



Bottle gnome

(e. g. for gift decoration)

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Materials:

The listed wool and hook sizes are only suggestions. It is, of course, entirely your personal choice, which yarn you use.

Please keep in mind that different yarn may result in a bigger or smaller piece. Make sure to adapt your hook size according to your yarn and personal tension.

- Wool (Sport) e. g. Schachenmayr Catania/Scheepjes Catona (green, red, some skin color, red and white)
- Fancy yarn, e. g. Schachenmayr Brazilia for the beard
- Glittering thread
- Crochet hook in suitable size (with me: 2 mm, 2.2 mm and 3 mm)
- Stuffing

Abbreviations (US Terms):

MR = magic ring

inc = increase

sc = single crochet

dec = decrease

dc = double crochet

BLO = back loop only

ch = chain

FLO = front loop only

slst = slip stitch

bs = bobble stitch / cluster stitch

st = stitch

dsc = drop single crochet - insert hook 1 round deeper as usual and sc

(-) x = repeat inside of () for x nr of times

Crochet in continuous rounds (spirals), unless otherwise stated.

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Special stitch: bobble stitch (Video is [here](#)):

Wrap the yarn around the hook, insert hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull through, yarn over and pull through 2 loops on hook - this unfinished double crochet is ready for now and there should remain 2 loops on your hook now. Start the next unfinished double crochet: wrap the yarn around the hook, insert hook in the **same** stitch as before, yarn over and pull through, yarn over and pull through 2 loops on hook, there should remain 3 loops on hook now. Repeat this until you have made the required number of unfinished double crochet stitches (usually 5 - so you have 6 loops on hook), finally yarn over and pull the yarn through all loops in one go, tighten and sc 1 in next stitch. Usually the bobble is on the wrong side, the back side now. No problem, just push it to the front. You can also push the bobble to the front while crocheting the single crochet.



The size of the tree can vary depending on the wool/hook used, your personal tension and - of course - the size of the bottle. These must be adapted by crocheting more or less rounds. The crocheted circle before the FLO round must have the diameter of the bottle neck so that the inner part fits over it. The length of the inner part must also be adapted to the length of the bottle neck.

Tree (Inner part):

Has to fit on the bottle neck - adapt if necessary.

The nice site points inwards.

Green

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 7, inc) x3 (27)
6. **FLO:** sc in each st around (27)
- 7.-26. (20 Rounds) sc in each st around (27)
27. (sc 8, inc) x3 (30)
28. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
29. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)
30. (sc 6, inc) x6 (48)
31. (sc 7, inc) x6 (54)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Here too: The size of the tree can vary depending on the wool/hook used, your personal tension and - of course - the size of the bottle. These must be adapted by crocheting more or less rounds.



The outer part of the tree must fit comfortably over the inner part and the last round of single crochet stitches must have exactly as many stitches as the last round of the inner part.

Tree (Outer part):

Has to fit over the inner part - adapt if necessary.

The nice site points inwards.

Green

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. (sc 1, inc) x3 (9)
3. sc in each st around (9)
4. (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)
5. sc in each st around (12)
6. (sc 3, inc) x3 (15)
7. sc in each st around (15)
8. (sc 4, inc) x3 (18)
9. sc in each st around (18)
10. (sc 5, inc) x3 (21)
11. sc in each st around (21)
12. (sc 6, inc) x3 (24)
13. sc in each st around (24)
14. (sc 7, inc) x3 (27)
15. sc in each st around (27)
16. (sc 8, inc) x3 (30)
- 17.-18. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)
19. (sc 9, inc) x3 (33)
- 20.-21. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (33)
22. (sc 10, inc) x3 (36)
- 23.-24. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (36)
25. (sc 11, inc) x3 (39)
- 26.-27. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (39)
28. (sc 12, inc) x3 (42)
- 29.-30. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (42)
31. (sc 13, inc) x3 (45)
- 32.-33. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (45)
34. (sc 14, inc) x3 (48)
- 35.-37. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (48)
38. (sc 15, inc) x3 (51)
- 39.-41. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (51)
42. (sc 16, inc) x3 (54)
43. sc in each st around (54)
44. *FLO: (slst 1, skip 1, dc 5 in next st, skip 1, slst 1) <- repeat until the end of the round*

Fasten off, weave in loose ends.

Golden tinsel garland:

Glittering thread

Crochet in rows. At the end of each row, chain 1 and turn.

1. ch 301 (*wrap around the tree to check the length - adapt if necessary*), starting in 2nd chain





from hook: sc 2 in each st until the end of the row

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Wrap the tinsel garland in spirals around the tree and secure it with the end thread. It does not have to be sewn very nicely, you cannot see the stitches later, they'll be inside (see photo).

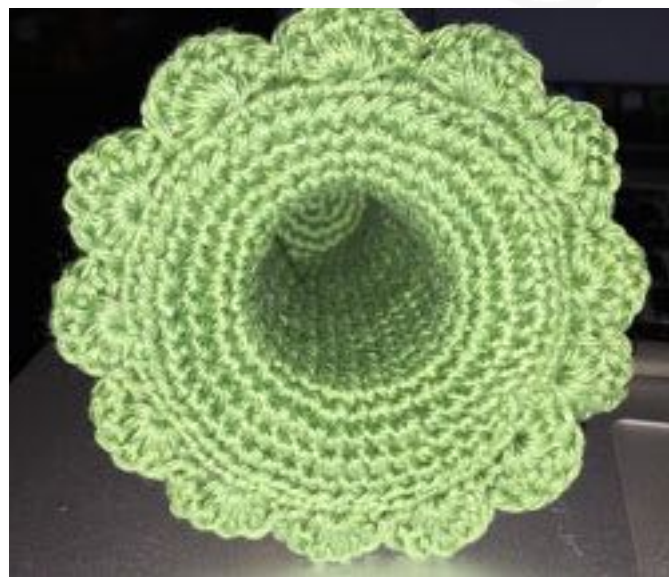
Now stuff the tip of the tree, insert the inner part into the outer part (the easiest way to do this is to use the bottle). Fill the spaces between the outer and inner parts evenly with the stuffing but do not overstuff to keep the straight shape of the tree. Here too: the easiest

way to do this is to leave the parts on the bottle.

Then sew the two pieces together (free loops of the sc round of the outer part and both loop of the last round of the inner part) one stitch after each other stitch using the thread of the inner part.



From below the tree looks like this now:



Gnome

Body / Head:

Red, crocheted bottom up.

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
6. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
7. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)
8. (sc 6, inc) x6 (48)
- 9.-13. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (48)
14. (sc 6, dec) x6 (42)
15. sc in each st around (42)
16. (sc 5, dec) x6 (36)
17. sc in each st around (36)
18. (sc 4, dec) x6 (30)
19. sc in each st around (30)
20. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)
21. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
22. (loose) slst in each st around (18)

Change to skin color if you want, but it's not really necessary because the head is invisible later.

Stuff and shape the body.

23. **BLO:** (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
24. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
- 25.-31. (7 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)
32. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)
33. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
34. (sc 1, dec) x6 (12)

Stuff and shape the head.

35. dec x6 (6)

Fasten off, weave in loose ends.

Nose:

Skin color

1. sc 5 in MR (5)
2. inc x5 (10)
3. (sc 1, inc) x5 (15)
- 4.-8. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)
9. (sc 1, dec) x5 (10)

Stuff and shape the nose.

10. dec x5 (5)

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Foot (make 2):

Black

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
- 4.-6. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (18)
7. (sc 4, dec) x3 (15)
- 8.-9. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)
10. (sc 1, dec) x5 (10)
- 11.-12. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (10)

Stuff the front, fold the top edge together and seam using a single crochet along the top edge, crocheting through both stitches.



Hand / Arm (make 2):

Red

1. sc 6 in MR (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
- 3.-4. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (12)
5. bs (using dc 5 - *see instructions above*), sc 11 (12)
6. (sc 2, dec) x3 (9)
7. sc in each st around (9)
8. *FLO*: (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)
9. sc in each st around (12)

Stuff the hand.

- 10.-16. (7 Rounds) sc in each st around (12)

Fold the top edge together and mark the stitch in the next fold, sc until you reach the marker. Fold again the top edge together and seam using a single crochet along the top edge, crocheting through both stitches. Do not stuff the arm.

Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.

Edge of the mitten:

Contrasting color

1. *FLO of round 8*: (sc 2, inc) x3, join round with a slst in 1st st, ch 1 (12)
2. (sc 3, inc) x3, join round with a slst in 1st st (15)

Fasten off, weave in loose ends.

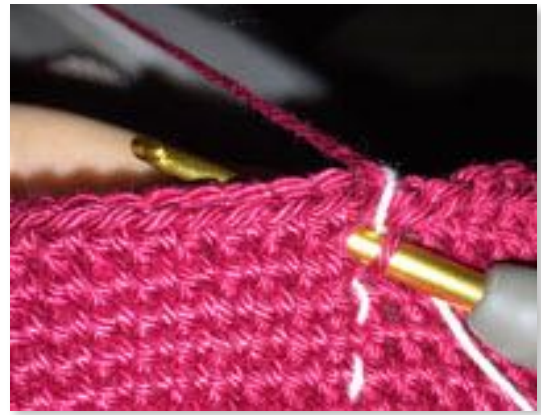


Cap:

Main color

1. sc 4 in MR (4)
2. (sc 1, inc) x2 (6)
- 3.-5. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (6)
6. (sc 1, inc) x3 (9)
- 7.-9. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (9)
10. (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)
- 11.-13. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (12)
14. (sc 3, inc) x3 (15)
- 15.-17. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (15)
18. (sc 4, inc) x3 (18)

- 19.-21. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (18)
 22. (sc 5, inc) x3 (21)
 23.-24. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (21)
 25. (sc 6, inc) x3 (24)
 26.-27. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (24)
 28. (sc 7, inc) x3 (27)
 29.-30. (2 Rounds) sc in each st around (27)
 31. (sc 8, inc) x3 (30)
 32. sc in each st around (30)
 33. (sc 9, inc) x3 (33)
 34. sc in each st around (33)
 35. (sc 10, inc) x3 (36)
 36. sc in each st around (36)
 37. (sc 11, inc) x3 (39)
 38. sc in each st around (39)
 39. (sc 12, inc) x3 (42)
 40.-42. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (42)
In next round crochet drop single crochet (dsc) - insert hook 1 round deeper as usual (see pictures)
 43. dsc in each st around (42)
 Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.



Beard:

Fancy yarn (white)

Crochet in rows. At the end of each row, chain 1 and turn.

With the beard you have to see for yourself how best to get there in length. I always crochet the beard bottom up, because increases are nicer than decreases.

First ch 2 and sc 2 in 2nd chain from hook, ch 1, turn. From now on always do 2 rows „sc in each st“ and each 3rd round increase the outer stitches (1 left, 1 right), so that you have two increases in every 3rd row.

When you have crochet about half of the beard, there is only one row of sc between the increases until the beard reaches from the bottom to directly under the nose (or your desired length) and is so wide that it extends around half the head. Now make 3 more rows of sc, fasten off, weave in loose ends.

Use a comb or brush to comb out the threads of the fancy wool on one side.

Fertigstellung:

Pin all single parts to the body. The nose is placed approximately in the middle of the face, the beard directly underneath. The cap is directly on the nose, nothing of the head is visible. Now pin the feet at the bottom of the body, the arms to the side of the body directly under the head, make sure that the thumbs are pointing forward. When all looks good for you, sew on the pieces.

Once the gnome is sewn together, he will be sewn to the tree with a few stitches in the same color as the body part to be fastened. I attached it to three points, the hand, the foot and the back of the body.



Enjoy crocheting! :o)

