

# Gnome

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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.*

- Any wool you like in any color but use wool of similar thickness
- Some fancy yarn for the beard (e. g. Schachenmayr Brazilia)
- Crochet hook in suitable size
- Stuffing

## **Abbreviations (US Terms):**

MR = magic ring

inc = increase

sc = single crochet

dec = decrease

ch = chain

BLO = back loop only

slst = slip stitch

FLO = front loop only

st = stitch

bs = bobble stitch / cluster 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.*

*For help with invisible color changes, increases and decreases, please visit the „Tips, Tricks and Tutorials“ section on my website [www.zhaya.de](http://www.zhaya.de).*

**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.



**Body / Head:**

*Color of choice*

1. sc 8 in MR (8)
2. inc x8 (16)
3. (sc 1, inc) x8 (24)
4. (sc 2, inc) x8 (32)
5. (sc 3, inc) x8 (40)
6. (sc 4, inc) x8 (48)
7. **BLO**: sc in each st around (48)
- 8.-12. (5 Rounds) sc in each st around (48)
13. (sc 6, dec) x6 (42)
- 14.-15. (2 Rounds) 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 in each st around (24)
22. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)
23. (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, take care to make the bottom as flat as possible.*

24. **BLO**: (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
25. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
- 26.-32. (7 Rounds) sc in each st around (30)
33. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)

34. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)

*Stuff and shape the head.*

35. (sc 1, dec) x6 (12)

36. dec x6 (6)

*Fasten off, weave in loose ends.*

### **Foot (make 2):**

*Contrasting color*

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 1, dec) x6 (12)

*Loosely 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):**

*Main color*

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. *BLO*: (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)

9. sc in each st around (12)

*Stuff the hand.*

10.-17. (8 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 1<sup>st</sup> st, ch 1 (12)

2. (sc 3, inc) x3, join round with a slst in 1<sup>st</sup> st (15)

*Fasten off, weave in loose ends.*

### **Nose:**

*Skin color*

1. sc 5 in MR (5)

2. inc x5 (10)

3. (sc 4, inc) x2 (12)

4.-6. (3 Rounds) sc in each st around (12)

7. (sc 4, dec) x2 (10)

*Stuff and shape the nose.*

8. dec x5 (5)

*Fasten off, leave a long tail for sewing.*



## **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 in color of choice*

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

## Assembling:

*Now sew 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.*

*The nose is sewn on approximately in the middle of the face, the beard directly underneath. Finally, put on the cap so that it sits exactly over the nose (you can't see any eyes or face) and sew it to the head with the cap thread.*

*Finished is your gnome :o)*

