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Gnome Family

Crochet the little gnome family for your Christmas tree, and then enjoy them all through the year. These charming wee folks are fun for child play or to keep all ages company.

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Each gnome measures 8" tall including cap.

RED HEART® Super Saver®: 1 skein each 0312 Black **A**, 0319 Cherry Red **B**, 0886 Blue **C**, 0321 Gold **D**, 0334 Buff **E**, 0313 Aran **F**, 0358 Lavender **G**, 0512 Turqua **H**, 0672 Spring Green **I**.

Crochet Hook: 5mm [US H-8].
Yarn needle, stitch marker, fiberfill, one pair 6mm safety eyes. The safety eyes are from an etsy show: www.etsy.com/shop/6060.

GAUGE: 14 sts = 4"; 15 rows = 4" in single crochet.
CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

Special Stitches
3-hdc popcorn = 3 hdc in indicated stitch, remove hook from loop, insert hook from front to back in first hdc of 3-hdc group, place dropped loop back on hook and draw through.
sc2tog = [Insert hook in next st, yo, draw yarn through st] twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Special Technique
adjustable ring: Holding the yarn a few inches from the end, wrap around your finger. Do not remove wrap from finger, insert hook into the wrap and draw up a loop of working yarn. Chain one to secure the loop, and remove ring from finger. Work stitches of first round in the ring. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

NOTES
1. Only small amounts of each color are needed. Many gnomes can be made from 1 skein of each color.
2. When fastening off at the end of a round. You may wish to finish with an invisible join, as follows: Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Pull up on last loop on hook until tail is drawn all the way through the last stitch. Thread tail onto yarn needle. Insert yarn needle under both strands of 2nd stitch of round, then insert needle down through last stitch. This creates a loop that looks like the top of a stitch. Weave in the remaining tail.
3. Stuff pieces lightly. Do not over stuff.
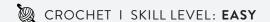4. Gauge is not critical. Work tightly to ensure that stuffing does not show through stitches.

PAPA
Legs (make 2)
Beginning at shoe, with **A**, make an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Work (3 sc, 2 hdc, 3 sc) in ring; join with slip st in first sc—8 sts.
Round 2: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, 2 hdc in each of next 2 hdc (for toe), sc in last 3 sc; join with slip st in first sc—10 sts.
Round 3: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 4: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, [sc2tog] 2 times, sc in last 3 sc; join with slip st in first sc—8 sc. Fasten off.

Round 5: With Right Side facing, join **B** with sc in first sc of Round 4, sc in each remaining sc around; do not join, work in continuous rounds. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.
Rounds 6 and 7: Sc in each sc around.
Round 8: [Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 2 times—10 sc. Fasten off. Hold both legs together, with toes facing in the same direction. Sew tops of legs together, sewing through 2 stitches at inside of each leg and leaving 8 stitches on each leg unsewn. Stuff legs.

Lower Tunic
With **C**, ch 24; taking care not to twist ch, join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Ch 1, sc in each ch around; do not join, work in continuous rounds—24 sc. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.
Round 2: [Sc in next 4 sc, sc2tog] 4 times—20 sc.
Round 3: Sc in next sc; place tunic around top of legs, beginning at back of legs, working through both thicknesses, sc in 8 unsewn sts of first leg; working in tunic sts only, sc in next 2 sc; working through both thicknesses, sc in 8 unsewn sts of 2nd leg; working in last tunic st only, sc in last sc—20 sc. Fasten off.

Belt
Round 1: Join **A** with sc at center back of tunic, sc in each remaining sc around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Upper Tunic
Round 1: Join **C** with sc at center back of belt, sc in each sc around; do not join, work in continuous rounds. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.
Rounds 2 and 3: Sc in each sc around.
Round 4: Sc in next 4 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in next 6 sc, [sc2tog] twice, sc in next 2 sc—16 sc.
Round 5: [Sc2tog] 8 times—8 sc. Stuff tunic. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing tunic to head. With D, embroider a straight stitch square on center, front of belt for buckle.

Arms (make 2)
Beginning at hand, with **E**, make an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Work 8 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rounds—8 sc. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.
Round 2: Sc in each sc around.
Round 3: [Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog] 2 times—6 sc. Fasten off.
Sleeve
Round 4: Join **C** with sc in first sc of round 3, sc in next 5 sc.
Rounds 5–8: Sc in each sc around. Do not stuff arm.

Round 9: [Sc2tog] 3 times—3 sc.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing arm to tunic.

Head
With **E**, make an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Work 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rounds—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.
Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.
Round 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times—18 sc.
Rounds 4 and 5: Sc in each sc around.
Round 6: Sc in next 9 sc, 3-hdc popcorn in next sc (for nose), sc in last 8 sc.
Round 7: Sc in each sc around.
Attach safety eyes, between Rounds 5 and 6, on either side of nose. Note: Push posts of safety eyes between strands of a stitch, not in space between stitches, to avoid allowing the eye to sink back into the head.
Round 8: [Sc in next sc, sc2tog] 6 times—12 sc.
Round 9: [Sc in next sc, sc2tog] 4 times—8 sc.
Round 10: Sc in each sc around. Fasten off. Stuff head.

Cap
With **B**, make an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Work 4 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rounds—4 sc. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.
Round 2: Sc in each sc around.
Round 3: Work 2 sc in each sc around—8 sc.
Round 4: Sc in each sc around.
Round 5: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times—12 sc.
Round 6: Sc in each sc around.
Round 7: [Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times—16 sc.
Round 8: Sc in each sc around.
Round 9: [Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times—20 sc.
Rounds 10 and 11: Sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

Hair and Beard
Row 1: With **F**, [ch 3, working in back bars, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next ch] 4 times, [ch 4, working in back bars, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 2 ch] 4 times, [ch 5, working in back bars, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 3 ch] 2 times, [ch 4, working in back bars, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 2 ch] 4 times, [ch 3, working in back bars, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next ch] 4 times. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing hair and beard to cap and face.

Front Curl (optional)
With **F**, ch 5, working in back bars, slip st in 3rd ch from hook and in next 2 ch. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing curl to underside of cap.

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Mustache
With **F**, [ch 5, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 3 ch] 2 times. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing mustache to face.

FINISHING
Sew arms to sides of body, near top of tunic. Sew head to top of tunic. Sew front curl to underside of center front of cap. Sew ends of hair and beard piece together to form a ring. Sew piece to underside of cap edge, placing seam centered at back of cap, and sewing for about ½" on each side of seam (to about where ears would be). Place cap on head and sew in place. Arrange beard around chin and sides of face and sew in place. Sew mustache beneath nose. Weave in all ends.

BOY
Legs (make 2)
Work same as papa's legs through Round 7, using **A** for shoe and **D** for legs. Work one more round, as follows, before finishing leg.
Round 8: Sc in each sc around.
Round 9: [Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 2 times—10 sc. Fasten off. Hold both legs together, with toes facing in the same direction. Sew tops of legs together, sewing through 2 stitches at inside of each leg and leaving 8 stitches on each leg unsewn. Stuff legs.

Lower Tunic
With **I**, ch 20; taking care not to twist ch, join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1: Ch 1, sc in each ch around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Belt
Round 1: Place tunic around top of legs, join **A** with sc in first sc of belt, beginning at back of legs, working through both thicknesses, sc in 8 unsewn sts of first leg, sc in next 2 sc of belt only, working through both thicknesses, sc in 8 unsewn sts of 2nd leg, sc in last sc of belt; join with slip st in first sc—20 sc.
Round 2: Sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Upper Tunic
With **I**, work same as papa's upper tunic.

Arms (make 2)
Work same as papa's arm, using **E** for hand, and **I** for sleeve.

Head
Work same as papa's head.

Cap
With **C**, work same as papa's cap.

Hair
Row 1: With **A**, [ch 3, working in back bars, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next ch] 18 times. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing hair to cap. Sew last stitch to first stich. Sew hair to underside of cap edge.

FINISHING
Sew arms to sides of body, near top of tunic. Sew head to top of tunic. Sew cap to top of head. With **B**, embroider straight stitch mouth below nose.

GIRL
Legs (make 2)
Work same as boy's legs, using **G** for shoe and **E** for leg.

Skirt
With **I**, ch 48; taking care not to twist ch, join with slip st in first ch.
Round 1 (ruffle): Taking care not to twist ch, sc in first ch., sc in next ch, skip next 2 ch, [sc in next 2 ch, skip next 2 ch] 11 times; do not join, work in continuous rounds—24 sc. Place marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as work progresses.
Rounds 2 and 3: Sc in each sc around.
Round 4: Sc in next 5 sc, sc2tog, sc in next 10 sc, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sc—22 sc.
Round 5: Sc in next 5 sc, sc2tog, sc in next 9 sc, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sc—20 sc. Fasten off.

Waistband
Round 1: Place skirt around top of legs, join **H** with sc in first sc of waistband, beginning at back of legs, working through both thicknesses, sc in 8 unsewn sts of first leg, sc in next 2 sc of waistband only, working through both thicknesses, sc in 8 unsewn sts of 2nd leg, sc in last sc of waistband; join with slip st in first sc—20 sc. Fasten off.

Blouse
With **G**, work same as papa's upper tunic.

Arms (make 2)
Work same as papa's arm, using **E** for hand and **G** for sleeve.

Head
Work same as papa's head.

Cap
Work same as papa's cap.

Hair
With **D**, [ch 10, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 3 sc in each of next 4 ch, sc in next 4 ch] 5 times, [ch 3, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and next ch] 5 times (for bangs), [ch 10, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 3 sc in each of next 4 ch, sc in next 4 ch] 5 times. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing hair to cap. Sew last stitch to first stich. Sew hair to underside of cap edge, centering bangs at front of cap.

Finishing
Sew arms to sides of body, near top of blouse. Sew head to top of blouse. Sew cap to top of head. With **B**, embroider straight stitch mouth below nose.

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ABBREVIATIONS: ch = chain; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.