

## Materials Needed

Unbleached Muslin  
Black, Orange & Brown Craft Acrylic Paints  
Jute String

Beige Embroidery Floss  
Basic Sewing Needs  
Your Choice of Stuffing  
Coffee Staining Mixture  
(Recipe Included)

Ground Cinnamon

Old Cookie Sheet lined with Aluminum Foil  
Old Paintbrush or Sponge brush for staining  
Old Pan or glass bowl for painting  
Sponge brush for painting  
Rubber Gloves

Rusty Safety Pins

Rusty Squarehead Nails  
(You can get these on eBay)

20 Gauge Rusty Wire to make the  
"Springy" things

(You can get all of your rusty needs  
at [rustytin.com](http://rustytin.com))

Hot Glue Gun

Hot Glue Stick

Spanish Moss

Twigs (Optional)

Dried Grass (Optional)

Stick for Pumpkin Stem

(You can get this right out of your yard)

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Primitive Gungy Witch Hat  
On A Pumpkin With Crows  
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Primitive Grungy Dirty Fall Halloween Pumpkin With Witch  
Hat On Top & Crows Pattern ©2007

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Thank you for purchasing my pattern! You will love making this awesome Pumpkin & witch hat!!!! It is so easy to make, and you will just LOVE the results!!! ...The 1<sup>st</sup> thing you need to do is get all of your materials ready! Fabric, paint, etc...Mix up your coffee staining mixture (Recipe Included)....and you might as well go on and preheat your oven to about 250-300 degrees & plug in your hot glue gun! .....Now let's get started ;)

Pumpkin:

You need to cut 2 pieces of unbleached muslin fabric. Measure them out to be 14" tall and 19" wide. Using the pattern piece as your guide, machine stitch on both sides, leaving the bottom and top open. Now do a running gathering stitch across the bottom, just go in and out and in and out till you get it all gathered and tie off your thread to secure it. I like to use upholstery thread, or embroidery thread for gathering to be sure that it stays in place. After you have it gathered and tied off at the bottom, turn it RSO (Right Side Out). Now stuff it good and tight!!! Stuff it almost to the top of the pumpkin, but leave about 2" so you can gather it with a running stitch. Do the same thing at the top after stuffing as you did at the bottom. Be sure to gather it good and tight, but leave an opening so that you can get your pumpkin stem inside of it.. Tie off your thread when you are finished gathering. You now have your pumpkin....What you need to do now, is take some jute string and tie it as shown in the pattern picture. Pull it as tight as you can get it, and tie it in a knot so it is secure and won't come untied.....This will give the pumpkin that sculpted look. At this point, make sure your oven is on and preheated to about 250-300 degrees...You can also dry your pumpkin out in the sun...either will be just fine...I prefer to do mine in my oven....but it is totally up to you! Now get your glass bowl or old pan to do some color washing in! Put those rubber gloves on now...Your hands will get messy ....Get your Orange craft paint..... mix about 5 tablespoons of the orange paint & about  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon of brown craft paint with about 2 cups of your coffee staining (Recipe Included) mixture into the mix. Mix them all together with a sponge brush, then brush your entire pumpkin! Be sure to get into all the folds of the fabric on your pumpkin.....Sprinkle the pumpkin all over with some ground cinnamon, then put it on an old cookie sheet lined with aluminum foil and in the oven to dry....be sure to watch it closely!!! Don't want it to burn up ;)

Crows:

This is an easy crow! Trace him as shown on the pattern piece, then machine stitch him up, and leave an opening as shown on the pattern piece to turn him RSO and stuff him. After you have him stitched up, turn him RSO and stuff him nice and tight! Hand stitch the opening closed where you turned and stuffed him.....Paint him in "Black" craft paint, sprinkle him with ground cinnamon all over, then put him on an old cookie sheet lined with aluminum foil and put him in the oven to dry! Do this for every crow you make.....I made 2 crows to go on mine, but you can make as many as you want ;).....

### Witch Hat:

Tape the witch hat pattern piece A to the witch hat pattern piece B...Trace your pattern piece onto your muslin fabric....Use the tracing lines as your sewing lines, so cut out a little above the tracing lines so you have plenty of room.....Get everything stitched up on the sewing machine....For the brim of the witch hat, ....cut a slit in the middle of the hat brim through ONE LAYER ONLY! Now turn it RSO (Right Side Out)....If you want to, you can press it now with an iron to make sure that it is nice and flat....Now take the top of your witch hat, turn it ROS and stuff it lightly..You don't want to stuff it too tight....now place it over the slit that you cut on the hat brim, then hand stitch it on...just stitch through the one layer of fabric on your hat brim....this way you won't have any stitches on the bottom of your hat when you are finished)...Just go in and out till you get it hand stitched securely onto the brim of the hat! Now get your hat and get it ready to paint! Mix about 1 tablespoon of black craft paint to about 1 cup of the coffee staining mixture and sponge brush the entire hat....be SURE you get the bottom of the brim....just make sure there is no white showing when you are finished ;).....now sprinkle it with some ground cinnamon and put it in the oven to dry!

### Assembly & Finishing Touches:

Ok, now get your pumpkin and get the stick for the stem that you've chosen. I found a stick for mine that one of my crows could sit on at the top...but you do NOT have to do that.....totally up to you, and depending on what you can find to work with.... Get your hot glue gun and glue stick and put some hot glue inside of the hole for the stem of the pumpkin, then put the pumpkin stick down in the hole and give it a few twists and make sure it stands up good and secure! Get the crows you've made and poke small holes as indicated on the pattern piece for their rusty nail feet....I poke holes in mine with the rusty nail, then add a drop of hot glue inside the hole or on the end of the rusty nail, then put the nail inside of the hole and give it a twist or two to make sure it is secure...Hot glue dries real fast too, so be sure you have your crow feet how you want them and in the right direction ;).....When the hot glue is dried, sprinkle your crow all over once more with cinnamon....this will also cover any hot glue that might be on the bottom of the crow where his rusty nail feet were inserted.....sometimes the glue will come out, but the cinnamon covers it perfectly ;).....place one of your crows on the pumpkin and make some holes in the pumpkin with rusty nail feet, then put some hot glue in the hole, then put your crows rusty nail feet in the holes before the glue dries! You can wire the other crow on the top of the stem like I've done, or put it on the witch hat after you add it.....;).....Get the witch hat and get your black embroidery thread, then hand stitch it to the pumpkin.....Poke some holes in the hat here and there, then poke some moss in the holes for a REALLY OLD look...;)...You can also poke holes in your pumpkin and do the same thing with the moss if you want.....take some sticks or twigs and wire them to the pumpkin stem so they'll stay put, or you can add any kind of drieds you want to....get some more moss and some dried grass and put it all around the stem like I've done.....You might want to add some hot glue around it before you put the moss down so it will stay put....Now get a rusty bell and a rusty safety pin and pin a rusty bell to the tip of the witch hat...pin some rusty safety pins here and there if you want.....it is

PRIMITIVE...you can do what you want to ;).....make it yours! You can take some of the 20 gauge rusty wire and twist it around a pencil to make the "Springy" things...I am not sure what those things would be called, ;) SO I always call them "Springy" things ;).....then when you get a few of them made just wire them around the pumpkin stem! Add things to it, or

take away! Just HAVE FUN!!!! ;)

Sprinkle EVERYTHING with MORE ground cinnamon, and you are FINISHED!

Wasn't that easy????

**I hope you had fun using my pattern!**

**PLEASE remember to give me credit as the original pattern designer, even if you alter the pattern in ANY WAY....you still MUST give me credit as the original designer of the pattern! ;)**

**THANK YOU AGAIN for purchasing my pattern!!!!**

Any questions at all, feel free to email me at [airxson@peoplestel.net](mailto:airxson@peoplestel.net) and I will do my best to answer any questions you might have!

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Extreme Primitive Dirty Grungy Fall Halloween Pumpkin With Witch Hat on Top & crows  
Pattern

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\*~How To Stain~\*  
Coffee/Tea Mixture Recipe

5 tbsp. of Instant Coffee for each cup of HOT water. This makes a good DARK stain! (I use the Wal-Mart brand of instant coffee because if you are like me, and use a LOT of stain, it will get expensive if you use the name brand instant coffee! The generic is PERFECT for primmin' ☺)

You can also use about 4 Teabags per 1 cup of hot water!

Add about 1 tbsp of cinnamon to your coffee or tea mixture while it is still hot! This way the cinnamon will dissolve. Add some Vanilla Extract...(Mexican Vanilla is AWESOME for this!!!!) I use an old coffee pot to mix my staining solution in, and it STAYS on my counter!! I use a TON of stain! It will keep just fine sitting out all week on your counter, just be sure to cover it up when you are not using it, or you can cover it and put it in the frig. After your mixture has sat for a while and cooled off, you will have some AWESOME "sludge" grungy goop in the bottom, this is a GOOD thing! No need to throw it out if you see this...USE it!!! Pick some of it up with your brush and put it on your primitives!!! You want an uneven stain anyway, so this is a good thing ☺ You can add candle scents to your coffee mixture also! (You can buy candle scents at any crafting store like Hobby Lobby, or Joann's. You can also buy some really good smelling candle scents off of eBay!!!)

I like to use an old paintbrush or a sponge brush to brush my staining mixture on...It covers real good ☺

Walnut Ink Crystals are also great for staining!!! I like to stain my tags with this! You can buy Walnut ink crystals off of Ebay, and a little of this goes a LONG way!!! You will use about 1 tsp of walnut ink to about 1 cup of hot water! I like to add my walnut ink mixture to a spray bottle, (You can get one of these at any Wal-Mart or craft store). Then you can spray your primitive crafts! If you choose to use walnut ink, it takes less time to dry. I usually use the walnut ink to do my primitive tags. It is the BEST way to make tags that you are going to stamp something on, because you won't have the gritty cinnamon on your tags that can mess up your stamps.

Dry your primitives in the oven....Set your oven temp to about 250-300 degrees....Place your prim project on an old cookie sheet....One that you don't mind getting paint on, if you are painting something. You can also get some aluminum foil, or freezer paper and line your cookie sheet, it makes clean up SO much easier!!! ☺ Be sure to WATCH your stuff CLOSELY in the oven so it doesn't burn....I check my stuff about once every 5 to 7 minutes until it is completely dry.

\*\*Tip: You can spray your finished product with primitive room sprays, too! Your customers will LOVE getting something that smells good!! You can get all kinds of primitive room sprays on eBay!

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19"

Running / Gathering  
Handstitch

Cut 2 pieces from  
Unbleached Muslin



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14"

machine stitch

Running / gathering  
Handstitch

machine stitch

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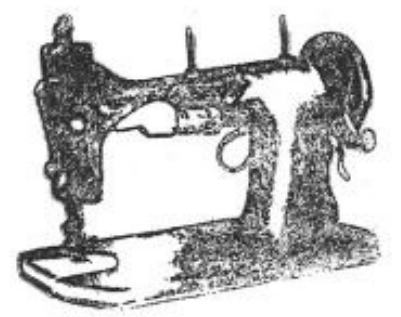
Top of  
Witch hat

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A

Cut 2 pieces  
from muslin fabric

Paint in  
Black  
lightly  
+ stuff



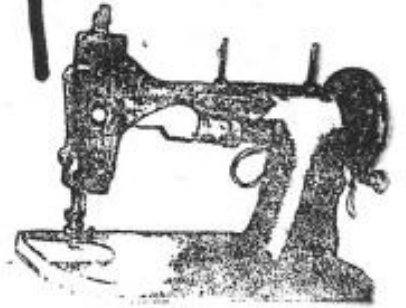
↓ Tape to  
Witch hat  
piece B

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TAP

↑ Tape to  
Witch hat  
piece A

(B)

↙ Leave bottom of Witch  
Hat open!

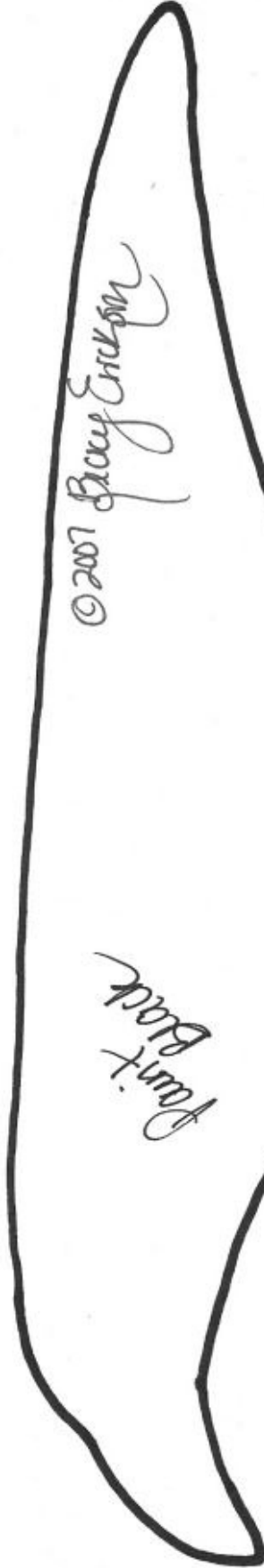


Brim of  
Witch Hat  
Cut 2 pieces from  
Muslin fabric

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cut a slit  
through one layer only  
for  
turning  
P.S.O

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Paint Black

Leave open for turning + stuffing

poke 2 holes for pushy feet

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