Tuxedo Kitten Crochet Hat

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Difficulty Level:

Easy with knowledge of standard crochet terms and stitches.

Materials Needed:

- Light to medium pink color acrylic yarn
- Light yellow color acrylic yarn   OR
- Olive green color acrylic yarn
- White color acrylic yarn
- Black color acrylic yarn.   OR
- Gray color acrylic yarn   OR
- Orange color acrylic yarn

(I would recommend a medium more brownish orange shade)

- Pastel colors of acrylic yarn (for the flowers and leaves)
- Size I hook
- Size H hook (for flowers and other embellishments, if a tighter stitch is desired)
- Embroidery needle
- Scissors

Abbreviations:

St = Stitch
SlSt = Slip Stitch
Ch = Chain
SC = Single Crochet
HDC = Half Double Crochet
HDC2tog = Half Double Crochet 2 (Stitches) together
DC = Double Crochet
Tr = Treble Crochet

Infant Hat,
(approx. 0-6 months,
head circumference up to 17 inches):

In black/gray/orange color, Ch 3.
Round 1: Place 9 DC into the first Ch. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (9 St)

Round 2: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, place 2 DC into each St around, place 1 DC into the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (18 St)

Round 3: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in the next St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in next St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (27 St)

Round 4: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 2 St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in each of the next 2 St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (36 St)

Round 5: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 3 St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in each of the next 3 St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence three more times.

Switching colors: Begin a DC in black/gray/orange color in the next St by YO, insert hook into the St, YO, pull through, YO, create the first part of the DC by pulling the yarn through the first two of the three loops, move the black/gray/orange color to the back and attach white yarn, YO (with white yarn), pull through the final two loops.
Carry the black/gray/orange color along and begin a DC in white color in the next St. YO, insert hook into the St, YO pull through, YO, create the first part of the DC by pulling the yarn through the first two of the three loops, move the white color to the back and finish off the DC with black by pulling the black/gray/orange color through the final two loops. Place 1 DC into each of the next 2 St and 2 DC in the following St.

Finish off this round with black/gray/orange, continuing the sequence from * to * as listed above. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (45 St)

Round 6: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and 1 DC into each of the next 19 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 3 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 2 St and begin the third DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this third DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (45 St)

Round 7: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and 1 DC into each of the next 17 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 5 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 4 St and begin the fifth DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this fifth DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (45 St)

Round 8: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and * 1 DC into each of the next 15 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 7 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 6 St and begin the seventh DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this seventh DC off in the black/gray/orange

color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. * (45 St)

Round 9: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 8 from * to *. (45 St)

Round 10: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and then repeat round 8 from * to *. (45 St)

Round 11: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 8 from * to *. (45 St)

Round 12: In white, place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and 1 DC into each St around. SlSt to first DC in round to connect. Ch 1. (45 St)

Round 13: Place 1 HDC into the same space as Ch 1 and 1 HDC into each St around. SlSt to first HDC of the round to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and weave in tail.

Now turn your entire project inside out and weave in all the remaining ends along the edges where the white color meets the black/gray/orange.

Earflap Option for Infant Hat:

Alternating in gray and white color (as desired):

Row 1: Find the sides of your hat and evenly count 8 St on each side for your earflaps. Attach your yarn to the first St, and HDC into the same St. HDC into each of the next 7 St. Ch 1. Turn. (8 St)

Row 2: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 4 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (6 St)

Row 3: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (6 St)

Row 4: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 2 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (4 St)

Row 5: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (4 St)

Row 6: HDC2tog twice. Ch 1. Turn. (2 St)

Row 7: HDC2tog. Ch 1. Cut yarn.

Repeat these steps on the opposite side for a second earflap, making sure to measure the desired placement of the earflap.

After you've completed your second earflap, SC around the entire piece, working in any loose ends/tails. Cut your yarn and weave in your final tail.

Refer to the adult hat section for a more detailed photo tutorial.

Toddler/Young Child Hat,
(approx. ages 1 to 3 years,
head circumference up to 19 inches):

In black/gray/orange color, Ch 3.
Round 1: Place 9 DC into the first Ch. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (9 St)

Round 2: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, place 2 DC into each St around, place 1 DC into the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (18 St)

Round 3: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in the next St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in next St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (27 St)

Round 4: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 2 St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in each of the next 2 St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (36 St)

Round 5: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 3 St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in each of the next 3 St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (45 St)

Round 6: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 4 St, 2 DC in the next St. Repeat the *1 DC in each of the next 4 St, 2 DC in the next St* three more times.

Switching colors: Begin a DC in black/gray/orange color in the next St by YO, insert hook into the St, YO, pull through, YO, create the first part of the DC by pulling the yarn through the first two of the three loops, move the black/gray/orange color to the back and attach white yarn, YO (with white yarn), pull through the final two loops.

Carry the black/gray/orange color along and begin a DC in white color in the next St. YO, insert hook into the St, YO pull through, YO, create the first part of the DC by pulling the yarn through the first two of the three loops, move the white color to the back and finish off the DC with black/gray/orange by pulling the black/gray/orange color through the final two loops. Place 1 DC into each of the next 2 St and 2 DC in the following St. Finish off this round with black/gray/orange, continuing the sequence from * to * as listed above. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (54 St)

Round 7: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and 1 DC into each of the next 24 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 3 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 2 St and begin the third DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach

and switch back to and finish this third DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (54 St)
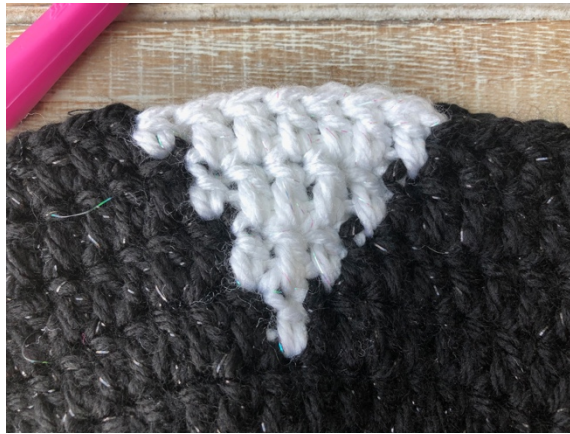

Round 8: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and 1 DC into each of the next 22 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 5 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 4 St and begin the fifth DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this fifth DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (54 St)

Round 9: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and * 1 DC into each of the next 21 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 7 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 6 St and begin the seventh DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this seventh DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. * (54 St)

Round 10: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (54 St)

Round 11: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (54 St)

Round 12: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (54 St)

Round 13: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and then repeat round 9 from * to *. Do not Ch 2 in black/gray/orange, but instead attach your white yarn, and then Ch 2. (54 St)

Round 14: In white, place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and 1 DC into each St around. SlSt to first DC in round to connect. Ch 1. (54 St)

Round 15: Place 1 HDC into the same space as Ch 1 and 1 HDC into each St around. SlSt to first HDC of the round to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and weave in tail.

Now turn your entire project inside out and weave in all the remaining ends along the edges where the white color meets the black/gray/orange.

Earflap Option for Toddler/Young Child Hat:

In white color:

Row 1: Find the sides of your hat and evenly count 10 St on each side for your earflaps. Attach your yarn to the first St, and HDC into the same St. HDC into each of the next 9 St. Ch 1. Turn. (10 St)

Row 2: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 6 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (8 St)

Row 3: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (8 St)

Row 4: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 4 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (6 St)

Row 5: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (6 St)

Row 6: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 2 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (4 St)

Row 7: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (4 St)

Row 8: HDC2tog twice. Ch 1. Turn. (2 St)

Row 9: HDC2tog. Ch 1. Cut yarn.

Repeat these steps on the opposite side for a second earflap, making sure to measure the desired placement of the earflap.

After you've completed your second earflap, SC around the entire piece, working in any loose ends/tails. Cut your yarn and weave in your final tail.

Refer to the adult hat section for a more detailed photo tutorial.

Older Children's/Adult Hat, (approx. ages 5 years and up, head circumference up to 23 inches):

In black/gray/orange color, Ch 3.
Round 1: Place 9 DC into the first Ch. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (9 St)

Round 2: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, place 2 DC into each St around, place 1 DC into the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (18 St)

Round 3: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in the next St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in next St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (27 St)

Round 4: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 2 St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in each of the next 2 St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (36 St)

Round 5: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 3 St, 2 DC in the next St. Continue the *1 DC in each of the next 3 St, 2 DC in the next St* sequence all the way around, ending with 1 DC in the final (tight) St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (45 St)

Round 6: 1 DC into the same St as Ch 2, 1 DC in each of the next 4 St, 2 DC in the next St. Repeat the *1 DC in each of the next 4 St, 2 DC in the next St* three more times.

Switching colors: Begin a DC in black/gray/orange color in the next St by YO, insert hook into the St, YO, pull through, YO, create the first part of the DC by pulling the yarn through the first two of the three loops, move the black/gray/orange color to the back and attach white yarn, YO (with white yarn), pull through the final two loops.

Carry the black/gray/orange color along and begin a DC in white color in the next St. YO, insert hook into the St, YO pull through, YO, create the first part of the DC by pulling the yarn through the first two of the three loops, move the white color to the back and finish off the DC with black/gray/orange by pulling the black/gray/orange color through the final two loops. Place 1 DC into each of the next 2 St and 2 DC in the following St. Finish off this round with black/gray/orange, continuing the sequence from * to * as listed above. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (54 St)

Round 7: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and 1 DC into each of the next 5 St. * Place 2 DC in the next St, and 1 DC into the next 5 St. * Repeat from * to * two more times. In the next St, place 1 DC and begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 3 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into the next 2 St. Begin the third DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this third DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Place 1 DC in black/gray/orange into each of the next 2 St. Repeat the *2 DC in next St, 1 DC in each of the next 5 St* sequence to the end of the round. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (63 St)

Round 8: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and 1 DC into each of the next 25 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 5 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 4 St and begin the fifth DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this fifth DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. (63 St)

Round 9: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and * 1 DC into each of the next 24 St. In the next St, begin a DC in black/gray/orange color and then use the **switching colors** technique described above to switch to and finish the DC off in white yarn. You will not be carrying the black/gray/orange yarn across but instead cut the black/gray/orange and reattach it after 7 St. *(To secure both the white and black/gray/orange yarn, you may create a double knot where the two colors meet and work in the white ends as you work. You will work the black/gray/orange ends in after finishing the base hat.)* Place 1 DC in white yarn into each of the next 6 St and begin the seventh DC in white. Use the switching colors technique described above to reattach and switch back to and finish this seventh DC off in the black/gray/orange color. Finish the round by placing 1 DC into each of the remaining St. SlSt to first DC of round to connect. Ch 2. * (63 St)

Round 10: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (63 St)

Round 11: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (63 St)

Round 12: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (63 St)

Round 13: Place 1 DC into the same space as Ch 2 and then repeat round 9 from * to *. Do not Ch 2 in black/gray/orange, but instead attach your white yarn, and then Ch 2. (63 St)

Round 14: Place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and then repeat round 9 from * to *. (63 St)

Round 15: In white, place 1 DC into the first St (not the same as Ch 2 space) and 1 DC into each St around. SlSt to first DC in round to connect. Ch 1. (63 St)

Round 16: Place 1 HDC into the same space as Ch 1 and 1 HDC into each St around. SlSt to first HDC of the round to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and weave in tail.

Now turn your entire project inside out and weave in all the remaining ends along the edges where the white color meets the black/gray/orange.

Earflap Option for Children's/Adult Hat:

In white color:

Row 1: Find the sides of your hat and evenly count 12 St on each side for your earflaps. Attach your white yarn to the first St, and HDC into the same St. HDC into each of the next 11 St. Ch 1. Turn. (12 St)

Row 2: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 8 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (10 St)

Row 3: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (10 St)

Row 4: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 6 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (8 St)

Row 5: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (8 St)

Row 6: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 4 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (6 St)

Row 7: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (6 St)

Row 8: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 2 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1. Turn. (4 St)

Row 9: HDC into each St across. Ch 1. Turn. (4 St)

Row 10: HDC2tog twice. Ch 1. Turn. (2 St)

Row 11: HDC2tog. Ch 1. Cut yarn.

Repeat these steps on the opposite side for a second earflap, making sure to measure the desired placement of the earflap.

After you've completed your second earflap, SC around the entire piece, working in any loose ends/tails. Cut your yarn and weave in your final tail.

Braided ties:

Cut 21 strands of yarn (I used 7 strands each of 3 different colors, in this case, gray, white, and pink) that measure approximately 25 to 27 inches (or your desired length) for each of the braided ties.

To create the first braid, take 21 (7 of each color) strands and use your crochet hook to loop the top of the strands through the bottom of your "earflap", working the hook from the interior side of your earflap towards the outside. This will create a loop at the top. Pull the remainder of your strands through this loop, pull tight to ensure that the strands are not loose. The attached strands will appear to have more of a "knotted" look at the top.

Now you are ready to begin braiding your strands. Begin by separating your strands into 3 equal parts (14 strands of each color in each part; since the strands are folded over they have now doubled) and braid to desired length. Use a separate strand of yarn to tie off the bottoms. Don't forget to trim the ends of your braids to even out the bottoms.

Braided tie example for the infant hat.

Finished braided tie example for the older child/adult hat.

Ears for Infant hat:

In white color, Ch 7.
Row 1: HDC into the second Ch from hook and into each of the next 5 Ch. Ch 1 and turn. (6 St).

Row 2: HDC into each St. Ch 1 and turn. (6 St).

Row 3: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 2 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1 and turn. (4 St).

Row 4: HDC2tog twice. Ch 1 and turn. (2 St).

Row 5: HDC2tog. Ch 1 and cut yarn. (1 St).

Create 2 ear parts from white yarn.

Repeat the above steps in black/gray/orange color and create 2 ear parts from this yarn.

After creating both white and black/gray/orange ear pieces, take one of each color and place them on top of each other. Beginning in the corner of both ear pieces, insert your hook through the corner stitch of both pieces, and attach your black/gray/orange yarn. Ch 1. SC into each St, taking care to create and even look on the front (white) side of the ear, until you reach the center of the ear. At the top of the ear, SC into the top St, Ch 1, SC into the same St again, and then continue to SC into each of the remaining St on the opposite side. As you reach the final St, turn your work upside down and continue to work SC into the loops of the bottom sides of your ear pieces, ensuring to tuck in any remaining loose tails before you reach the final loop. SlSt to first SC in round and Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave a tail for attaching the ear to the top of your kitten's head.

Repeat the same steps for the second ear.

Ears for Toddler/Young Child hat:

(for photo references, please view the section on ears for the infant hat but adjust the initial number of HDC. Note that this ear is slightly larger than the ear for the infant hat.)

In white color, Ch 9.
Row 1: HDC into the second Ch from hook and into each of the next 7 Ch. Ch 1 and turn. (8 St).
Row 2: HDC into each St. Ch 1 and turn. (8 St).
Row 3: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 4 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1 and turn. (6 St).
Row 4: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 2 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1 and turn. (4 St).
Row 5: HDC2tog twice. Ch 1 and turn. (2 St).
Row 6: HDC2tog. Ch 1 and cut yarn. (1 St).

Create 2 ear parts from white yarn.

Repeat the above steps in black color and create 2 ear parts from black yarn.

After creating both white and black ear pieces, take one of each color and place them on top of each other. Beginning in the corner of both ear pieces, insert your hook through the corner stitch of both pieces, and attach your black yarn. Ch 1. SC into each St, taking care to create and even look on the front (white) side of the ear, until you reach the center of the ear. At the top of the ear, SC into the top St, Ch 1, SC into the same St again, and then continue to SC into each of the remaining St. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave a tail for attaching the ear to the top of your kitten's head.

Repeat the same steps for the second ear.

Ears for Older Child/Adult hat:

(for photo references, please view the section on ears for the infant hat but adjust the initial number of HDC). Note that this ear is slightly larger than the ear for the infant hat.)

In white color, Ch 9.
Row 1: HDC into the second Ch from hook and into each of the next 7 Ch. Ch 1 and turn. (8 St).
Row 2: HDC into each St. Ch 1 and turn. (8 St).
Row 3: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 4 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1 and turn. (6 St).
Row 4: HDC into each St. Ch 1 and turn. (6 St).
Row 5: HDC2tog, HDC into each of the next 2 St, HDC2tog. Ch 1 and turn. (4 St).
Row 6: HDC2tog twice. Ch 1 and turn. (2 St).
Row 7: HDC2tog. Ch 1 and cut yarn. (1 St).

Create 2 ear parts from white yarn.

Repeat the above steps in black color and create 2 ear parts from black yarn.

After creating both white and black ear pieces, take one of each color and place them on top of each other. Beginning in the corner of both ear pieces, insert your hook through the corner stitch of both pieces, and attach your black yarn. Ch 1. SC into each St, taking care to create and even look on the front (white) side of the ear, until you reach the center of the ear. At the top of the ear, SC into the top St, Ch 1, SC into the same St again, and then continue to SC into each of the remaining St. Ch 1 and turn. Place one more round of SC around the top of the kitten's ears to create a larger ear outline (for the larger kitten hat). SlSt into the final St at the end of the opposite side of the ear's top round. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave a tail for attaching the ear to the top of your kitten's head.

Repeat the same steps for the second ear.

Eyes for the Infant hat:

In light yellow or olive green color, Ch 2.

Round 1: Place 5 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt into first HDC of round to connect. Ch 1. (5 St).

Round 2: Place 1 HDC into the same St as Ch 1 and 2 HDC into each St around, except for the final (tightest) St. Place 1 HDC into the final St. SlSt to first HDC in round to connect. Ch 1. (10 St).

Round 3: SlSt into the same St as Ch 1, SC in next St, DC in next St, Ch 2 and SlSt into the same St as the DC, SC in next St, and SlSt into the next St. SlSt into each St all the way around. Ch 1 and fasten off. Leave an approximately 10-inch long tail to sew your eye onto your kitten's face.

Create 2 eyes from green or light yellow yarn.

Eyes for the Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult hat:

In light yellow or olive green color, Ch 2.
Round 1: Place 7 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt into first HDC of round to connect. Ch 1. (7 St).

Round 2: Place 1 HDC into the same St as Ch 1 and 2 HDC into each St around, except for the final (tightest) St. Place 1 HDC into the final St. SlSt to first HDC in round to connect. Ch 1. (14 St).

Round 3: SlSt into the same St as Ch 1, SC in next St, DC in next St, Ch 2 and SlSt into the same St as the DC, SC in next St, and SlSt into the next St. SlSt into each St all the way around. Ch 1 and fasten off. Leave an approximately 10-inch long tail to sew your eye onto your kitten's face.

Create 2 eyes from green, light yellow, blue, or gold yarn.

Pupil – Infant Hat:

In black color, Ch 4.

SC in second Ch from hook and once into each of the next 2 Ch. Ch 1, SC in same (last) St of the row, turn your work to continue working on its bottom side. SC in each of the next 2 spaces, Ch 1, and SlSt to the first SC of the round. Ch 1. Use the beginning tail and pull tight to close up any loose spaces on your pupil. Cut yarn, leaving a tail to sew your pupil onto your kitten's eyeball.

Pupil – Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult hat:

In black color, Ch 5.

SC in second Ch from hook and once into each of the next 3 Ch. Ch 1, SC in same (last) St of the row, turn your work to continue working on its bottom side. SC in each of the next 3 spaces, Ch 1, and SlSt to the first SC of the round. Ch 1. Use the beginning tail and pull tight to close up any loose spaces on your pupil. Cut yarn, leaving a tail to sew your pupil onto your kitten's eyeball.

Create 2 pupils from black yarn.

Cheeks for the Infant hat:

In white color, Ch 2.

Round 1: Place 6 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt into first HDC of round to connect. Ch 1. (6 St).

Round 2: Place 1 HDC into the same St as the Ch 1, 2 HDC into each of the next 5 St, 1 HDC into the final (tight) St. SlSt into first HDC of round to connect. Ch 1. (12 St).

Round 3: Place 1 HDC into the same St as the Ch 1, 1 HDC into the next St, 2 HDC into the next St. Continue placing 1 HDC in the next St, then 2 HDC into the following St all the way around. Place 1 HDC into the final (tight) St and SlSt to connect to the first HDC of the round. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave tail for sewing the cheek onto your kitten's face. (18 St).

Create 2 cheeks from white yarn.

Cheeks for the Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult hat:

(Follow the photo instructions listed in the cheeks section for the infant hat but adjust the initial number of HDC. Note that the cheeks for the toddler/child hat are slightly larger than the cheeks for the infant hat).

In white color, Ch 2.
Round 1: Place 8 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt into first HDC of round to connect. Ch 1. (8 St).

Round 2: Place 1 HDC into the same St as the Ch 1, 2 HDC into each of the next 7 St, 1 HDC into the final (tight) St. SlSt into first HDC of round to connect. Ch 1. (16 St).

Round 3: Place 1 HDC into the same St as the Ch 1, 1 HDC into the next St, 2 HDC into the next St. Continue placing 1 HDC in the next St, then 2 HDC into the following St all the way around. Place 1 HDC into the final (tight) St and SlSt to connect to the first HDC of the round. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave tail for sewing the cheek onto your kitten's face. (24 St).

Create 2 cheeks from white yarn.

Heart-shaped nose for the Infant hat:

In pink color, Ch 2.
Place 2 HDC, 2 SC, 1 HDC, 2 SC, 2 HDC, and Ch 1, SlSt into the first Ch. Ch 1 and tighten to form the heart shape. Cut yarn and leave a longer tail for sewing the heart, a small line, and the kitten's mouth onto kitten's face.

Heart-shaped nose for the Infant hat:

In pink color, Ch 3.
Place 2 DC, 2 HDC, 1 DC, 2 HDC, 2 DC, and Ch 2, SlSt into the first Ch. Ch 1 and tighten to form the heart shape. Cut yarn and leave a longer tail for sewing the heart, a small line, and the kitten's mouth onto kitten's face.

After attaching your kitten's nose, use the remainder of the tail to add a small pink line beneath your kitten's nose (and between the two cheek circles) as well as an outline of the mouth.

Alternate triangle-shaped nose:

In pink (or alternate color, like red, salmon, light brown, or beige – you can definitely make it match your kitten's own colors), Ch 2.

Row 1: Place 4 HDC into the first Ch. Ch 1 and turn. (4 St).

Row 2: Place 2 SC into each St (for 8 total St) and then continue to work a 2 SC, 1 HDC (into the center loop), and 2 SC along the bottom edge. SlSt to the first SC of round to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 20-inch tail for sewing the nose onto the kitten's face. Use the extra tail to add a small line (between your kitten's two cheeks) as well as an outline of kitten's mouth.

Optional - Flower adornments:

Extra Small basic flower:

Ch 2.

In the first Ch, place 2 HDC, Ch 1, SlSt. This will create the first petal. Continue to * Ch 1, 2 HDC, Ch 1, SlSt * into the first Ch and repeat 3 more times for a total of 5 petals. Cut your yarn and leave an approximately 6-inch tail to sew your flower onto your kitten's head.

Small basic flower:

Ch 3.

In the first Ch, place 2 DC, Ch 2, SlSt. This will create the first petal. Continue to * Ch 2, 2 DC, Ch 2, SlSt * into the first Ch and repeat 3 more times for a total of 5 petals. Cut your yarn and leave an approximately 10-inch tail to sew your flower onto your kitten's head.

Medium-sized basic flower:

Ch 2.

Round 1: In the first Ch, place 10 HDC. SlSt into the first HDC of the round to connect. Ch 2.

Round 2: Into the first St, place * 1 DC, 2 Tr, 1 DC, Ch 2, SlSt. SlSt into the next St. Ch 2 * and repeat from * to * 4 more times for a total of 5 medium-sized petals. SlSt into the final St to connect, Ch 1, and cut your yarn, leaving an approximately 12-inch tail to sew your flower onto your kitten's head.

Optional – Leaf adornments:
Leaf 1:

In light green color:

Ch 6. In the next 5 St, place 1 SC, 1 HDC, 1 DC, 1 HDC, 1 SC + Ch 1 + 1 SC (in the final St of row). Turn your work over and work along the bottom edge, placing 1 HDC, 1 DC, 1 HDC, and 1 SC to match the opposite side. SlSt into the first SC of the round to connect and Ch 4 for the stem. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 10-inch tail for sewing your leaf onto your kitten's head.

Leaf 2:

In light green color:

Ch 6. In the next 5 St, place 1 SC, 1 SC, 2 HDC, 1 SC, 1 SC + Ch 2 + 1 SC (in the final St of row). Turn your work over and work along the bottom edge, placing 1 SC, 2 HDC, 1 SC, and 1 SC to match the opposite side. SlSt into the first SC of the round to connect and Ch 4 for the stem. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 10-inch tail for sewing your leaf onto your kitten's head.

Optional – Pawprints added to your braided ties:

Create them in light pink, black, or both to resemble real kitten paw pads.

Paw Pieces – Infant Hat (2 per paw):

Ch 2.

Round 1: Place 10 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt to the first HDC in the round to connect. Ch 1. (10 St)

Round 2: Place 1 HDC into the same St as Ch 1, 2 HDC into each St around, and 1 HDC into the final (tight) St. SlSt to the first HDC in the round to connect. Ch 1. (20 St)

Round 3: Place 1 HDC into the same St as Ch 1, 1 HDC into the next St, * 2 HDC into the next St, and 1 HDC into the next St *. Repeat the sequence from * to * to the end of the round. Place 1 HDC into the final (tight) St. SlSt to the first HDC in the round to connect. Ch 2. (30 St)

Toes: From your last *Ch 2, place 1 DC, 3 Tr, 1 DC, Ch 2, SlST into the first St. SlSt into the next 2 St *. Repeat the sequence from * to * three more times to create a total of 4 toes. After the last SlSt, Ch 1 and cut yarn.

Create a total of 4 paw pieces (2 front and 2 back). You have the option to create your kitten's paws according to the main color scheme of the hat, for example white or orange paws for the orange kitten, creating one paw in each color, or creating the front and back sides in different colors.

Paw Pieces – Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult Hat (2 per paw):

Ch 4. SlSt to the first Ch to create a magic circle.
Round 1: Place 12 HDC into the center of the circle, pull the circle tight, and SlSt to the first HDC in the round to connect. Ch 1. (12 St)

Round 2: Place 1 HDC into the same St as Ch 1 and 2 HDC into each St around. Place 1 HDC into the final (tight) St and SlSt to the first HDC in the round to connect. Ch 1. (24 St)

Round 3: Place 1 HDC into the same St as Ch 1, 1 HDC into the next St, * 2 HDC into the next St, and 1 HDC into the next St *. Repeat the sequence from * to * to the end of the round. Place 1 HDC into the final (tight) St. SlSt to the first HDC in the round to connect. Ch 2. (36 St)

Toes: From your last *Ch 2, place 1 DC, 4 Tr, 1 DC, Ch 2, SlST into the first St. SlSt into the next 2 St *. Repeat the sequence from * to * three more times to create a total of 4 toes. After the last SlSt, Ch 1 and cut yarn.

Create a total of 4 paw pieces (2 front and 2 back). You have the option to create your kitten's paws according to the main color scheme of the hat, for example white or orange paws for the orange kitten, or creating one paw in each color.

Small Paw Pads – Infant Hat (4 per paw):

Ch 2.
Place 5 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt to the first HDC in round to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 8-inch tail for sewing the small paw pad onto the top part of kitten's paw. (5 St)

Small Paw Pads – Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult Hat (4 per paw):

Ch 2.

Place 7 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt to the first HDC in round to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 8-inch tail for sewing the small paw pad onto the top part of kitten's paw. (7 St)

Center Paw Pad – Infant Hat (1 per paw):

Ch 2.

Round 1: Place 8 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt to the first HDC in round to connect. Ch 1.

Round 2: Place 2 HDC into the same St as Ch 1 and 2 HDC into the next St, 2 SC into each of the next 2 St, 3 HDC into the next (center) St, 2 SC into each of the next 2 St, 2 HDC into the next St, and 2 HDC into the final (tight) St. Ch 1 and SlSt into the same (final tight) St to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 12-inch tail for sewing the center paw pad onto the center of your kitten's paw.

Center Paw Pad - Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult Hat (1 per paw):

Ch 2.

Round 1: Place 8 HDC into the first Ch. SlSt to the first HDC in round to connect. Ch 2.

Round 2: Place 2 DC into the same St as Ch 1 and 2 DC into the next St, 2 HDC into each of the next 2 St, 3 DC into the next (center) St, 2 HDC into each of the next 2 St, 2 DC into the next St, and 2 DC into the final (tight) St. Ch 2 and SlSt into the same (final tight) St to connect. Ch 1. Cut yarn and leave an approximately 12-inch tail for sewing the center paw pad onto the center of your kitten's paw.

Repeat the procedures above once more to create two paws with pawprints for your kitten. Attach all paw pads on your kitten's paw (see photo reference), then take your front paw piece and place it on top of your back paw piece, SC around the edges of the paw until you reach the open top part on the opposite side. Ch 1, cut yarn, and leave an approximately 10-inch tail. Slip the open part of the paw over the bottom (stringy part) of your braided ties (you may face the paw pads to either the front or back) and, using an embroidery needle, stitch through the top stitches of the paw to close it up and secure it in place.

Assembling the Infant Kitten's paw:

Assembling the Toddler/Young Child/Older Child/Adult Kitten's paw:

Possible Final Versions of the Tuxedo Kitten hat:

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