

Team Spirit Pom Pom Hat

Free Crochet Pattern Courtesy of [Oui Crochet](http://www.ouicrochet.com/)

Supplies:

Sizes I and J crochet hooks

Worsted weight yarn in three team colors (My colors are:
A-Gold, B-Red, C-White)

Yarn needle

Pom pom maker (or a piece of folded card stock- I used an index card)

scissors



Special Instructions:

Back Loop Half Double Crochet = BLhdc: Work the hdc in only the back loop of the indicated stitch.

Warning: When using pom poms for children under 3 (or any age, if you feel there is a concern), please make sure they are supervised. Children can pull the pom pom strands loose, and put them in their mouths, posing a choking hazard.

Pattern:

Using the I hook, ch 50 with color A

Row 1: hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Turn. (49)

Rows 2-6: ch 1 (does not count as stitch, here and throughout), BLhdc in each stitch across. Turn. (49)

Switch to color B

Rows 7-8: ch 1, BLhdc in each stitch across. Turn. (49)

Switch to color C

Rows 9-10: ch 1, BLhdc in each stitch across. Turn. (49)

Switch to color B

Rows 11-12: ch 1, BLhdc in each stitch across. Turn. (49)

Switch to color A

Rows 13-18: ch 1, BLhdc in each stitch across. Turn. (49)

Finish off and weave in ends.

Fold in half so that the fold will be on the top of the head, and opposite of the fold will be the brim.

Sew up sides with yarn and yarn needle. Weave in ends.

Ear Flaps:

Ear flaps will be centered at sewn sides, starting 2 rows before the seam and ending 2 rows past the seam.

Attach color A

Row 1: ch 1, work 6 hdc, evenly spaced between the rows indicated. Turn. (6)

Row 2: ch 1, hdc in each st across. Turn. (6)

Row 3: ch 1, hdc2tog, hdc 4. Turn. (5)

Row 4: ch 1, hdc2tog, hdc 3. Turn. (4)

Row 5: ch 1, hdc2tog, hdc 2. Turn. (3)

Row 6: ch 1, hdc2tog, hdc 1. Turn. (2)

Row 7: ch 1, hdc2tog. Turn. (1)

Finish off and weave in ends. Repeat on other side.

Trim:

Using the J hook, we will work with colors A and B together.

Attach yarns in the same stitch as the first stitch of an ear flap.

Reverse single crochet around the entire hat brim and ear flaps. Join.

Finish off and weave in ends.

Pom Poms:

Using colors A, B, and C, make 2 large pom poms. Attach them to the top corners of the hat.

Need a different size?

Use my [Hat and Headband Size Chart](#) and the instructions below.

To make a larger hat:

1. Determine your hat height needed, and increase stitches in your foundation chain (and each row) to obtain your required hat height.
2. Determine the circumference needed for your hat size, and increase color A rows evenly (same number before the center stripes, as after) to obtain your required circumference.
3. Larger hats may also need an extra stitch or 2 for the ear flaps. Continue decreasing rows down to 1 stitch.

To make a smaller hat:

1. Change all (BL)hdc stitches to (BL)sc, and all hdc2tog stitches to sc2tog.
2. Determine your hat height needed, and decrease stitches in your foundation chain (and each row) to obtain your required hat height.
3. Determine the circumference needed for your hat size, and decrease color A rows evenly (same number before the center stripes, as after) to obtain your required circumference.