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# “LITTLE ELF”



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This pattern doesn't contain basic crocheting lessons.

Level of difficulty: intermediate.

You need to have basic crocheting skills to use this pattern. The pattern is my authoring.

### Materials and tools:

**1. Yarn:**

YarnArt Jeans 90 red (half of skein)

YarnArt Jeans 01 white (half of skein)

YarnArt Jeans 03 milk (half of skein)

YarnArt Jeans 15 light blue (half of skein)

YarnArt Jeans 67 light yellow (a little for the Christmas lantern)

YarnArt Jeans 70 brown (a little for lantern and curls)

Alize Cotton Gold 382 skin (half of skein)

\* You can crochet from any yarn (yarn consumption depends on your crocheting density), select the size of the hook and eyes individually for your yarn.

**2.** Black thread for eyelids (I use Iris thread)

**3.** Pink blush or pastel

**4.** Toy filler (synthetic fluff or holofiber)

**5.** Long needle

**6.** Scissors

**7.** Crochet hook size 2

**8.** Black sew-on eyes size 7-8 mm or black half-beads size 7-8 mm

**9.** Two decorative half beads or sewn buttons (to decorate shoes)

**10.** Glue (I use gel glue)

**11.** Thick cardboard or plastic (for the lantern)

European metric	UK size	US size
2 mm	14	B/1
2.25 mm	13	-
2.5 mm	12	C/2
3 mm	11	-
3.25 mm	10	D/3
3.5 mm	9	E/4
4 mm	8	G/6
4.5 mm	7	7
5 mm	6	H/8
5.5 mm	5	I/9
6 mm	4	J/10
6.5 mm	3	K/10½
7 mm	2	-
8 mm	0	-
9 mm	00	-
10 mm	000	-

## Abbreviations:

**MR\*** – magic ring

**r.** – round/row

**l.** – loop

**fl. l.** – floating loop

**ch** – chain

**sc** – single crochet

**inc.** – increase (crochet 2 single crochet in one loop)

**dec.** – decrease (crochet 2 single crochet together)

**dec from 3 sc** – work 3 sc together

**HDC.** – half double crochet

**DC.** – double crochet

**TR.** – treble crochet

**DTR.** – double treble crochet

**1DC, 2DC, 3DC...and so on** – one double crochet in 1 st, two double crochets in 1 st, three double crochets in 1 st and so on. *!!!Do not crochet them together!!!* If this is specified in the crochet pattern

**1 DC/1 HDC, 2 DC/2 HDC, 3 DC/3 HDC ... and so on** – one double crochet / one half double crochet, two double crochets/two half double crochets, three double crochets/ three half double crochets and so on *!!! Crochet 1 DC/1 HDC in each st.!!!* If this is specified in the crochet pattern

**slst** – slip stitch

**t. ch.** – turning chain

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\* If you cannot make MR, then make 2 ch and crochet in the second loop from the hook – it'll be MR

\* Size is valid when using recommended yarn and crochet hook. I crochet in X.

**Size of the toy:** 21-22 cm (8.27-8.66 in)

## Tips:

- Work in spiral, don't join with a slip stitch in the end of the row and don't turn, unless otherwise stated.
- There are shift stitches in this pattern
- There are not turning rows in this pattern.
- Use marker or contrast color thread in the beginning of the row for marking the first loop of each new row.
- Stuff the toy with filler more tight, so that it doesn't lose shape.

## ELF THE DOLL:

### POMPON:

Work with white yarn. Stuff as you go, do not forget to mark rounds.

1 r: 6 sc in MR

2 r: 6 inc (12)

3 r: (1 sc, inc)\*6 (18)

4-6 r: 18 sc

7 r: (1 sc, dec)\*6 (12)

8 r: 6 dec

Leave a thread for sewing.



### CAP:

Use light blue, white and red yarn.

Start crocheting with light blue yarn. Do not forget to mark rounds.

1 r: light blue yarn 6 sc in MR

2 r: light blue yarn 6 inc (12)

3 r: light blue yarn 12 sc

**\*TIP:** change the color of yarn by doing the last stitch of round

*Attach white yarn*

4 r: white yarn (3 sc, inc)\*3 (15)

5 r: light blue yarn 15 sc

6 r: light blue yarn (4 sc, inc)\*3 (18)

*Attach red yarn*

7 r: (Red yarn: sc. Light blue yarn: sc)\*9 (18)

8 r: light blue yarn (5 sc, inc)\*3 (21)

9 r: light blue yarn 21 sc

10 r: white yarn (6 sc, inc)\*3 (24)

11 r: (Light blue yarn: sc. White yarn: sc)\*12 (24)

12 r: red yarn (3 sc, inc)\*6 (30)

13 r: white yarn 30 sc

14 r: light blue yarn (4 sc, inc)\*6 (36)

15 r: light blue yarn 36 sc

16 r: (White yarn: sc. Light blue yarn: 5 sc)\*6 (36)

17 r: white yarn (5 sc, inc)\*6 (42)

- 18 r: red yarn 42 sc
- 19 r: light blue yarn (6 sc, inc)\*6 (48)
- 20 r: (Red yarn: sc. Light blue yarn: sc)\*24 (48)
- 21 r: light blue yarn 48 sc
- 22 r: white yarn (7 sc, inc)\*6 (54)
- 23 r: light blue yarn 54 sc
- 24 r: (Red yarn: 2 sc. White yarn: 3 sc)\* 10, Red yarn: 2 sc, White yarn: 2 sc (54)
- 25 r: White yarn: 4 sc, (Red yarn: 4 sc. White yarn: sc)\*10 (54)
- 26-27 r: white yarn 54 sc
- 28 r: light blue yarn 54 sc
- 29 r: (White yarn: sc. Light blue yarn: sc)\*27 (54)
- 30 r: light blue yarn 54 sc



*Attach white yarn.*

31 r: white yarn 3 ch (see photo) and work a DC in the same stitch, then work one DC in each stitch, make a slst in the end of the round.

Cut the red and light blue threads, secure them, weave in the ends. Leave the white thread for sewing.

Sew the pompon on top of the cap in a circle, then bring the thread inside the cap and work several stitches along the back seam from the inside (see photo), grabbing the part of the stitch from the inside with the needle. Then pull the thread so that the tip of the cap slightly folded (see photo). Secure and cut the thread, weave in the ends.



## HEAD:

Work with skin yarn, do not forget to mark rounds. Stuff as you go.

**1 r:** make 11 ch and work from the 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from the hook: inc, then along the chain 8 sc, 3 sc in the last st, continue crocheting along the second side of the chain 9 sc (22)

**2 r:** 2 inc, 8 sc, 3 inc, 8 sc, inc (28)

**3 r:** (1 sc, inc)\*2, 8 sc, (1 sc, inc)\*3, 8 sc, (1 sc, inc)\*1 (34)

**4 r:** (2 sc, inc)\*2, 8 sc, (2 sc, inc)\*3, 8 sc, (sc, inc)\*1 (40)

**5 r:** (3 sc, inc)\*2, 8 sc, (3 sc, inc)\*3, 8 sc, (sc, inc)\*1 (46)

**6 r:** (4 sc, inc)\*2, 8 sc, (4 sc, inc)\*3, 8 sc, (sc, inc)\*1 (52)

**7-8 r:** 52 sc

**9 r:** (25 sc, inc)\*2 (54)

**10-19 r:** 54 sc

**20 r:** (25 sc, dec)\*2 (52)

**21-22 r:** 52 sc

**23 r:** (4 sc, dec)\*2, 8 sc (4 sc, dec)\*3, 8 sc, (4 sc, dec)\*1 (46)

**24 r:** (3 sc, dec)\*2, 8 sc (3 sc, dec)\*3, 8 sc, (3 sc, dec)\*1 (40)

**25 r:** (2 sc, dec)\*2, 8 sc (2 sc, dec)\*3, 8 sc, (2 sc, dec)\*1 (34)

**26 r:** (1 sc, dec)\*2, 8 sc (1 sc, dec)\*3, 8 sc, (1 sc, dec)\*1 (28)

**27 r:** 2 dec, 8 sc, 3 dec, 8 sc, dec (22)

**28 r:** (1 sc, dec)\*7, sc (15)

**29 r:** 7 dec, sc (8)

Tighten the opening, cut and secure the thread.

**IMPORTANT:** The top of the head is where we end crocheting (there will be a cap on top), and the bottom of the head is the beginning of crocheting as it is more neat.



### NOSE:

Crochet with body yarn.

1 r: 8 sc in MR

2 r: 8 sc

Leave thread for sewing.

### EARS (make 2):

Crochet with body yarn.

Work in MR: 2 HDC, 1 DC, 2 TR, 1 DC, 2 HDC

Leave thread for sewing.



### CURLS:

Work with white or brown yarn.

Make 12 ch, starting from the second stitch from the hook work along the chain 11 sc, again make 12 ch, from the second stitch from the hook work along the chain 11 sc. Make 3 more curls like that. There should be 5 strands in total.

Leave a thread for sewing.



## HEAD DECORATION:

1. Sew on the ears on sides of the head, placing them in the middle of the head (see photo).



2. Sew on the nose in the middle of the face, do not stuff with filler when sewing.
3. Sew or glue the eyes on the sides of the nose, placing them at the distance you like best, I place them at a distance of 4-5 sc between each other.

4. Sew on the curls at the crown just above the forehead, closer to the crown (see photo).



5. Embroider the stitches on the sides of the eyes with white thread and the eyelids above the eyes with a thin black thread.





6. Embroider a smile with a thin red thread. I grab diagonally 1 stitch on the sides and 2 stitches long.



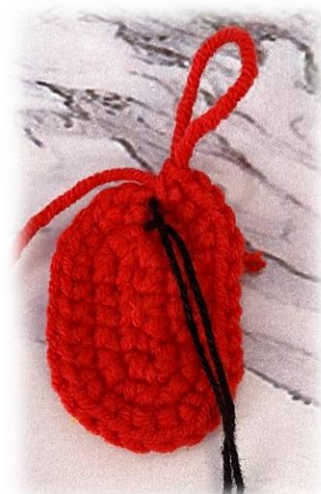
7. Put on a cap on top of the head, pulling it closer to the ears and closing the back of the head to the toy, then sew on the white part of the cap, from the side where I do not sew the forelock.
8. Tone the cheeks and nose with pink pastel and embroider the freckles under the eyes with thin brown yarn (see photo), grabbing half a stitch. Embroider eyebrows with brown yarn.



### **LEGS and BODY: (one piece, it's crocheted from top to bottom)**

Start crocheting with red yarn. Stuff as you go, do not forget to mark rounds.

- 1 r: make a chain of 6 ch, from 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook work: inc, then on chain 3 sc, work 4 sc in last ch, on second side of chain 3 sc, inc (14)
- 2 r: 2 inc, 3 sc, 4 inc, 3 sc, 2 inc (22)
- 3 r: (sc, inc)\*2, 3 sc, (sc, inc)\*4, 3 sc, (sc, inc)\*2 (30)



Necessary to crochet 1 sc (shift the beginning of the round to the middle of the heel and place marker).



4 r: in back loops only 30 sc  
5-6 r: 30 sc



Decreases should be in front of the shoe:

7 r: 10 sc, (dec, 2 sc)\*2, dec, 10 sc (27)  
8 r: 9 sc, dec, dec from 3 sc, dec\*2, 9 sc (22)  
9 r: dec, 18 sc, dec (20)  
10 r: (3 sc, dec)\*4 (16)

Attach light blue yarn

11 r: in back loops only 16 sc  
12-14 r: 16 sc  
15 r: (3 sc, inc)\*4 (20)  
16 r: 20 sc  
17 r: 2 sc, inc, (4 sc, inc)\*3, 2 sc (24)  
18 r: 24 sc



Attach the red yarn to 4<sup>th</sup> round and work in a circle 30 slst (see photo).



Attach the red yarn to the 11<sup>th</sup> round and work in a circle (see photo):

1 r: (7 sc, inc)\*2 (18)

2 r: (5 sc, inc)\*3 (21)

Cut and secure the thread.



Attach white yarn

3 r: work 21 sc with a crab stitch in a circle

Turn out the cuff on the leg and fasten it from behind with threads.

Cut and secure the thread.

Decorate the boots with half beads or buttons (see photo).



Work 7 sc on first leg (to the middle of the inner part of the leg), secure and cut the thread.  
Work 20 sc on the second leg (to the middle of the inner part of the leg), then make 1 ch., do not cut the thread.

**IMPORTANT:** You may have different number of sts crocheted to the middle of the legs due to the different crocheting density. Therefore, adjust the number of sts yourself, the main thing is that they are in the middle of the legs (in the inner part of the legs, see photos).



Continue crocheting:

Attach the second leg to the first leg into the next st (i.e. in 8<sup>th</sup> st), place marker (see photo).



**19 r:** 24 sc on one leg, 1 sc on ch, 24 sc on second leg, 1 sc on ch from the second side (50)

**20 r:** (6 sc, inc)\*6, 8 sc (56)

**21-25 r:** 56 sc

If holes are formed between the legs during crocheting, it is necessary to sew them (see photo).



Shift the beginning of round to the back of the toy (see photo), work 28 sc (you may have different number of sts due to the different crocheting density).

*Attach milk yarn and put a marker*

26 r: 56 sc

27 r: in back loops only 56 sc

28 r: 56 sc

29 r: (6 sc, dec)\*7 (49)

30 r: 47 sc, dec (48)

31 p: (Red yarn: 1 sc. Milk yarn: 1 sc)\*24 (48)

32 r: 48 sc

33 r: (10 sc, dec)\*4 (44)

34 r: 44 sc

35 r: (9 sc, dec)\*4 (40)

36 r: (Red yarn: 1 sc. Milk yarn: 1 sc)\*20

37-38 r: 40 sc

39 r: (8 sc, dec)\*4 (36)

40 r: 36 sc

41 r: (Red yarn: 1 sc. Milk yarn: 1 sc)\*18

42 r: (7 sc, dec)\*4 (32)

43 r: 32 sc

44 r: (6 sc, dec)\*4 (28)

*Attach skin thread*

45 r: in back loops only 28 sc

46-47 r: 28 sc

48 r: (2 sc, dec)\*4 (24)

49 r: (1 sc, dec)\*4 (14)

50 r: 7 dec

Pull the hole, cut and secure the thread.



Crochet the collar:

Attach white yarn to 45<sup>th</sup> round and make 5 ch, then in the same stitch make 2 DTR, then work 3 DTR in each stitch, make a slst in the end of round. Cut and secure the thread.



Attach milk yarn to 25<sup>th</sup> round and make 3 ch, then in the same stitch make 1 HDC, then work in a circle 56 HDC, make a slst in the end of round. Cut and secure the thread.



### HANDS (make 2):

Start crocheting with red yarn, stuff only the lower part of the arm as you go, do not stuff the upper part, so that the arms don't stick out. Do not forget to mark rounds.

- 1 r: 6 sc in MR
- 2 r: 6 inc (12)
- 3-4 r: 12 sc
- 5 r: 4 DC in one stitch and work all these stitches together (a bobble turns out, see photo), next crochet in a circle 11 sc (12)
- 6 r: (4 sc, dec)\*2 (10)
- 7 r: 10 sc

*Attach milk yarn*

- 8 r: in back loops only 10 sc
- 9 r: (4 sc, inc)\*2 (12)
- 10 r: (5 sc, inc)\*2 (14)
- 11-19 r: 14 sc
- 20 r: (5 sc, dec)\*2 (12)
- 21 r: 12 sc



Work the missing stitches to the end of the loop edge, I have 4 sc (see photo). Focus on your work. Fold the product in half and work together. Leave the thread for sewing.

Attach the red yarn to the 8<sup>th</sup> round and work 10 sc with a crab stitch in a circle. Cut and secure the thread.



### DECORATION OF THE TOY:

1. Sew the arms diagonally close to the collar (see photo).



2. Sew on the head. First, fix the head with the double pointed needles (see photo). First round sew with basting stitch, second round sew with fixed stitch.



### Christmas LANTERN:

Start crocheting with brown yarn. Stuff as you go, do not forget to mark rounds.

1 r: 6 sc in MR

2 r: 6 inc (12)

3 r: (1 sc, inc)\*6 (18)

4-6 r: in back loops only 18 sc

Cut the base according to the size of the resulting circle, i.e. a circle made of thick cardboard or plastic. Insert the base.

Then stuff the lantern as you go.

*Attach light yellow yarn*

7 r: in back loops only 18 sc

8-9 r: 18 sc

10 r: (2 sc, inc)\*6 (24)

11-13 r: 24 sc







Change to brown yarn

14 r: in back loops only 24 sc

15 r: 24 sc

16 r: (2 sc, dec)\*6 (18)

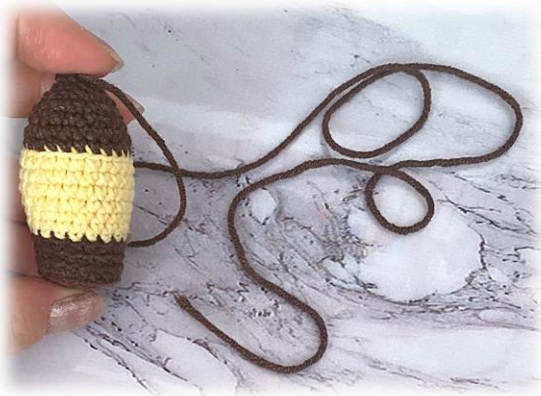
17 r: 18 sc

18 r: (1 sc, dec)\*6 (12)

19 r: 12 sc

20 r: 6 dec

Leave a thread 15-20 cm long, with the help of it tight the hole and knit a chain under the girth of the palm of your toy (I have 15 ch), fasten the chain into a circle (see photo). Cut and secure the thread.



**IMPORTANT:** hold the lantern straight, with a cone up

Attach the brown yarn to 14<sup>th</sup> round and work in a circle 24 sc (see photo).

Attach the brown yarn to 4<sup>th</sup> round and crochet with sl.st around to the 7<sup>th</sup>

Cut and secure the thread.

Embroider 4 lines on the yellow part of the lantern (see photo).



**YOUR ELF IS READY!!!**

