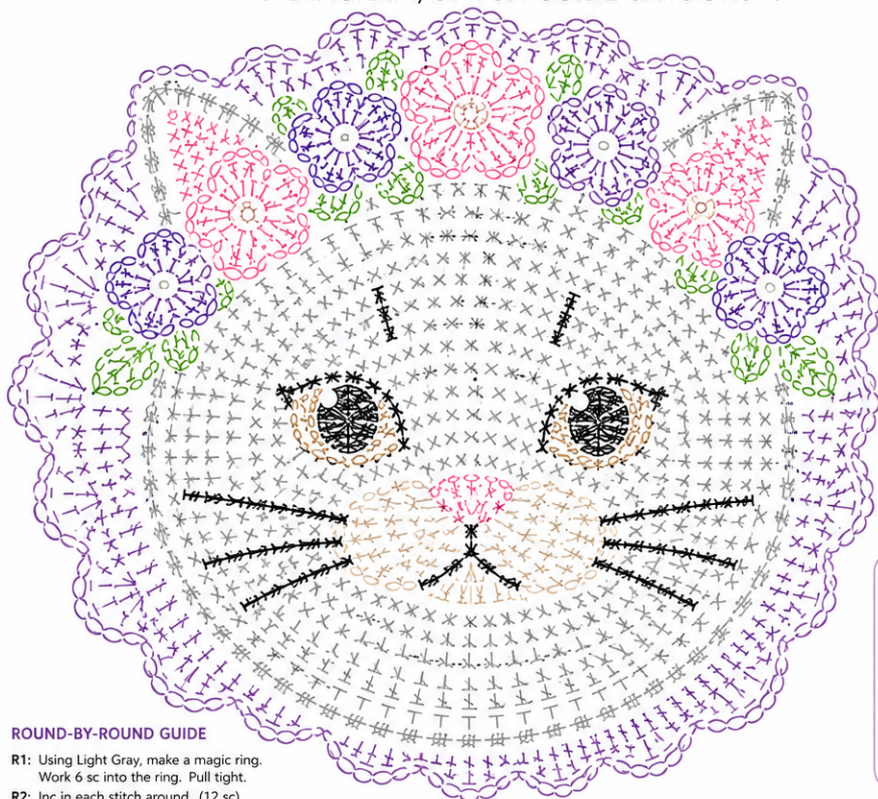
- Use a smaller hook for tighter stitches and a more defined shape.
- Weave in ends as you go to keep the back neat.
- Block your pieces gently if needed to even out shapes.
- This applique can be sewn or glued onto your project.
- Have fun customizing your cat with different colors!
- Perfect for beginners and intermediate crocheters.



Happy Crocheting! ♥

CROCHET CAT COASTER PATTERN

♥ DIAGRAM, STITCH GUIDE & HOOKS ♥



ROUND-BY-ROUND GUIDE

- R1: Using Light Gray, make a magic ring.
Work 6 sc into the ring. Pull tight.
- R2: Inc in each stitch around. (12 sc)
- R3: (sc, inc) repeat around. (18 sc)
- R4: (2 sc, inc) repeat around. (24 sc)
- R5: (3 sc, inc) repeat around. (30 sc)
- R6: (4 sc, inc) repeat around. (36 sc)
- R7-R16: Sc in each stitch around. (36 sc)
- R17 (Ears): Follow the diagram for shaping the ears.
- R18 (Border): Switch to Purple.
(dc, ch 2, dc) in same stitch (shell made).
Skip 1 stitch, sl st in next stitch.
Repeat around.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

SPECIAL NOTES

- Use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch of each round.
- Work tightly enough to keep the coaster flat.
- You can block the finished piece for a smoother shape.
- The face details (eyes, whiskers, mouth) can be embroidered or made with black yarn.

STITCH KEY (US TERMS)

- chain (ch)
- slip stitch (sl st)
- X single crochet (sc)
- T half double crochet (hdc)
- ⊥ double crochet (dc)
- ⋈ treble crochet (tr)
- ◎ magic ring (mr)
- V 2 sc in same stitch (inc)
- Λ invisible decrease (dec)
- ◡ leaf (worked in sc)
- ⌏ back loop only
- ↺ repeat instructions

YARN COLORS GUIDE

- Light Gray - Cat Face
- White - Muzzle
- Pink - Nose & Inner Ears / Flowers
- Purple - Flowers & Border
- Green - Leaves
- Black - Eyes, Whiskers, Mouth
- Beige - Eye Details

RECOMMENDED HOOKS

For this project we recommend:

- 3.5 mm (E/4) or 4.0 mm (G/6) crochet hook
- Adjust hook size according to your tension and yarn.



♥ Enjoy making your cute crochet cat coaster! ♥

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Crochet Cat Face Applique – Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial (Original Pattern Inspired by the Design)

Create an adorable floral cat face applique using this detailed tutorial! This original pattern is inspired by a classic floral cat applique design and is written in US crochet terminology. Every step is explained carefully so beginners and experienced crocheters alike can follow along from start to finish.

Skill Level: Easy to Intermediate 😊

Finished Size: Approximately 7.5 inches (19 cm) in diameter.

Materials

Prepare all your materials before starting.

- **Worsted Weight Yarn (#4)**
 - **Gray**
 - **White**
 - **Light Pink**
 - **Dark Pink**
 - **Light Purple**
 - **Dark Purple**
 - **Green**
 - **Black**
 - **Tan or Beige**
- **4.0 mm (G) Crochet Hook**
- **Yarn Needle**
- **Sharp Scissors**
- **Stitch Markers (optional)**
- **Small amount of stuffing (optional if you want a raised effect)**

Crochet Abbreviations (US Terms)

- **MR – Magic Ring**

- Ch – Chain
- Sl St – Slip Stitch
- Sc – Single Crochet
- Hdc – Half Double Crochet
- Dc – Double Crochet
- Inc – Increase (2 stitches in one stitch)
- Dec – Decrease
- FO – Fasten Off



Project Overview

This applique is made in several separate pieces:

- Face
- Muzzle
- Nose
- Eyes
- Whiskers
- Inner Ears
- Outer Ears
- Flowers
- Leaves
- Decorative Border

Each piece is crocheted individually before being sewn together.

Step 1 – Crochet the Face

The face forms the foundation of the project.

Begin with gray yarn.

Make a Magic Ring.

Round 1

Work 6 single crochet into the ring.

Pull the ring tightly closed.

Join with a slip stitch.

(6)

Round 2

Chain 1.

Work 2 single crochet in each stitch around.

Join.

(12)

Round 3

Chain 1.

1 single crochet, increase.

Repeat around.

(18)

Round 4

Chain 1.

2 single crochet, increase.

Repeat around.

(24)

Round 5

Chain 1.

3 single crochet, increase.

Repeat around.

(30)

Round 6

Chain 1.

4 single crochet, increase.

Repeat around.

(36)

Continue increasing evenly in this same manner until your circle measures approximately 5¼ inches (13 cm) across.

Your circle should remain perfectly flat.

If it begins to ripple, loosen your tension.

If it curls upward, loosen your stitches or add another increase.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

Step 2 – Make the Muzzle

Using white yarn.

Chain 7.

Work around both sides of the chain to create an oval.

Crochet evenly around.

Increase gently at each end so the shape stays rounded.

Continue until the muzzle measures approximately:

- 2 inches wide
- 1¼ inches tall

Fasten off.

Leave a long sewing tail.

Step 3 – Crochet the Nose

Using pink yarn.

Create a tiny triangle.

Begin with Chain 2.

Work single crochet rows while increasing slightly until the triangle measures approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ inch wide.

Fasten off.

Step 4 – Make the Eyes

Using black yarn.

Make two tiny circles.

Round 1

6 single crochet into a Magic Ring.

Round 2

Increase evenly until each eye measures about $\frac{3}{4}$ inch.

Fasten off.

Eye Highlights

Using white yarn,

embroider one or two tiny stitches onto each eye.

This creates a beautiful sparkle.

Eye Outline

Using tan or beige yarn,

embroider a delicate outline around each eye.

This gives the eyes a soft, realistic appearance.



Step 5 – Embroider the Face

Position the muzzle first.

Sew securely.

Attach the nose.

Using black embroidery thread or black yarn,

embroider:

- **Mouth**
- **Smile**
- **Whiskers**
- **Eyelashes**
- **Eyebrows**

Keep the whiskers symmetrical.

Use three whiskers on each side.

Take your time.

Small details bring the cat to life.

Step 6 – Crochet the Inner Ears

Using pink yarn.

Create two small triangles.

Begin with Chain 2.

Increase gradually until each ear fits neatly inside the outer ear.

Fasten off.

Step 7 – Crochet the Outer Ears

Using gray yarn.

Repeat the same triangular construction, making each piece slightly larger.

Place the pink ear inside.

Sew together.

Leave the lower edge open.

Step 8 – Crochet the Flowers

Make five flowers.

You may use:

- **Light Pink**
- **Dark Pink**
- **Light Purple**
- **Dark Purple**

Each flower has five petals.

Flower Center

Create a Magic Ring.

Work several single crochet into the ring.

Join.

Petals

For each petal:

Chain 2.

Work:

- **2 Double Crochet**
- **1 Half Double Crochet**
- **2 Double Crochet**

Slip stitch into the next stitch.

Repeat around.

Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

Step 9 – Crochet the Leaves

Make six leaves.

Using green yarn.

Chain 6.

Working back along the chain:

- **Single Crochet**
- **Half Double Crochet**
- **Double Crochet**
- **Half Double Crochet**
- **Single Crochet**

Fasten off.

Pinch the tip gently to create a natural leaf shape.

Step 10 – Crochet the Decorative Border

Join purple yarn anywhere around the face.

Round 1

Single crochet evenly around.

Keep your stitch count consistent.

Join.

Round 2

Create scallops.

Repeat:

Slip Stitch

Skip one stitch

Work 5 Double Crochet in the next stitch

Skip one stitch

Slip Stitch

Continue around the entire circle.

Finish with a slip stitch.

Fasten off.

Weave in all yarn tails.

Step 11 – Arrange the Flowers

Before sewing,

place all flowers on the forehead.

Move them around until you're happy with the composition.

Alternate:

 **Purple**

 **Pink**

💜 Purple

💖 Pink

💜 Purple

This creates balance.

🌿 **Step 12 – Add the Leaves**

Slide the leaves underneath the flowers.

Allow some leaves to point upward.

Others can angle outward.

Natural variation creates a more realistic floral arrangement.

Sew each leaf securely.

👂 **Step 13 – Attach the Ears**

Position both ears near the top edge of the face.

Check that they are symmetrical.

Pin them in place if needed.

Sew firmly.

Hide all stitches behind the ears.

😊 **Step 14 – Attach the Facial Features**

Sew the muzzle onto the center of the face.

Attach the nose.

Position the eyes evenly.

Embroider eyelashes.

Add eyebrows.

Finally,

embroider the whiskers.

Step back often to ensure everything is centered.

Step 15 – Optional Stuffing

If you'd like a three-dimensional effect,

place a tiny amount of fiberfill behind the muzzle before sewing it completely closed.

Do not overstuff.

A little goes a long way.

Step 16 – Final Finishing

Inspect every seam.

Secure any loose yarn ends.

Steam lightly if desired.

Do not press directly with the iron.

Shape the flowers gently using your fingers.

Your crochet cat applique is now complete!



Helpful Tips

- Use stitch markers for perfectly round circles.
- Maintain even tension throughout the project.
- Sew pieces before weaving in tails.
- Block the finished applique for a professional finish.
- Mix flower colors for a unique look.
- Add tiny beads only if the applique is for decoration rather than children's items.



Creative Uses

Your finished cat applique can decorate:

- Blankets
- Tote bags
- Pillows
- Baby blankets
- Sweaters
- Wall hangings
- Table runners
- Crochet baskets
- Nursery décor
- Gift bags
- Jackets
- Cushion covers



Frequently Asked Questions

Can beginners make this project?

Yes. The project mainly uses basic crochet stitches and simple shaping, making it suitable for confident beginners who are comfortable working in the round.

Can I use cotton yarn?

Absolutely. Cotton yarn provides excellent stitch definition and helps the applique hold its shape.

Can I make the cat larger?

Yes. Continue increasing the face circle for additional rounds before adding the decorative border, then scale the other pieces proportionally.

Can I change the flower colors?

Of course! Mix and match colors to create seasonal or personalized designs.

Is this applique washable?

Yes, provided you use washable yarn. Hand washing or using a gentle machine cycle is recommended.

Can I glue the applique instead of sewing it?

Yes, for decorative projects you may use fabric glue. For items that will be handled frequently or washed, sewing is the more durable option.

How do I keep the face perfectly round?

Use consistent tension, place increases evenly, and lightly block the finished circle before assembly if needed.

 Congratulations!

You have completed a charming Crochet Cat Face Applique using an original pattern inspired by the floral cat design. With careful stitching, thoughtful placement of the flowers and leaves, and attention to the embroidered facial details, you'll create a delightful applique that adds personality to blankets, bags, pillows, and many other handmade projects. Enjoy customizing each cat with your favorite color combinations, and most importantly, have fun crocheting! 🧶🐱🌸