

Mistletoe—Christmas ornament

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I've created this FREE pattern for "Yarn-bombing for Peace" = knitting/crocheting small ornaments and hanging them out around the university/office/etc. to spread Christmas cheer. And mistletoe is part of Christmas, plus you can kiss under mistletoe, so it's handy to have some with you at all times.



Here's the pattern, I hope it's understandable enough, but if you have any questions please send a message and I'll try to help.

Materials

- crochet hook
- green yarn
- white yarn or white beads for berries

size depends on the yarn and hook you'll use, I used 3mm hook and the resulting ornament is around 10cm big.

Pattern:

Chain 14, slip stitch to the first chain – creating loop for hanging

Chain 10,
(always work following stitches through both loops of the stitches of the foundation chain)

slip stitch through the second chain from hook,

first leaf

chain 10 – slip stitch through second chain from hook,
single stitch to the next stitch ,
single stitch to the next stitch,
half double crochet in the next stitch,
2 half double crochet in next stitch
half double crochet in the next stitch,
single stitch to the next stitch ,
single stitch to the next stitch,
slip stitch at the end of the row (close to the stem),
ch1,
(work through the remaining “back” loop of stitches from foundation chain)
slip stitch to the closest stitch to the stem,
single stitch all the way back to the point of the leaf,
slip stitch to the last (top) stitch,



ch1, slip alongside the edge back to the stem, only working through the back loop of the stitches,
slip stitch close to the stem,

Second leaf

chain 12 – slip stitch through second chain from hook,
single stitch to the next stitch ,
single stitch to the next stitch,
single stitch to the next stitch,
half double crochet in the next stitch,
2 half double crochet in next stitch
half double crochet in the next stitch,
single stitch to the next stitch,
single stitch to the next stitch ,
single stitch to the next stitch,

slip stitch at the end of the row (close to the stem),
ch1,
(work through the remaining “back” loop of stitches from foundation chain)
slip stitch to the closest stitch to the stem,
single stitch all the way back to the point of the leaf,
slip stitch to the last (top) stitch,
ch1, slip alongside the edge back to the stem, only working through the back loop of the stitches,
slip stitch close to the stem to secure the second leaf.

Now you will work slip stitches (through both loops of the stitch) back along the “stem” to the loop you’ve created at the beginning.

If you want to add a second branch of small leaves, only do 7 slip stitches and stop a little bit from the end of the stem.

Chain 5

Slip stitch through 2nd stitch from the hook.

First small leaf

Chain 5,

Slip stitch through the second stitch from the hook,
Single stitch in next stitch
Single stitch in next stitch
Slip stitch at the end.

Second small leaf

Chain 5

Slip stitch through 2nd stitch from the hook.

Chain 5,

Slip stitch through the second stitch from the hook,

Single stitch in next stitch

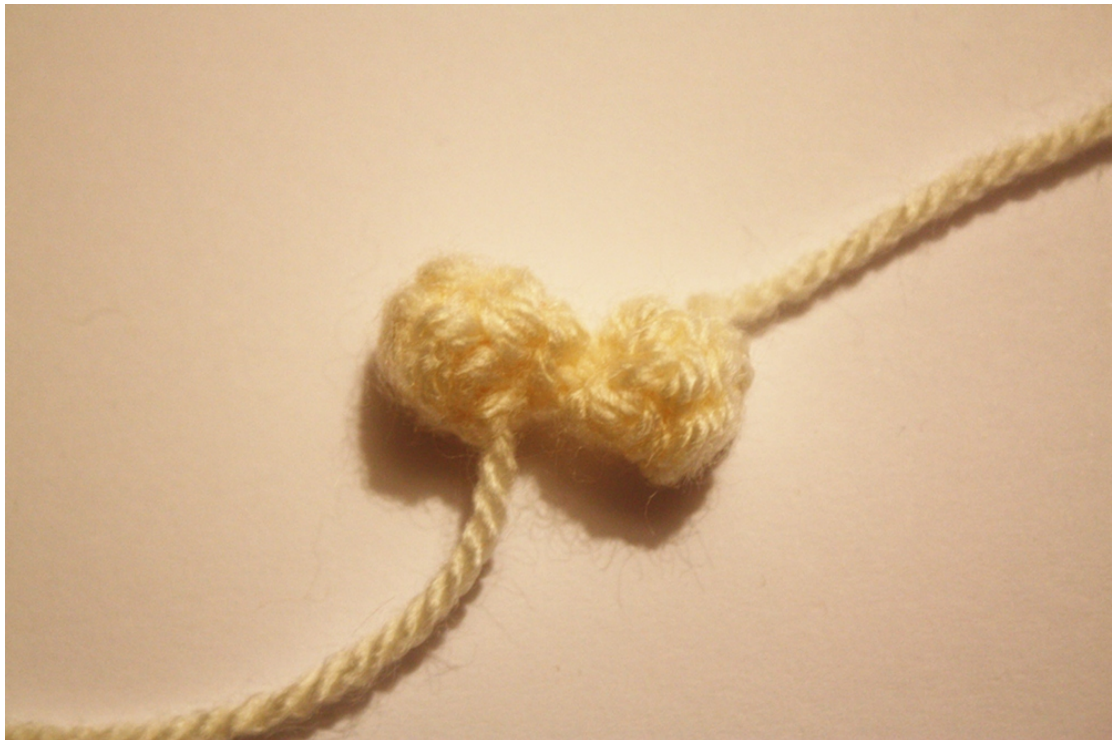
Single stitch in next stitch

Slip stitch at the end.

Finish slip stitches along the stem and fasten off.

Berries

This is not extremely exact process, you can improvise or use big white beads instead.



Start with magic loop – leaving longer end
8 single stitches through the magic loop

pull the end of the yarn to close the magic loop as much as possible.

Work slip stitches through first three stitches, then every second stitch

In a round, until a small ball forms.

Make two or so, slip stitches on top of the “berry” to get back to the base where you’ve started.

Chain one and make 6-8 single stitches through the loop, then continue slip stitches in first three, then every second stitch until you make second berry.



Slip one of the yarn ends through the stem between the two leaves.
Bring the yarn back to the front between the berries and tie a knot at the back
(with the second yarn end)

Wave in the ends.

Find someone to kiss under the mistletoe.



If you want to join the “yarn-bombing for peace” let me know, so I could include a link to your blog-post or photos somewhere on the web – doesn’t have to be only with this ornament. (if you want).

Merry Christmas.