Christmas angel doll

US terms



Finished size
About 8 in (20.5 cm) tall and 6¼ in (16 cm) across the wings

Skill
Intermediate
21 pieces worked in rounds and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 7 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

What you need

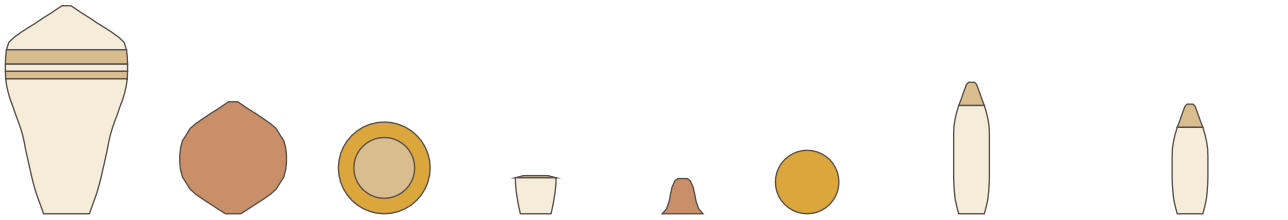
Yarn A: ivory, the main color	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: champagne, several of the pieces	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: almond, head and hand	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: chestnut brown, hair cap, hair bun and front lock	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: gold, several of the pieces	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: dark brown, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: rose, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 190 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

The pieces



Gown
Head to the gown
Collar
Sleeve x 2 to the gown
Hand x 2
Star x 2
Long feather x 2 to the gown
Middle feather x 2 to the gown

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Short feather x 2
to the gown



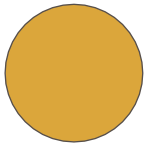
Hair cap



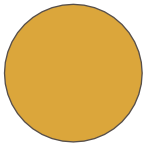
Hair bun
to the hair cap



Front lock x 2



Halo front



Halo back

Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Notes

- Every piece is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up.
- Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.
- Color change: where a line begins "With B," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in B. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side.
- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Head: the center line runs between stitches 21 and 22 of round 8 (42 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Hair cap: the center line runs between stitches 21 and 22 of round 10 (42 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Gown: the center line runs between stitches 24 and 25 of round 8 (48 sts). It faces the front.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the doll. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- Running stitches go in and out along a line.
- In every step of putting it together: where a piece meets or overlaps another, sew through both. Where no tail is left or a tail is too short, sew with a new length of the yarn of the piece you are putting on.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- No plastic eyes are used: every detail is worked in yarn.
- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, ovals, details) are for Standard, the size written here: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): 6 in (15 cm) tall and 4¾ in (12 cm) across the wings; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.

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- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): 11½ in (29 cm) tall and 9 in (23 cm) across the wings; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn.
- Jumbo: super bulky (6, plush or velvet) yarn, 6.5 mm (K-10½) hook, 11 sc and 12.1 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): 14½ in (37 cm) tall and 11¼ in (28.5 cm) across the wings; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **MR** magic ring, **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
sc2tog 2 sc made into one, **hdc2tog** 2 hdc made into one. **BLO**: only the loop away from you. **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

bobble: [yarn over, insert hook in the stitch, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 4 times in the same stitch, yarn over, pull through all 5 loops (United Kingdom: a bobble of 4 trebles). Push it out to the right side.

Gown

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; B, champagne.

Round 1 is the middle of the base.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(48 sc)
	Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 24 and 25 of round 8. It faces the front.	
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in BLO of each st around	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	With B, **[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 24 times**	(48 sts)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	With A, sc in each st around	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	With B, **[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 24 times**	(48 sts)
☐ **Rnd 14**	With A, sc in each st around	(48 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 11 sts**] 2 times**	(46 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 21 sts**] 2 times**	(44 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc in next 20 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts**] 2 times**	(40 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 18 sts**] 2 times**	(38 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc in next 17 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	(34 sc)
☐ **Rnd 22**	Sc2tog, sc in next 32 sts	(33 sc)
☐ **Rnd 23**	Sc in next 31 sts, sc2tog	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 24**	Sc in next 15 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 15 sts	(31 sc)
☐ **Rnd 25**	Sc2tog, sc in next 29 sts	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 27**	Sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 13 sts	(27 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	Sc2tog, sc in next 25 sts	(26 sc)
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	(22 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts**] 2 times**	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 32**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 18 in (46 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Head

Yarn C, almond.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)

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Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 21 and 22 of round 8. It faces the front, round 1 at the top.

☐ **Rnds 9 to 13** 9 10 11 12 13	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

Stuff firmly now, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

Collar

Yarns in order of use: B, champagne; E, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 18; being careful not to twist the chain, sl st in the first ch to form a ring. Round 1 begins in that same ch.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in each ch around	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 hdc in each st around	(36 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	With E, sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge. Fasten off and weave in the ends. Do not stuff.	

Sleeve: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, champagne; A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 16; being careful not to twist the chain, sl st in the first ch to form a ring. Round 1 begins in that same ch.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in each ch around	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3** 2 3	With A, hdc in each st around	(16 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**hdc in next 6 sts, hdc2tog**] 2 times**	(14 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Hdc in each st around	(14 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**hdc in next 5 sts, hdc2tog**] 2 times**	(12 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

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Hand: make 2

Yarn C, almond.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnds 3 to 5** 3 4 5	Sc in each st around	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(16 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff rounds 1 to 5 lightly. Round 6 turns out flat, like a brim.	

Star: make 2

Yarn E, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	5 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(5 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**3 sc in next st**] 5 times**	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 5 times**	(25 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc2tog, 3 sc in next st, sc2tog**] 5 times**	(25 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 22 in (56 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Long feather: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, champagne; A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	With A, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnds 7 to 16** 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog	(12 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 5 stitches.	

Middle feather: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, champagne; A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)
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☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	With A, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnds 7 to 13**	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
7 8 9 10 11 12 13		
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 5 stitches.	

Short feather: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, champagne; A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	With A, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnds 7 to 10**	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
7 8 9 10		
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog	(12 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 5 stitches.	

Hair cap

Yarn D, chestnut brown.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 10** 8 9 10	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 32 in (81 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

Hair bun

Yarn D, chestnut brown.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnds 4 to 5** 4 5	Sc in each st around	(16 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Front lock: make 2

Yarn D, chestnut brown.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts	(9 sc)
☐ **Rnds 5 to 14**	Sc in each st around 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14	(9 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog	(8 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 4 stitches.	

Halo front

Yarn E, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
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☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 27 times**	(54 sts)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 38 in (97 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Halo back

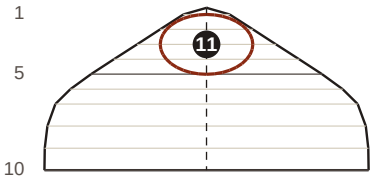
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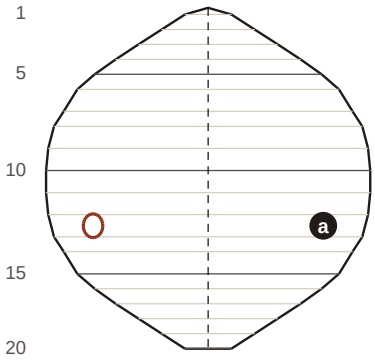
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☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 38 in (97 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Assembly



Hair cap: 11 hair bun



Head: a cheeks

A number is the step below that puts it on; a letter is put on under Finishing. Each line is a round, counted as the rounds are worked. The upright broken line is the center line. A place with a broken edge is on the far side.

1. Begin with the gown alone: the sleeves, the hands, the star and the wings go on before the collar and the head. Sew the two sleeves to the gown by their last rounds (12 sts): the middle of each lies on round 29, one to each side, 5½ stitches from the center line (11 stitches apart), and covers about rounds 27 to 31. The sleeve points out to the side and down, then curves forward and in, so that the two cuffs face each other in front of the gown. Sew all the way round with the tails, and hold the curve with a few running stitches along the inner side of each sleeve, drawn up a little.

2. Sew the two hands into the cuffs of the sleeves, round 1 out: the last round of the hand (16 sts) lies inside the sleeve against round 2 (16 sts), and the hand looks out of the cuff. With the tail of the hand, sew the two rounds together all the way round, stitch to stitch. Round 1 of the sleeve and its chain edge are not sewn to anything, so that the cuff stays wide open round the hand. Leave the sleeves empty.

3. Lay the two stars together, right sides out, point on point, and sew them together all the way round the edge (25 sts) with one tail. Hold the star upright in front of the gown with one point up, its middle on the center line, level with round 25 of the gown, its back against the gown. With the other tail, sew the back of the star to the gown where the two touch. Bring the two hands over the star from the two sides, so that round 1 of each hand covers the tip of the side point on its own side, and sew the hands down there with a few stitches of almond.

4. Wings: sew the two short feathers to the back of the gown: the flat 5-stitch edge of each runs straight up and down from round 21 to round 26, 1 stitch from the line opposite the center line, one on each side of it. They point out to the sides, then curve down a little, their broad sides looking to the front. Sew each edge through both layers with its tail.

5. Sew the two middle feathers to the back of the gown, over the upper ends of the edges of the short feathers: the flat 5-stitch edge of each runs straight up and down from round 23 to round 28, 1 stitch from the line opposite the center line, one on each side of it. They point out to the sides and a little up, then curve level, their broad sides looking to the front. Sew each edge through both layers with its tail.

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6. Sew the two long feathers to the back of the gown, over the upper ends of the edges of the middle feathers: the flat 5-stitch edge of each runs straight up and down from round 25 to round 30, 1 stitch from the line opposite the center line, one on each side of it. They point up and out to the sides, as much up as out, then curve until the tips point out, their broad sides looking to the front. Sew each edge through both layers with its tail. Seen from the front, the lower side of each long feather lies behind the middle feather, and the lower side of each middle feather behind the short feather. Then, with a new length of ivory, catch the lower side of each long feather to the middle feather beside it, and the lower side of each middle feather to the short feather beside it, with two or three stitches where they overlap, so that the three feathers stay spread like a fan. Every one of the three feathers on a side overlaps the next.

7. Put the collar on now, before the head. Set its chain edge on the open edge of the gown, right side up, and with a new length of champagne sew its 18 chains to the last round of the gown (18 sts), chain to stitch. Nothing else of the collar is sewn: its last round lies loose, out and down over the shoulders, on top of the upper ends of the sleeves and of the edges of the two long feathers. In front it just meets the top point of the star.

8. Set the head on the open edge of the gown (18 sts), center lines in line: the edge lies on round 18 of the head (18 sts). With the tail of the gown, sew every stitch of the edge to the head, and top up the stuffing in the neck before the last stitches so that the head does not wobble.

9. Pull the hair cap down over the head, its round 1 about three rounds behind round 1 of the head, until its edge lies on about round 7 of the head in front and on round 13 at the back. Sew the edge (42 sts) down all the way round.

10. Lay the two front locks on the hair, one to each side of the center line: the flat 4-stitch edge of each runs from front to back, close beside the center line, from round 8 (its front end) to round 4 (its back end) of the hair cap, so that the two edges lie side by side like a parting. Let each lock run down along the edge of the hair cap on its own side, so that it covers the edge, until its tip (round 1) lies on round 12 of the head, 10 stitches from the center line of the head. Sew the flat edges down with the tails, then catch both long sides of each lock to the hair and the head with small stitches.

11. Pin the hair bun to the hair cap: the middle of the open edge lies on round 3, on the center line. The edge (12 sts) covers about rounds 1 to 5 of the hair cap. It points up. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft. The bun covers the back ends of the flat edges of the two front locks.

12. Halo: lay the halo back behind the halo front, wrong sides together, round 1 on round 1, and run the tail of the halo front in between the two, to round 4. With the tail of the halo back, sew its edge (54 sts) to the wrong side of round 9 of the halo front (54 sts), stitch to stitch; the bobbles stand free all the way round. Set the halo upright behind the head, the halo front looking to the front: the middle of it (round 1) lies on round 5 of the hair cap, on the line opposite the center line. With the tail of the halo front, brought out at round 4, sew round 4 of both layers (24 sts) to the hair cap and the head in front of it, all the way round; press the halo flat against the head as you sew. Its top leans a little to the front.

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Finishing

- Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on; begin and end each strand inside the toy. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat.
- Closed eyes: with F (dark brown), in backstitch, a closed eye on each side, one curve about 3/8 in (10 mm) wide that dips 3/16 in (5 mm) below its ends. The place half way between the two ends of each is on the head between rounds 10 and 11, one to each side, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart).
- Cheeks: with G (rose), in satin stitch, an oval about ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the head between rounds 12 and 13, one to each side, 5½ stitches from the center line (11 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with F (dark brown), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about 3/8 in (10 mm) wide that dips 1/8 in (3 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the head between rounds 12 and 13, one to each side of the center line.
- Weave every tail through the toy and trim it. For a toy that will be played with, go round each seam a second time with a new length of yarn. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 21 pieces; 4,533 stitches.

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