

Football Applique

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I don't know about you but I am so excited that football season is upon us! We were watching some of the pre-season pro games this past weekend. (Have I mentioned that my son will be playing football for the first time in a little over a week?!) This little football applique is a really easy way to decorate any hat, blanket, or other item to show your love of football. Make hats and blankets in your favorite team's colors to really show off your team pride. The hat pictured is my [Basic Striped Beanie](#) which you can find by clicking [here](#) and I made it in the reigning super-bowl champ colors. 😊



Skill Level:

- Beginner

Materials:

- I-5.5 mm hook but you can use any hook and yarn to achieve the size and look you desire.
- Worsted Weight Yarn – I used I Love This Yarn by Hobby Lobby in brown and white. Less than 2 gram or 4 yards total for football. Less than 1 gram or 1 yard for laces.
- Yarn or Tapestry needle

Gauge:

- Not important. With the yarn and hook I used, the football was approximately 3.5" x 2"

Abbreviations and Stitches Used: (In US terminology)

- Ch – chain stitch
- Dc – double crochet
- Hdc – half double crochet
- Sc – single crochet
- Sl st – Slip Stitch
- St – stitch
- Trc – triple crochet

Pattern Notes:

- Pattern is written in US terms
- Read pattern in its entirety first

Pattern

With brown, ch 12

Sc in 2nd ch, *hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, trc in next 5 ch, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, sc in last ch.*

Turn (working stitches along the other side of foundation chain), sc in 1st ch, repeat from * to *.

Sl st into 1st sc. Finish off leaving a long tail for sewing.

For laces: Cut about a yard of white. With yarn needle, insert from wrong side of football through the middle of the foundation chain to the right side at the 3rd st (dc), pull yarn through.

Insert yarn needle back down through middle of the foundation chain at the dc on the other side of the football (yarn and needle should now be back on wrong side of football again).

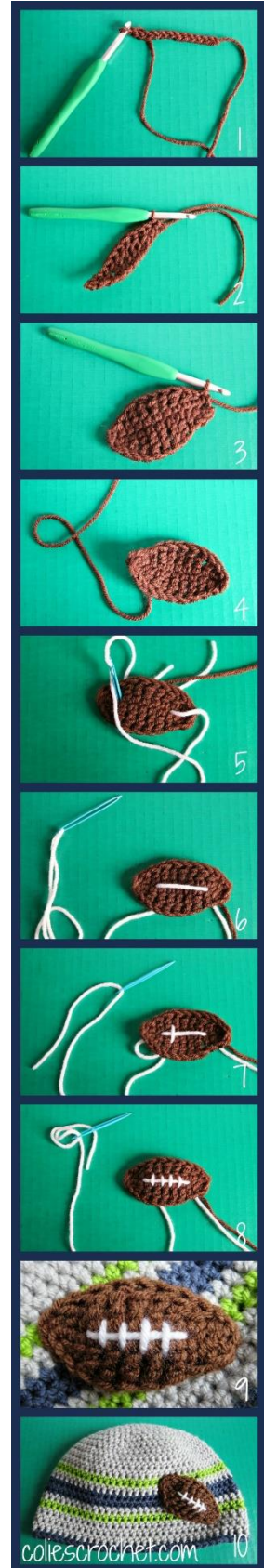
Then work 4 stitches up and over the first stitch in between each of the 5 trc in the football; worked perpendicular to the first stitch made.

Pull the stitches fairly tight. Finish off.

Finishing

Weave in all ends except for the long brown yarn left to sew onto hat, blanket or any other item.

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