

A little cat for your bathroom

An adjustable crochet sleeve with pointed ears, embroidered features, dangling paws and a softly curved tail. **U.S. crochet terminology** · **A4 printable tutorial**

Before you begin

This is an original, measurement-based adaptation developed from the supplied images, not a verified transcription of an existing pattern. It has not been physically sample-tested. Make a gauge swatch and check the fit on your own roll before sewing the parts together. The newly generated 3D illustrations explain construction; use the written counts for crocheting.

Materials and tools

Yarn: smooth medium-weight cotton, approximately 80-100 g cream, 10-15 g white, 5-10 g pink, plus black yarn for embroidery. Quantities are estimates and depend on yarn length per gram and roll size. Use the same yarn thickness for all crocheted pieces.

Tools: 3.5 mm hook to start, with nearby hook sizes for adjusting gauge; yarn needle; scissors; stitch markers; flexible tape measure; pins; a small amount of washable fiberfill; and the roll you want to cover. Embroidered eyes are used in this pattern.

Part	Approximate sample size
Roll used for calculations	34 cm / 13.4 in circumference; 10 cm / 3.9 in axial width
Sleeve rectangle before joining	33 cm / 13 in long × 10 cm / 3.9 in wide
Ears, paws and tail	Ears 3-3.5 cm high; paws about 3 cm across; tail about 15 cm long
Completed cat	About 27-29 cm / 10.6-11.4 in from ear tips to paw tips; varies with assembly

Construction: crochet the sleeve flat and seam it into an open-ended tube. Make ears separately. Work each paw and leg in one continuous piece, then make the tail and sew on all parts. The roll slides in through either open side.

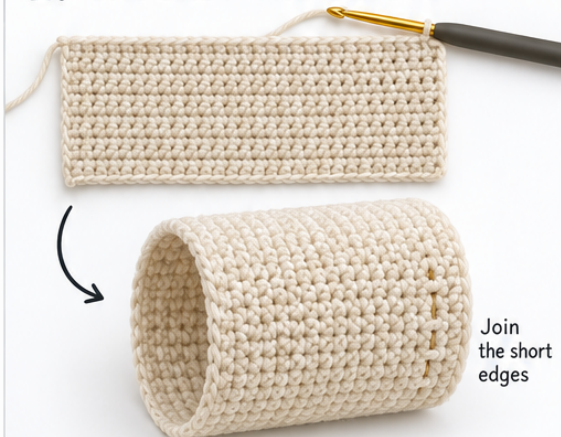
The project in six stages

Read the detailed instructions on the following pages before working each stage. Illustrations are not to scale.

1. MEASURE



2. CROCHET THE SLEEVE



3. MAKE TWO EARS



4. PAWS AND LEGS



5. MAKE THE TAIL



6. ASSEMBLE



Stitches, gauge and sizing

Abbreviation	Meaning
ch / st / sts	Chain / stitch / stitches
sc / sl st	Single crochet / slip stitch
inc	Work 2 sc in the same stitch; adds 1 stitch.
dec	Single crochet 2 stitches together; removes 1 stitch.
MR / rnd	Magic ring / round
(...) × n / [n]	Repeat the instructions n times / total stitch count.

How to work the key stitches

Single crochet: insert hook into the stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop; yarn over and pull through both loops. **Decrease:** insert hook into next stitch and pull up a loop, repeat in the following stitch; yarn over and pull through all 3 loops. For a less visible decrease on stuffed parts, pick up only the front loops of the next 2 stitches, yarn over and pull through both front loops, then yarn over and pull through 2 loops.

Magic ring: form an adjustable yarn loop, insert hook, pull up a loop and ch 1. Work the required sc around the loop and yarn tail; pull the tail firmly to close. Alternatively, ch 2 and work the first-round stitches into the second ch from the hook. Secure the center tail with the needle.

Measure and calculate

Target gauge: 20 sc and 22 rows = 10 × 10 cm / about 4 × 4 in, measured in relaxed single crochet. Make a swatch larger than 10 cm; measure the center. Your fabric should be dense enough to hold stuffing. Change hook size if necessary.

Measure **C**, the circumference around the paper, and **W**, the width along the cardboard tube. For a snug but removable sleeve, begin with a relaxed length **L = C minus 0.5-1 cm**. For stiff cotton, use less reduction. Trial-wrap the fabric: it should meet without crushing the roll.

Stitches per row = L × stitches per cm, rounded to a whole stitch; chain that number + 1. **Rows = W × rows per cm**, rounded. Example: (34 - 1) × 2 = 66 sc; 10 × 2.2 = 22 rows. If your gauge differs, use your measured values.

01 / Crochet the sleeve

Sample: cream yarn, 66 sc per row and 22 rows. The foundation runs around the roll; the accumulated rows cover its axial width. Replace these counts with your calculated values if needed.

Step	Instructions	Count
Foundation	Ch 67 loosely. Do not join.	67 ch
Row 1	Sc in the second ch from hook and in each remaining ch. Turn.	66 sc
Rows 2-22	Ch 1, sc in each st across. Turn after each row except the last.	66 sc each row

Keep the edges straight

The turning ch 1 never counts as a stitch. Work the first sc into the first stitch immediately below the turning chain, then work through both loops of every stitch. Mark the first and last sc until you can identify them easily. Count every row; an extra stitch creates a flared edge.

Check the rectangle before joining

After several rows, check the long dimension against the roll circumference. If it is too short or too long, change the foundation count now. At the final row, check the other dimension against the axial width of the roll. Add or remove rows so the sleeve reaches the sides without covering the circular faces.

Seam the two short edges

Fasten off with a 50 cm / 20 in tail. Wrap the long rectangle around the roll so the two short, row-end edges meet. Pin them temporarily, remove the roll, and align Row 1 with Row 1, Row 2 with Row 2, and so on. Whipstitch through matching row ends, taking one neat pass through each pair of rows. Keep the seam flexible and avoid bunching.

Turn the seam to the inside and place it underneath the roll. Both circular sides stay open; **do not crochet end caps**. Slip the roll back in and verify that the sleeve holds its shape but can be removed without tearing the paper. Weave in the tail for several centimeters in both directions.

Mark the front

With the seam at the bottom and the roll horizontal, mark the center of the curved surface that faces you. The ears will sit at the top, the legs on the lower front and the tail near the rear. Remove the roll before embroidering or sewing.

02 / Make the ears and face

Outer ears - make 2 in cream

Work flat from the broad base to the tip. Ch 8. Turning ch 1 does not count. Turn after Rows 1-5. Each dec uses 2 stitches from the previous row.

Row	Instructions	Count
1	Sc in second ch from hook and each ch across.	7
2	Ch 1, dec, sc in next 3 sts, dec.	5
3	Ch 1, sc in each st.	5
4	Ch 1, dec, sc in next st, dec.	3
5	Ch 1, sc in each st.	3
6	Ch 1, dec, sc in next st. Turn.	2
7	Ch 1, dec. Fasten off; leave a sewing tail.	1

Inner ears - make 2 in pink

Ch 6. **Row 1:** sc in second ch and each ch across [5]. **Row 2:** ch 1, turn, dec, sc 1, dec [3]. **Row 3:** ch 1, turn, sc 3 [3]. **Row 4:** ch 1, turn, dec, sc 1 [2]. **Row 5:** ch 1, turn, dec [1]. Fasten off. Center a pink triangle on each cream triangle, leaving a cream border. Sew the pink edges down with small stitches; do not stuff.

Embroider the expression

Insert the roll briefly to choose positions, then remove it. Place the eyes about 3-4 cm / 1.2-1.6 in apart, centered on the front. Use black yarn to make two small satin-stitched ovals, each about 5-6 mm across. Hide and secure all ends inside the sleeve.

Stitch a pink triangle about 1 cm / 0.4 in wide between the eyes, slightly lower. Outline it first, then fill it with parallel stitches. From its point, stitch a short vertical black line and two small curves for the mouth. Add 2 or 3 whiskers on each side, about 1.5-2 cm / 0.6-0.8 in long. Avoid pulling tightly enough to pucker the fabric.

Sew each ear base firmly onto the upper sleeve, spacing them evenly around the face. Catch several sleeve stitches along the base, then add a second line of stitches just behind it to help the ear stand.

03 / Paws and dangling legs

Make 2. Begin each paw in white. Work in a continuous spiral without joining or turning. Place a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up as you go. Stuff the paw lightly before the opening narrows.

Round	Instructions	Count
1	Work 6 sc in MR; tighten the ring.	6
2	Inc in every st.	12
3	(Sc 1, inc) × 6.	18
4-6	Sc in every st for 3 rounds.	18
7	(Sc 1, dec) × 6. Add small tufts of stuffing.	12
8	(Sc 1, dec) × 4.	8
9-30	Change to cream; sc in every st for 22 rounds.	8

Change color neatly

On the last sc of Round 8, stop with 2 loops on the hook. Yarn over with cream and pull through both loops. Continue Round 9 in cream. Secure the white and cream tails inside the paw. Do not add a chain at the color change.

Control the length and softness

The cream portion should be approximately 10 cm / 4 in long at the target row gauge. Actual spiral-round height can differ from flat-row gauge: measure the tube and add or remove cream rounds as needed. Match the second leg to the first by both length and round count.

Place very small tufts of fiberfill in the lower leg as you work, using the blunt end of a tool if helpful. Leave the upper 2 cm / 0.8 in unstuffed so the leg can bend naturally over a shelf. Too much stuffing makes the leg stiff and can show through the stitches.

Close and attach

After the final round, sl st into the next stitch and fasten off with a 30 cm / 12 in tail. Flatten the 8-stitch opening into 4 pairs. Sew through each pair to close it. Keep the tail for attaching the leg. Repeat for the second leg.

Pin the closed tops at the lower front of the sleeve, about 4-5 cm / 1.6-2 in apart, with the paws hanging at equal heights. Remove the roll. Sew each top across several sleeve stitches, then reinforce with a second pass. Keep the inside seam tidy so the roll can slide in easily.

04 / Tail and final assembly

Crochet the tail from the tip

Start in pink and work in continuous rounds. Use the same marker method as for the paws. The open cream end will be attached to the body.

Round	Instructions	Count
1	Work 5 sc in MR; tighten the ring.	5
2	Inc in every st.	10
3-5	Sc in each st.	10
6-33	Change to cream; sc in each st for 28 rounds.	10

Change colors on the last pull-through of Round 5. Add tiny amounts of stuffing as the tube grows. Measure from tip to open end: aim for approximately 15 cm / 6 in, adjusting the number of cream rounds as needed. Sl st in the next stitch and fasten off with a 40 cm / 16 in sewing tail.

Give the tail a gentle curve

Do not use wire. Bend the softly stuffed tube into a C shape. With matching cream yarn, take a few small gathering stitches along the inner curve, pulling only enough to encourage the bend. Secure the yarn. The tail should remain flexible; it will not be rigid or freely poseable.

Flatten the open end into 5 pairs of stitches and sew closed. Pin it low on the back of the sleeve, near one side, so the curve can rest on the shelf and the pink tip remains visible. Remove the roll and sew through the closed end and several sleeve stitches. Reinforce the attachment with a second line of stitches.

Check the complete cat

Reinsert the roll. Set it on a dry shelf with the legs dangling over the edge. Check that the seam is underneath, ears are balanced, the face is centered and both paws hang evenly. Adjust pinned positions before tightening any final stitches. Weave all tails back and forth through the wrong side of the fabric.

Using the holder: this sleeve decorates and stores a spare roll. Slide the roll out when you need it, or remove the cover before placing the roll on a dispenser. Replace the roll through either open end. Do not sew through the paper or cardboard.

Finishing, care and print notes

Fit checks and simple fixes

What you notice	What to change
Sleeve crushes the roll	Increase its long dimension by adding foundation stitches; do not force the fit.
Sleeve rotates or sags	Reduce the long dimension by a few stitches, or reseat with a small, even overlap.
Circular sides are covered	Remove some rows; the row count controls axial width.
Stuffing is visible	Use a smaller hook for the stuffed parts or reduce stuffing; recheck dimensions.
Ears fall forward	Reinforce the base with a second seam behind the first, or use a slightly smaller hook.
Uneven legs	Compare cream-round counts and stuffing amounts; adjust before attaching.

Care

Remove the paper roll before cleaning. Follow the yarn label for washing; if suitable, hand wash gently in cool water, press out water in a towel and reshape. Dry fully before inserting a new roll. Avoid stretching the wet legs or tail. This is a decorative household accessory, not a toy.

How to use the final reference diagram

The last page contains the **user-supplied diagram, unchanged**, on its own page apart from the required footer. It is useful for overall placement and appearance, but has no reliable row-by-row construction sequence and includes stitch groups that differ from this written adaptation. Do not count its drawn symbols as exact stitch totals.

For making this version, follow the written tables, gauge and fit checks on pages 3-7. The diagram lists approximately 26 cm height and 20 cm width; these are visual reference dimensions, not guaranteed finished measurements for the instructions here. Your roll, gauge, leg length and tail position determine the finished size.

Print for your workbasket

Print on A4 paper at 100% or Actual Size. The diagram is a reference illustration, not a life-size template. Keep the stitch tables beside you and mark completed rows with a pencil. All measurements are approximate; 1 in = 2.54 cm. The highlighted footer text opens the AllFree Patterns website in the digital PDF.

Final checklist: snug removable sleeve; two secure ears; two equal legs; gently curved tail; firm embroidery; no loose ends; completely dry fabric.

Cat Toilet Paper Holder Crochet Diagram

STITCH LEGEND (U.S. TERMS)

- = chain (ch)
- = slip stitch (sl st)
- × = single crochet (sc)
- ⋈ = half double crochet (hdc)
- ⋈ = double crochet (dc)
- ∨ = increase (2 sc in same stitch)
- ^ = decrease (sc2tog)
- ⋈ = 3 dc in same stitch
- = safety eye (not a stitch)

Total Height
(approx.)
10.2 in
(26 cm)

Tail Length
(approx.)
5.9 in (15 cm)

Total Width (approx.) 7.9 in (20 cm)



Complete Crochet Diagram Cat Toilet Paper Holder

All pieces and assembly shown in one diagram.
Follow the symbols to create your own!