Spring gnome with a flower hat

US terms



Finished size
About 7 in (18 cm) tall to the top of the bent hat; the watering can 1 5/8 in (4.1 cm) tall with its spout

Skill
Intermediate
21 pieces worked in rounds and rows and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 8 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.

You will need

Yarn A: moss green, body and arm	**about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: lilac, hat and the details	**about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, several of the pieces	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: peach, nose, arm and the details	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: blush pink, pink flower	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: butter yellow, pink flower and cream flower	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: plum, boot	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn H: sky blue, can, spout, handle and the details	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

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, scissors, a hook one size smaller for the can and if you would like it stiffer.

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.

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together, through the front loops only: how is under “Before you start” (UK dc2tog, double cro
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
ch	chain stitch
MR	magic ring
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
BLO	back loop only

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.

Before you start

- Every piece that has rounds 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 A," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in A. 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.
- Hat: the center line runs between stitches 27 and 28 of round 30 (54 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Body: 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 gnome. 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.
- 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.

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- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): 5¼ in (13.5 cm) tall to the top of the bent hat; the watering can 1¼ in (3.2 cm) tall with its spout; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): 10 in (25.5 cm) tall to the top of the bent hat; the watering can 2 3/8 in (6 cm) tall with its spout; 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): 12¾ in (32.5 cm) tall to the top of the bent hat; the watering can 3 in (7.6 cm) tall with its spout; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Body

Yarn A, moss green.

Round 1 is the middle of the base.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(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)**
☐ **Rnds 9 to 19**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 19: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19

☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

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

☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 28**	**[**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.	

Hat

Yarn B, lilac.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in each st around	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 2 times**	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 2 times**	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 2 times**	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 2 times**	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts**] 2 times**	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts**] 2 times**	**(34 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 3 times**	**(39 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts**] 3 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	**(45 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 3 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts**] 3 times**	**(51 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	Sc in each st around	**(54 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 38 in (97 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Lower ruffle

Yarn C, cream.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 6 stitches wide at the start. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(6 hdc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in each of next 6 sts	**(12 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	**(12 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end.	

Middle ruffle

Yarn C, cream.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 11 stitches wide at the start. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 12.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(11 hdc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in each of next 11 sts	**(22 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	**(22 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end.	

Upper ruffle

Yarn C, cream.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 16 stitches wide at the start. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 17.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(16 hdc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in each of next 16 sts	**(32 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	**(32 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end.	

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Nose

Yarn D, peach.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(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 2 sts**] 3 times**	**(15 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	**(15 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Arm: make 2

Yarns in order of use: D, peach; A, moss green.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in each st around	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	With A, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 11**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 11: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Boot: make 2

Yarn G, plum.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(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 6**	Sc in each st around	**(16 sc)**

A box for each round, 4 to 6: tick them off as you go.

☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6

☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts	**(13 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

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Pink flower: make 4

Yarns in order of use: F, butter yellow; E, blush pink.

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

Cream flower: make 4

Yarns in order of use: F, butter yellow; C, cream.

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

Can

Yarn H, sky blue.

Round 1 is the middle of the base.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(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 5 sts**] 3 times**	**(21 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(21 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 11**	Sc in each st around	**(21 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 11: tick them off as you go.

☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11

☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff: the can stays open at the top.	

Spout

Yarn H, sky blue.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 4 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(6 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 10: tick them off as you go.

6 7 8 9 10

☐ **End** Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.

Handle

Yarn H, sky blue.

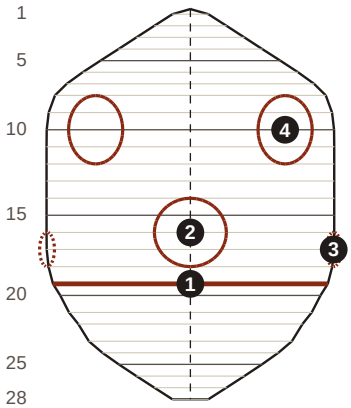
☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 2 to 15**	Sc in each st around	**(4 sc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 15: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

☐ **End** Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.

Assembly



Body: 1 hat, 2 nose, 3 arms, 4 boots

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. Set the hat on the body with the center lines in line: its open edge (54 sts) lies on round 19 of the body (48 sts), eased to fit. Sew it down all the way round, topping up the stuffing before the last stitches.

2. Beard: sew on the three ruffles, the lower one first, each right side out and hanging down, along its foundation chain, with a new length of C (cream). Lay the 6 chains of the lower ruffle along round 12 of the body, 3 to each side of the center line. Lay the 11 chains of the middle ruffle along round 15, 5½ to each side. Lay the 16 chains of the upper ruffle along round 18, 8 to each side. Sew every chain to a stitch of the body. Pull the waves of each ruffle out with your fingers.

3. Pin the nose to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 16, on the center line. The edge (12 sts) covers about rounds 14 to 18 of the body, so that its top lies just under the hat. It lies over the middle of the upper ruffle and points forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, through the ruffle and the body, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

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4. Pin the two arms to the body: the middle of each open edge lies on round 17, one to each side, 12½ stitches from the center line (23 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The edge (10 sts) covers about rounds 16 to 18 of the body. They point out to the side and forward, then curve until the tip of each points straight forward. Bend each as you pin it and hold the curve with a few running stitches along its inner side, drawn up a little. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

5. Pin the two boots to the body: the middle of each open edge lies on round 10, one to each side, 5½ stitches from the center line (11 stitches apart). The edge (12 sts) covers about rounds 8 to 12 of the body. Each points straight out from the side wall of the body, so that the toes turn out a little, and lies along the table: no bend is needed. Turn the lower ruffle up out of the way. Pin each boot so that its under side is level with the base of the body, and the gnome stands flat on its base and both boots. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

6. Set the four pink flowers and the four cream flowers round the hat, right side out, pink and cream by turns: the middle of each lies on round 26, the first pink one on the center line and then one after every 5½ stitches or so, until they are evenly spaced all the way round. Their petals lap a little over each other. Run each tail along the back of its flower to round 2, sew round the edge of round 2 through the hat, and catch the tip of every petal with one stitch.

7. Choose any place on the side of the can for the spout. Pin the open edge of the spout (6 sts) to the can there, over rounds 6 and 7. The spout points out and up, the middle of its round 1 level with the top of the can. Sew all the way round with the tail of the spout. With the same tail make one stitch from the upper side of the spout, on its round 8, to round 9 of the can straight above the seam, and draw it up until the spout holds that slant.

8. Handle: on the side of the can straight across from the spout, sew round 1 of the handle to the can on round 10 and its open edge to the can on round 5, one straight above the other. It bows out like an ear. Use the tail of the handle at the open edge and a new length of H (sky blue) at round 1.

9. Tip of the hat: with a new length of B (lilac), work running stitches up the right side of the hat from round 16 to round 4 and draw them up until the tip leans over to the right. Fasten off inside.

10. Stand the can beside the gnome on the right, the handle under the right hand. If the can should stay there, catch the hand to the handle with two stitches of a new length of D (peach).

Finishing

- 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; 3,116 stitches.

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