Snowman family ornament

US terms



Finished size
About 6½ in (17 cm) wide and about 5½ in (14 cm) tall, without the loop

Skill
Easy
Worked in rows and rounds, with 17 pieces, color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Light (3), 8 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: snow white, the big body, the middle body, the small body, the heads, the small head, row 1 of the small cap and row 1 of the cap	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: charcoal, rows 1 and 3 to 5 of the crown and the brim	**about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: Christmas red, row 2 of the crown, the scarfs and the scarf ends	**about 6 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: pine green, rows 2 to 6 of the cap	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: mustard, rows 2 to 5 of the small cap and the small scarf	**about 6 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: carrot orange, the sewn details	**about 2 yd (2 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: frost blue, the drift	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn H: bark brown, the sewn details	**about 2 yd (2 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 35 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, a 4.5 mm (7) hook for the bodies and heads, a piece of card and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. Yarns A, B, C, D, E, G and H: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarn F: the estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Gauge

18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

That is the gauge with the 4 mm hook, for every piece but the bodies and heads. The bodies and heads are worked looser, with the 4.5 mm (7) hook or the size that gives you this gauge: 16 single crochet and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm). At that gauge a disc of 6 rounds measures about 2 7/8 in (7.3 cm) across, of 5 rounds 2 3/8 in (6 cm), of 4 rounds 2 in (5.1 cm) and of 3 rounds 1½ in (3.8 cm).

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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

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row does not count as a stitch.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in.
- A round worked in each st around begins in the st the round before was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches are not counted.
- Row 1 and every odd-numbered row of a piece worked in rows is worked with the right side facing. After ch 1, turn, the first stitch of a row goes in the first stitch of the row before. The foundation chain is the lower edge of the drift, the hats and the scarves and the upper end of a scarf end.
- Leave a beginning tail of 20 in (51 cm) at the crown, the cap and the small cap. These tails hang at the foundation chain and sew the piece on. Weave in the tail at the last row.
- The big one wears the crown with the brim, the middle one the cap, the small one the small cap. A scarf and a scarf end of the same color belong together: C for the big one, D for the middle one; the small scarf and the scarf end in E are for the small one.
- Backstitch (sewn): thread the yarn needle and bring it up from the back one stitch length (about ¼ in, 0.6 cm, and half that round a small curve, unless the line names another) along the line. Put it down at the start of the line and bring it up again one stitch length ahead of where it last came up; keep going down at the end of the stitch before and up one length ahead.
- French knot (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back, wrap the yarn twice round the needle close to the surface, hold the wraps and put the needle down beside the place where it came up. For a large knot use the yarn double and wrap it three times.
- Straight stitch (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back at one end of the stitch and put it down at the other end.

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Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **rem** remaining, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 5 times: work what is inside 5 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

sc2tog (UK dc2tog): [insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (3 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

Big body

Yarn A, snow white.

Use the 4.5 mm hook.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Middle body

Yarn A, snow white.

Use the 4.5 mm hook.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(30 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Small body

Yarn A, snow white.

Use the 4.5 mm hook.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 30 in (76 cm) tail for sewing.	

Head: make 2

Yarn A, snow white.

Use the 4.5 mm hook.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 20 in (51 cm) tail for sewing.	

Small head

Yarn A, snow white.

Use the 4.5 mm hook.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Small cap

Yarns in order of use: A, snow white; E, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 chs	(8 sc)
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, join E with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in each st across	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(2 sc2tog, 4 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(2 sc2tog, 2 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, [sc2tog in next 2 sts] twice	(2 sc2tog)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Crown

Yarns in order of use: B, charcoal; C, Christmas red.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 chs	(8 sc)
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in each st across	(8 sc)
	Fasten off C.	
☐ **Row 3**	Turn, join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in each st across	(8 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(8 sc)
	4 5	
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Brim

Yarn B, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 20 in (51 cm) tail for sewing.	

Cap

Yarns in order of use: A, snow white; D, pine green.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 11.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 9 chs	(10 sc)
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, join D with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in each st across	(10 sc)

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☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(2 sc2tog, 6 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(2 sc2tog, 4 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog in next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog in next 2 sts	(2 sc2tog, 2 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Scarf: make 2

Make 1 in C and 1 in D. The lines say C; use the color named instead.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(8 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing.	

Small scarf

Yarn E, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	With E, ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 20 in (51 cm) tail for sewing.	

Scarf end: make 3

Make 1 in each of C, D and E. The lines say C; use the color named instead.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 3.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch	(2 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 4** 2 3 4	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(2 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing.	

Drift

Yarn G, frost blue.

☐ **Foundation**	With G, ch 30.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	(29 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(29 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st, sc in next st**] 7 times**	(8 sc, 35 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

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Finishing

- Block: pin the bodies and heads to true circles, to the sizes that their own gauge gives: the big body 2 7/8 in (7.3 cm) across, the middle body 2 3/8 in (6 cm), the small body and the two heads 2 in (5.1 cm) and the small head 1½ in (3.8 cm). Pin out the drift with its foundation chain straight and every shell opened, and the hats with even sides. Spray the pieces with water and let them dry.
- Weave in the ends of the bodies, but not the sewing tails. Every piece, the round ones and those worked in rows, is laid right side up. Lay the round pieces with the places where their rounds are joined at the bottom. Up and down, left and right are as you look at the right side.
- Bodies: lay the big body on the left and the middle body on the right, and the small body between them, over their inner edges. The magic ring of the big body is 1 7/8 in (4.8 cm) to the left of the magic ring of the small body and 3/8 in (1 cm) higher; the magic ring of the middle body is 1 7/8 in (4.8 cm) to the right of it and ¼ in (0.6 cm) higher. Pin them. With the tail of the small body, sew the edge of the small body down where it lies on the two others; then turn the work over and, with the same tail, sew the edges of the two others to the back of the small body.
- Heads: lay each head over the top of its body, straight above it. One head is for the big body: its magic ring 2 in (5.1 cm) above the magic ring of the big body. The other head is for the middle body: its magic ring 1¾ in (4.4 cm) above the magic ring of the middle body. The small head: its magic ring 1 3/8 in (3.5 cm) above the magic ring of the small body. Sew each down with its tail where it lies on a body; from behind, sew the top edge of the body to the back of the head.
- Faces: all places are measured from the magic ring of the head. Eyes: with B, two large French knots: on the two heads 3/8 in (1 cm) to each side and ¼ in (0.6 cm) above, on the small head ¼ in (0.6 cm) to each side and 1/8 in (0.3 cm) above. Nose: with F, three straight stitches close together, one above another, that begin 1/8 in (0.3 cm) to the left of the magic ring and all end in one place to the right of it: ½ in (1.3 cm) to the right on the two heads and 3/8 in (1 cm) on the small head, 1/8 in (0.3 cm) below the level of the magic ring. Mouth: with B, a curve in backstitch below the nose. On every head its two ends are ¼ in (0.6 cm) to each side and ¼ in (0.6 cm) below, its lowest point 3/8 in (1 cm) below. The faces take about 60 in (152 cm) of B and 30 in (76 cm) of F.
- Scarves: lay the scarf, right side up, over the neck, the middle of its foundation chain straight below the magic ring of the head: 1 1/8 in (2.9 cm) below it on the big one, 1 1/8 in (2.9 cm) on the middle one, and the small scarf 1 in (2.5 cm) below it on the small one. Bend the two ends up in an even curve, so that they are ¼ in (0.6 cm) higher than the middle. Lay the scarf end under it, right side up and pointing down, its foundation chain 1/8 in (0.3 cm) above the lower edge of the scarf; its middle is ½ in (1.3 cm) to the left of the middle of the scarf on the big one, ½ in (1.3 cm) to the right on the middle one and 3/8 in (1 cm) to the right on the small one. Sew the foundation chain of the scarf end to the back of the scarf with its tail, run along the back from its last row, and then sew the scarf down with its tail where it lies on head and body. The scarf end hangs free.
- Buttons: with B, work large French knots on the bodies below the magic ring of the head: three on the big body, ½ in (1.3 cm) above its magic ring, on it and ½ in (1.3 cm) below it; two on the middle body, ¼ in (0.6 cm) above its magic ring and ¼ in (0.6 cm) below it; one on the small body, on its magic ring. They take about 36 in (91 cm) of B.
- Top hat: lay the crown, right side up, on the head of the big one, its foundation chain level, the middle of it straight above the magic ring and 5/8 in (1.6 cm) above it, and sew the foundation chain down with the beginning tail where it lies on the head. Lay the brim, right side up, over the lower edge of the crown, level, its foundation chain ½ in (1.3 cm) above the magic ring of the head and its ends standing out alike on both sides. Sew it down with its tail where it lies on the head and the crown.
- Caps: lay the cap, right side up, on the head of the middle one, its foundation chain level, the middle of it straight above the magic ring and ½ in (1.3 cm) above it, and the small cap, right side up, on the small head in the same way, 3/8 in (1 cm) above its magic ring. Sew the foundation chain of each down with the beginning tail where it lies on the head; then, from behind, sew the top edge of the head to the back of the cap, and do the same for the big head and the crown with a 10 in (25 cm) length of B.

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- Pompoms: for the cap wind A 40 times round a piece of card 1 in (2.5 cm) wide, slide the loops off, tie them tightly round the middle with a 14 in (36 cm) length of A, cut them at both ends and trim the ball to about 5/8 in (1.6 cm) across; for the small cap wind A 30 times round the same card and trim the ball to about ½ in (1.3 cm) across. With the ends of that length, sew each to the top edge of its cap, in the middle.
- Arms: make 2. With H, ch 5 (about 7/8 in (2.2 cm) long) and fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Both begin on the small body, ¾ in (1.9 cm) to the left and to the right of its magic ring and 3/8 in (1 cm) above it. The right one begins beyond the small scarf end, which still hangs free beside it. The left one ends on the big body, 1¼ in (3.2 cm) to the left of the magic ring of the small body and 1 in (2.5 cm) above it; the right one ends on the middle body, 1 3/8 in (3.5 cm) to the right and ¾ in (1.9 cm) above. Each chain is longer than the straight way between its two ends: let it sag downward in a soft curve and sew each down along its whole length with its tail.
- Drift: lay it over the lower edges of the three bodies, right side up, the middle of its foundation chain straight below the magic ring of the small body and 1 1/8 in (2.9 cm) below it, the shells upward. From behind, with a 40 in (102 cm) length of G, sew the bodies to the back of the drift along their lower edges and along the tops of Row 2, catching only the back of the drift.
- Hanging loop: with C, ch 24 (about 4 3/8 in (11.1 cm) long) and fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail at each end. Fold it in half and, with the tails, sew both ends side by side to the back of Row 5 of the small cap, the fold straight up, so that it stands between the two big heads.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 17 pieces.

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