



Crochet Pumpkin Wreath Placemat Step by Step Tutorial

Materials

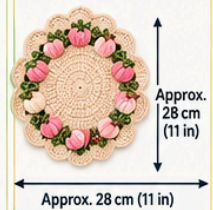
- Worsted weight cotton yarn (or any medium yarn)
- Colors:
 - Beige (base)
 - Pink (pumpkins)
 - Cream/White (pumpkins)
 - Green (leaves and vines)
- Crochet hook: 4.0 mm (G/6) (or size needed for your yarn)
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Yarn needle
- Scissors



Abbreviations (U.S. Terms)

ch = chain
sl st = slip stitch
sc = single crochet
hdc = half double crochet
dc = double crochet
inc = increase (2 sc in same stitch)
dec = decrease (sc 2 together)
st(s) = stitch(es)
BLO = back loop only
FLO = front loop only
() = repeat instructions
[...] = total stitches at the end of the round

Finished Size



PART 1 - CROCHET THE BASE



1 Make a magic ring. Ch 2 (counts as dc). Work 11 dc into the ring. Join with sl st. [12]
2 Round 2: Ch 2, 1 dc in same st, 2 dc in each st around. Join with sl st. [24]
3 Round 3: Ch 2, 1 dc in same st, 1 dc in next st, 2 dc in next st. Repeat around. Join. [36]
4 Continue increasing evenly to keep the circle flat. Round 4: (2 dc, 2 dc in next st) around. [48]
5 Round 5: (3 dc, 2 dc in next st) around. [60]
6 Round 6: (4 dc, 2 dc in next st) around. Join. [72] Your base should measure about 18 cm (7 in) in diameter.

PART 2 - CROCHET THE SCALLOPED EDGE



1 Join yarn. Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sc in next 3 sts. Repeat around. Join with sl st.
2 This creates the scalloped edge.
3 Your base with scalloped edge is ready! Set aside.

PART 3 - CROCHET THE PUMPKINS (Make 8)



1 Ch 11. Join with sl st to form a ring.
2 Round 1: Ch 1, work 20 sc into the ring. Join. [20]
3 Round 2-6: Sc in each st around for 5 rounds. [20] (do not join, keep working in a spiral).
4 Stuff firmly with fiberfill.
5 Using a yarn needle, weave the yarn through the front loops of all 20 sts. Pull tightly to close and secure. This forms the pumpkin shape.
6 Make the top: Chain 5, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc, hdc, dc, sl st. Repeat 3 leaves. Sew to the top.

PUMPKIN VARIATIONS



Make 4 pumpkins in pink and 4 pumpkins in cream/white (or use any colors you like).

PART 4 - CROCHET THE LEAVES AND VINES

LEAF (Make 2 leaves for each pumpkin)



Ch 6, sl st in 2nd ch, sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc. Fasten off. Make 2 leaves.

CURLY VINE (Make 2 for each pumpkin)



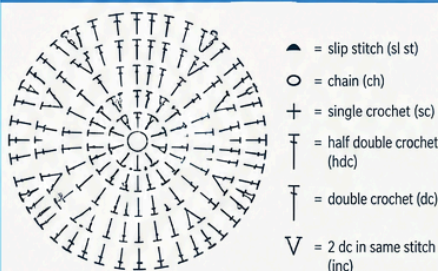
Ch 25. Starting in 2nd ch from hook, work 3 sc in each ch (this makes the curl). Fasten off. Make 2 vines.

PART 5 - ASSEMBLE THE WREATH

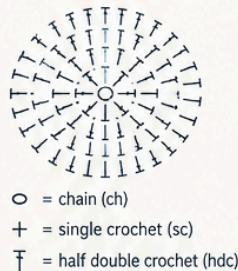


1 Arrange 8 pumpkins evenly around the base. Place a pink and a cream pumpkin alternating.
2 Sew each pumpkin securely to the base. Add 2 leaves and 2 curly vines to each pumpkin.
3 Repeat for all pumpkins. Weave in all ends.

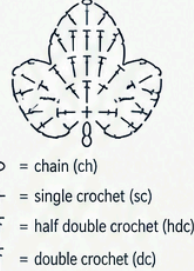
CROCHET CHART - BASE



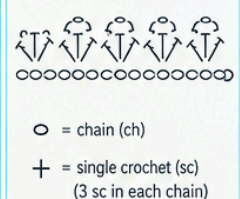
PUMPKIN CHART (Top View)



LEAF CHART



CURLY VINE CHART



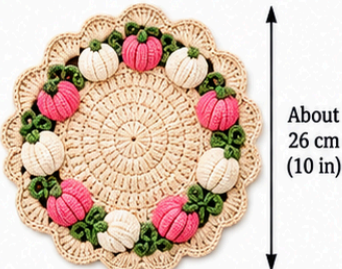
Complete Crochet Chart with Stitches and Keys



STITCH KEY (US TERMS)

- Chain (ch)
- Slip stitch (sl st)
- ✚ Single crochet (sc)
- T Half double crochet (hdc)
- T Double crochet (dc)
- T Treble crochet (tr)
- T Double crochet 3 together (dc3tog)
- ⌒ Back loop only (blo)
- ⌒ Front loop only (flo)
- ✚ 5 double crochet cluster (5 dc in same stitch)

FINISHED SIZE



About 26 cm (10 in)

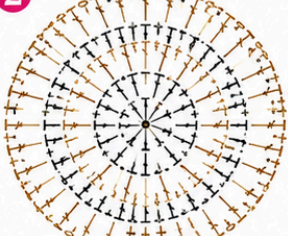
CENTER CIRCLE

1



MAIN ROUNDS

2



SCALLOPED BORDER

3



PUMPKIN (Make 8)

4



LEAF (Make 16)

5



SMALL CURLY VINE (Make 16)

6



ASSEMBLY

7



Sew the pumpkins and leaves evenly around the border, alternating colors.

PUMPKIN COLOR VARIATIONS

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Pink Pumpkin White Pumpkin

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The Crochet Pumpkin Wreath Placemat is a beautiful handmade decoration featuring a round beige crochet base, a

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scalloped border, eight miniature pumpkins in pink and cream, and delicate green curly vines. This charming design combines traditional crochet techniques with three-dimensional decorative elements, creating a cozy autumn-inspired piece for your home.

This tutorial follows the supplied crochet chart and explains how to make the entire project using U.S. crochet terminology, from the first magic ring to the final assembly. It includes stitch abbreviations, round-by-round instructions, pumpkin shaping, decorative leaves, curly vines, and finishing techniques.

The finished placemat measures approximately 28 cm (11 inches) in diameter, depending on your yarn, hook size, and tension. It is suitable for crocheters who know basic stitches and want to practice increasing in the round, making textured crochet pieces, and attaching appliqués.

Pattern note: The reference graphic contains a few abbreviated and inconsistent stitch counts, particularly in the base, border, and pumpkin construction. The instructions below preserve its appearance, colors, and construction sequence while clarifying those steps into a workable pattern.

Step 1 – Gather Your Materials and Learn the Crochet Stitches

Before beginning, organize all your supplies. Keeping your materials nearby will make the project easier and help you maintain consistent tension.

Materials

- Worsted-weight cotton yarn in beige or natural cream for the circular base
- Pink cotton yarn for four pumpkins
- Cream or white cotton yarn for four pumpkins

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- Green cotton yarn for the leaves, stems, and curly vines
- 4.0 mm (G/6) crochet hook, or a hook appropriate for your yarn
- Polyester fiberfill for stuffing the pumpkins
- Yarn needle for sewing and weaving in ends
- Scissors
- Stitch markers
- Measuring tape

Cotton yarn is especially useful for this project because it provides good stitch definition and helps the finished placemat maintain its shape.

U.S. Crochet Abbreviations

Abbrevia tion	Meaning
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 – crochet 2 stitches together
st / sts	Stitch / stitches
MR	Magic ring
BLO	Back loop only
FLO	Front loop only
rep	Repeat
FO	Fasten off
()	Repeat the instructions inside
[]	Total stitch count

How to Make the Main Stitches

Chain (ch): Make a slip knot and place it on your hook. Yarn over and pull the yarn through the loop. Repeat as needed.

Slip stitch (sl st): Insert your hook into the designated stitch, yarn over, and pull through the stitch and the loop already on your hook.

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Single crochet (sc): Insert your hook into the stitch, yarn over, and pull up a loop. Yarn over again and pull through both loops.

Half double crochet (hdc): Yarn over, insert your hook into the stitch, and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through all three loops.

Double crochet (dc): Yarn over, insert your hook into the stitch, and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through two loops, then yarn over and pull through the remaining two loops.

Increase (inc): Work two stitches into the same stitch. In the base pattern, increases are made using double crochet.

Decrease (dec): Combine two stitches into one. For a single crochet decrease, insert your hook into the front loops of the next two stitches, yarn over and pull through both front loops, then yarn over and pull through the remaining loops.

Back loop only (BLO): Work into the back loop of the stitch instead of under both loops. This technique creates raised ridges and is particularly useful for textured pumpkin bodies.

Step 2 – Crochet the Round Beige Base

The circular base is the foundation of the entire project. It features a flat center, evenly spaced double crochet increases, and a softly textured surface.

Use your beige cotton yarn and 4.0 mm crochet hook.

Round 1 – Create the Magic Ring

- 1. Make a magic ring.**
- 2. Chain 2.** This beginning chain does not count as a stitch.
- 3. Work 12 double crochet stitches into the ring.**
- 4. Pull the yarn tail gently to close the center.**

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5. Join with a slip stitch into the first double crochet.

Stitch count: 12 dc.

Keep the center closed without pulling so tightly that the fabric puckers.

Round 2 – First Increase Round

- 1. Chain 2.**
- 2. Work 2 dc into the first stitch.**
- 3. Continue working 2 dc into every stitch around.**
- 4. Join with a slip stitch.**

Stitch count: 24 dc.

Your work should begin forming a small, flat circle.

Round 3 – Expand the Circle

- 1. Chain 2.**
- 2. Work 2 dc into the first stitch.**
- 3. Work 1 dc into the next stitch.**
- 4. Repeat (2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next st) around.**
- 5. Join with a slip stitch.**

Stitch count: 36 dc.

The circle should remain relatively flat.

Round 4 – Continue Increasing

- 1. Chain 2.**
- 2. Work 2 dc into the first stitch.**
- 3. Work 1 dc into each of the next 2 stitches.**
- 4. Repeat (2 dc in next st, 1 dc in each of next 2 sts) around.**
- 5. Join with a slip stitch.**

Stitch count: 48 dc.

Round 5 – Build the Main Surface

- 1. Chain 2.**
- 2. Work 2 dc into the first stitch.**
- 3. Work 1 dc into each of the next 3 stitches.**
- 4. Repeat around.**
- 5. Join with a slip stitch.**

Stitch count: 60 dc.

At this stage, the center should resemble the circular texture shown in the reference graphic.

Round 6 – Finish the Initial Base

- 1. Chain 2.**
- 2. Work 2 dc into the first stitch.**
- 3. Work 1 dc into each of the next 4 stitches.**
- 4. Repeat around.**
- 5. Join with a slip stitch.**

Stitch count: 72 dc.

The reference graphic suggests that the center should measure approximately 18 cm (7 inches) at this stage. Actual measurements will vary with yarn thickness and tension.

If your base is smaller, continue with additional evenly increased rounds:

Round 7: (2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next 5 sts) around. [84 dc]

Round 8: (2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next 6 sts) around. [96 dc]

Round 9: (2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next 7 sts) around. [108 dc]

For the border instructions below, finish after Round 9, with 108 stitches.

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If your circle begins to ripple, your stitches may be too loose or your yarn may require fewer increases. If it begins to form a bowl shape, additional increases may be necessary.

Step 3 – Crochet the Decorative Scalloped Border

The scalloped border gives this placemat its distinctive floral appearance. The design features rounded shell-like sections that frame the miniature pumpkins.

Continue using beige yarn.

Round 10 – Prepare the Border

1. Chain 1.
2. Work 1 sc into every stitch around.
3. Join with a slip stitch into the first sc.

Stitch count: 108 sc.

This creates a stable foundation for the scalloped edging.

Round 11 – Create the Scallops

Each scallop uses nine stitches from the previous round.

Repeat the following sequence:

1. Skip the next 2 stitches.
2. Work 7 dc into the next stitch.
3. Skip the next 2 stitches.
4. Work 1 sc into each of the next 4 stitches.

Repeat this sequence 12 times around the placemat.

Join with a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round.

You should now have 12 rounded scallops around the edge.

Round 12 – Finish the Border

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For a neat, defined edge:

- 1. Chain 1.**
- 2. Work 1 sc into each stitch around, including the stitches along the scallops.**
- 3. Join with a slip stitch.**
- 4. Fasten off.**
- 5. Weave in the yarn ends securely.**

Gently flatten the piece with your hands.

If necessary, lightly dampen the base and pin it into a symmetrical circular shape. Allow it to dry completely before adding the pumpkins.

Step 4 – Crochet the Eight Miniature Pumpkins

The decorative pumpkins are the main attraction of this pattern.

The reference design uses:

- 4 pink pumpkins**
- 4 cream or white pumpkins**

Each pumpkin is approximately 4–5 cm across, depending on the yarn and stuffing.

All eight pumpkins use the same construction method.

Part A – Create the Pumpkin Body

The reference graphic begins with a chain ring and a ribbed crochet tube. For a more reliable stuffed shape, use the following continuous-round construction.

Round 1:

- 1. Chain 11.**

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2. Join with a slip stitch to form a ring, making sure the chain is not twisted.
3. Chain 1.
4. Work 20 sc evenly around the chain ring.
5. Join with a slip stitch.

[20 sc]

Round 2:

1. Chain 1.
2. Work 1 sc in BLO of each stitch around.
3. Join with a slip stitch.

[20 sc]

Rounds 3–6:

Repeat Round 2, working in BLO throughout.

[20 sc per round]

Working through the back loops creates horizontal ridges. These can be pulled into vertical pumpkin sections during assembly.

Round 7:

1. Chain 1.
2. Work 1 sc into each stitch around.
3. Join with a slip stitch.
4. Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.

[20 sc]

You should now have a small, textured crochet tube.

Part B – Close the Bottom

Thread the beginning yarn tail through a yarn needle.

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Pass the needle through the stitches around the bottom opening.

Pull the yarn gently to gather the opening closed.

Secure it with a few small stitches.

Part C – Add the Stuffing

Fill the pumpkin with polyester fiberfill.

Add small amounts at a time and distribute the stuffing evenly.

The pumpkin should feel firm but not overly stretched. Too much stuffing can make the ribs less visible.

Part D – Close the Top

Using the long yarn tail:

1. Thread your yarn needle.
2. Pass it through the stitches around the top opening.
3. Pull tightly to gather the stitches.
4. Secure the opening with a knot hidden inside the fabric.

Part E – Shape the Pumpkin Sections

To reproduce the segmented appearance in the reference:

1. Insert the needle through the center of the pumpkin from top to bottom.
2. Bring the yarn around the outside of the pumpkin.
3. Pull gently to create an indentation.
4. Repeat around the body to form approximately six evenly spaced sections.
5. Secure the yarn at the bottom.

These shaping strands help create the rounded pumpkin ribs shown in the photograph.

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Repeat the entire process until you have four pink and four cream pumpkins.

Step 5 – Crochet the Green Pumpkin Stems and Leaves



The miniature green decorations add contrast and give each pumpkin a more realistic appearance.

The reference design uses a small green top with decorative leaves.

Make the Pumpkin Stem

Using green yarn:

1. Make a slip knot.
2. Chain 5.
3. Starting in the second chain from the hook, work 1 sc in each chain.
4. Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

This creates a short, slightly flexible stem.

For a thicker stem, work another row of sc along the opposite side of the foundation chain.

Make a Small Leaf

Use green yarn.

1. Chain 6.
2. Starting in the second chain from the hook, work 1 sl st.
3. Work 1 sc into the next chain.
4. Work 1 hdc into the next chain.
5. Work 1 dc into the next chain.
6. Work 3 sc into the final chain to turn around the tip.
7. Continue along the opposite side of the foundation chain.

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8. Work 1 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc, and 1 sl st in the corresponding chains.
9. Fasten off, leaving a sewing tail.

The leaf should have a softly pointed oval shape.

Make Two Leaves for Each Pumpkin

Repeat the leaf instructions to make two leaves per pumpkin.

For eight pumpkins, prepare:

16 small green leaves.

Attach the leaves near the top of each pumpkin, positioning them around the stem.

Sew the stem into the center of the pumpkin.

Secure all pieces with small stitches so that the attachments remain firm.

Step 6 – Crochet the Curly Green Vines

The curly vines create the playful swirling details visible between the pumpkins.

The reference graphic uses a chain of 25 stitches with multiple stitches worked into each chain to produce a curl.

Make One Curly Vine

1. Make a slip knot with green yarn.
2. Chain 25.
3. Starting in the second chain from the hook, work 3 sc into each chain across.
4. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

As you work multiple single crochet stitches into each chain, the strip naturally curls into a spiral.

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If your vine curls too tightly, gently stretch and reshape it with your fingers.

If you prefer a looser spiral, use 2 sc instead of 3 sc in selected chains.

Prepare All the Vines

The reference suggests making two vines per pumpkin.

For eight pumpkins, prepare:

16 curly vines.

The vines can be arranged in different directions to create a natural, flowing wreath effect.

You can also vary the starting chain length slightly to create longer and shorter curls.

Step 7 – Assemble the Crochet Pumpkin Wreath Placemat

Once all the crochet pieces are complete, it is time to assemble the decoration.

Place the beige circular base on a clean, flat surface.

Arrange the pumpkins around the outer portion of the base, just inside the scalloped border.

Position the Eight Pumpkins

Alternate the pumpkin colors:

1. Pink
2. Cream
3. Pink
4. Cream

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5. Pink
6. Cream
7. Pink
8. Cream

Space the pumpkins evenly around the circle.

Keep the central area open so that the beige crochet pattern remains visible.

The reference image shows the pumpkins positioned in a ring, with green leaves and vines filling the gaps between them.

Sew the Pumpkins to the Base

Use a yarn needle and matching yarn.

1. Position the first pumpkin.
2. Thread the needle with a matching yarn tail.
3. Pass the needle through the bottom stitches of the pumpkin.
4. Sew through several stitches of the beige base.
5. Repeat until the pumpkin is securely attached.
6. Hide the yarn end on the underside.

Avoid pulling too tightly, as this can distort the base.

Repeat for all eight pumpkins.

Attach the Leaves

Arrange two green leaves near the top of each pumpkin.

Sew them in place using their yarn tails.

Angle the leaves slightly outward to create a fuller appearance.

Add the Curly Vines

Position two curly vines around each pumpkin.

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Allow the spirals to extend into the spaces between the pumpkins.

Use a few small stitches to secure each vine at its base and, if necessary, at one additional point along the curl.

Do not sew down every section of the vine. Leaving parts free creates the dimensional look shown in the reference.

Check the Overall Arrangement

Before finishing, examine the wreath from above.

Check that:

- The eight pumpkins are evenly spaced.
- Pink and cream pumpkins alternate.
- The green vines fill the spaces without covering the entire base.
- The scalloped border remains visible.
- The center of the placemat stays open.

Make small adjustments until the arrangement looks balanced.

Step 8 – Finishing, Blocking, and Caring for Your Placemat ✨

Proper finishing gives your handmade placemat a polished appearance.

Weave in the Ends

Turn the placemat over.

Use a yarn needle to weave each loose end through several nearby stitches.

Change direction at least once to help secure the yarn.

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Trim excess yarn carefully.

Shape the Scalloped Edge

Place the finished piece on a flat surface.

Gently pull each scallop outward to define its rounded shape.

If the base needs blocking, lightly dampen the beige portion while avoiding soaking the stuffed pumpkins.

Pin the scallops into an even circle and allow the piece to dry completely.

Check the Pumpkin Attachments

Lift the placemat gently and inspect each pumpkin.

Make sure the pumpkins, stems, leaves, and vines are securely sewn.

Reinforce any loose pieces.

Care Instructions

For best results:

- **Hand wash gently in cool water when necessary.**
- **Use a mild detergent.**
- **Avoid wringing or twisting the stuffed pumpkins.**
- **Press excess water out with a clean towel.**
- **Reshape the base and decorative elements.**
- **Lay flat to air dry completely.**

Do not place hot cookware directly on the stuffed pumpkins. This project is best used as a decorative placemat, table centerpiece, or seasonal display rather than a heat-resistant trivet.

Step 9 – Understand the Crochet Chart Symbols

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The supplied tutorial also includes charts for the circular base, pumpkin, leaf, and curly vine.

Understanding the symbols will make it easier to follow similar crochet patterns.

Chart symbol	Meaning
Oval	Chain (ch)
Filled dot	Slip stitch (sl st)
Plus sign (+)	Single crochet (sc)
T-shaped symbol	Half double crochet (hdc)
T with one crossbar	Double crochet (dc)
V-shaped pair	Two stitches worked into one stitch (increase)

Reading the Circular Base Chart

Begin at the center and work outward.

Each circular row represents another round of crochet.

The increases are distributed evenly to keep the base flat.

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Reading the Pumpkin Chart

The pumpkin chart illustrates the textured stitches used to build the pumpkin body.

The dimensional shape is achieved through stuffing, gathering the openings, and sewing the sections into place.

Reading the Leaf Chart

The leaf chart shows different stitch heights used to create a pointed leaf.

Short stitches form the ends, while taller stitches create the wider center.

Reading the Curly Vine Chart

The vine begins with a foundation chain.

Multiple stitches worked into each chain cause the fabric to curl naturally.

This technique is frequently used for crochet tendrils, decorative spirals, and floral embellishments.

Step 10 – Final Measurements and Project Summary

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Crochet Pumpkin Wreath Placemat

Finished project specifications

Approximately 28 cm (11 inches)

Intermediate-friendly crochet project

Base	Beige / natural
color	cream

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Pumpkins 8 total (4 pink, 4 cream)

Leaves 16 green leaves

Curly vines 16 green spirals

Border 12 scalloped sections

Hook 4.0 mm (G/6)

Yarn Worsted-weight cotton

The finished Crochet Pumpkin Wreath Placemat combines a traditional circular crochet foundation with colorful, three-dimensional decorations.

Its alternating pink and cream pumpkins create a soft, cheerful look, while the green leaves and curly vines provide texture and movement.

You can customize the design by replacing pink with traditional orange, using darker autumn greens, or choosing neutral pumpkins for a farmhouse-inspired appearance.

The most important techniques are maintaining a flat circular base, creating evenly shaped pumpkins, and attaching each decorative element securely.

With careful stitching and thoughtful assembly, you will have a beautiful handmade crochet decoration that can be displayed throughout the autumn season or given as a thoughtful handmade gift.