

Nightowl

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Materials:

If worked with the suggested yarn, the finished figure will measure approx. 20 cm.

The listed wool and hook sizes are only suggestions. It is, of course, entirely your personal choice, which yarn you use.

- Yarn: several different personal favourites, small amounts of white, black and yellow (eyes, beak and feet) – I used Schachenmayr Catania colour.: silver (172), stone (242), sun (208), gold (249), vanilla (403), taupe (254), camel (179), cinnamon (383)
- Optional: black thread
- Crochet hook according to your yarn choice (for my yarn choice 2,0 mm – all components except, 2,5 mm - feathers und 3,5 mm - hat)
- Stuffing
- Pipe cleaners or craft wire
- optional: Safety eyes for the teddy bear, i used 6mm. Alternatively you can embroider the eyes.

Abbreviations (US Terms):

sc = single crochet

dsc = Drop Single Crochet - insert your hook into the row directly below the working row, work your sc as usual

hdc = half double crochet

MR = Magic Ring

ch = chain

st = stitch

slst = slipstitch

(-) x = repeat inside of () for x nr of times

You are working in continuous rounds, unless otherwise stated..

Owl:

Body/Head:

Colour of choice A, e.g. silver (main colour of the owl)

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. (sc, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
6. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)
7. (sc 5, inc) x6 (42)
8. (sc 6, inc) x6 (48)
9. (sc 7, inc) x6 (54)
10. (sc 8, inc) x6 (60)
11. (sc 9, inc) x6 (66)
- 12.-31. [20 Rounds] sc in each st (66)
32. (sc 9, dec) x6 (60)
33. (sc 8, dec) x6 (54)
34. (sc 7, dec) x6 (48)
35. sc in each st (48)
36. (sc 7, inc) x6 (54)
37. (sc 8, inc) x6 (60)
- 38.-47. [10 Rounds] sc in each st (60)

Stuff and shape the body

48. (sc 8, dec) x6 (54)
49. (sc 7, dec) x6 (48)
50. (sc 6, dec) x6 (42)
51. (sc 5, dec) x6 (36)
52. (sc 4, dec) x6 (30)
53. (sc 3, dec) x6 (24)
54. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)

Stuff and shape head

55. (sc, dec) x 6 (12)

Finish stuffing, adding more if required

56. Dec x6 (6)

Fasten off, close and sew in tail.

Feathers:

Colour of choice B, e.g. stone (Contrast colour of owl)

0.5 (1/2) hook size bigger than the main body (in my example 2,5 mm)

You are working in ROWS, at each end, turn your work and chain one.

1. chain 11, skip 1 ch, 10sc (10)
2. 1. sc inc, 8sc, last sc inc (12)
- 3.-5. [3 rows] sc in each st (12)
6. 1. sc inc, 10sc, last sc inc (14)
- 7.-9. [3 rows] sc in each st (14)
10. 1. sc inc, 12sc, last sc inc (16)
11. sc in each st (16)
12. 1. sc inc, 14sc, last sc inc (18)
13. sc in each st (18)
14. 1. sc inc, 16sc, last sc inc (20)

15. 1. sc inc, 18sc, last sc inc (22)
 16. 1. sc inc, 20sc, last sc inc (24)
 17. 1. sc inc, 22sc, last sc inc (26)
 18. 1. sc inc, 24sc, last sc inc (28)
 19. sc in each st (28)
 20. 1sc, skip 1 sc, 24sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (26)
 21. 1sc, skip 1 sc, 22sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (24)
 22. 1sc, skip 1 sc, 20sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (22)
 23. 1sc, skip 1 sc, 18sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (20)
 24. 1sc, skip 1 sc, 16sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (18)
 25. sc in each st (18)
 26. 1sc, skip 1 sc, 14sc, skip 1 sc, 1sc (16)
 - 27.-42. [16 rows] sc in each st (16)
 43. 1. sc inc, 14sc, last sc inc (18)
 44. sc in each st (18)
 45. 1. sc inc, 16sc, last sc inc (20)
 - 46.-65. [20 rows] sc in each st (20)
- Work one row of Picots (i use 5 chains instead of 3 and do not skip a st)*
66. 5ch, 1sc in the 1. ch (5th chain from hook), slst in next sc < - repeat to end of row
- End of, leave a very long tail for sewing.*

Eye (2x):

Make in white

To get a true circle, i worked in finished rounds, ended with a slip stitch and chain to start. You can, of course, work in continuous rounds.

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. (inc) x 6 (12)
3. (sc 1, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)

End of, sew in end or fix to the back of the eye.

Pupils (2x):

Make in black

1. MR - 9 hdc (9)

Close ring, leave long tail for sewing. The pupils are sewn to the bottom of the white eye. See photo for placement.



Eyelid (2x):

Colour of choice B, e.g. stone (contrast colour of the owl)

You are working in ROWS, turn your work at the end of each row and begin with a chain.

1. MR - 4sc (4) – *do not close, do not tighten*



2. Inc x 4 (8)
3. (sc, inc) x4 (12)
4. (sc 2, inc) x4 (16)
5. (sc 3, inc) x4 (20)
6. sc in each st (20)

Do not turn, chain 1 and crochet sc along the straight edge for a neat, nice finish, join with a slip stitch to the first stitch of the last row.

Place the eyelid onto the white eye, position the eyelid so that just about the bottom half of the pupil is still showing. Crochet the lid and the white of eye together with a single crochet, carry on around the bottom of the eye, you should have 30 stitches to the end of the round. Finish off with one last round of single crochet, worked only into the front loop. The eye is now finished. Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.

Beak:

yellow, e.g. sun

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. (sc, inc) x3 (9)
3. (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)
4. sc in each st (12)
5. (sc 5, inc) x2 (14)
6. sc in each st (14)
7. 6sc, inc, 2sc, 3sc in next sc, 3sc, inc (18)
8. sc in each st (18)

Fold the beak in half, crochet seam closed with a row of single crochet. Fasten off and leave a long tail for sewing.

Feet x2:

yellow, e.g. sun

I found a great video tutorial on youtube that shows how to make the talons, I personally much preferred using this technique to making individual talons (or fingers) and then sewing these together. You can find the video [here \(click\)](#) Be sure to adjust the stitch count to my pattern. :o)

1. MR mit 6sc (6)
- 2.-5. [4 Rounds] sc in each st (6)
6. (sc, inc) x3 (9)
7. sc in each st (9)
8. (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)
9. (sc 3, inc) x3 (15)
10. (sc 4, inc) x3 (18)

You will now work the first talon:

11. a) 2sc, insert hook into next stitch and then into 16th stitch (3rd stitch from end of round) finish 1sc, turn your work, insert hook again into 16th stitch (this time you are ONLY working in this one stitch) work 1 sc, 2sc (6)

- 12.a) -16. a) [5 Rows] sc in each st (6) – you are continuing 30 sc all around

Fasten off, cut yarn but do not close yet.

Turn your work so that the previously worked talon is to the right, your usual working direction. Repeat the steps for the 1st talon. Insert your hook into the last stitch of the first talon, yarn over and pull through..

- b) 1sc into next st, 1sc, insert hook into next sc AND 13th sc (6th sc from end of round), complete sc, turn your work, insert hook again into 13th stitch (this time you are ONLY working in this one stitch) work 1 sc, 2sc (6)

- 13.b) - 17. b) [6 Rows] sc in each st (6) – you are continuing 36 sc all around

Fasten off, cut yarn but do not close yet.

Both talons are on the right side of your work. Insert your hook again into the last stitch of the 2nd talon, yarn over, pull through. As this is the last talon, there are no special instructions for this part.

11. c) - 16. c) [6 Rows] sc in each st (6) - you are continuing 36 sc all around

Fasten off, cut yarn.

Insert pipe cleaners into each talon, starting with the middle one. I fold the end over and twist the end tightly to make sure no sharp ends poke through. Repeat with the other talons and close up. Thread a darning needle with the tail and pick up the front



loops of each stitch only, pull the end to close up, insert remaining tail back through the opening and hide inside the talon.

Leg (2x):

Colour of choice A, e.g. silver (main colour of owl)

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. inc x6 (12)
3. *in backloop only*: sc in each st (12)
4. (sc 3, inc) (15)
5. sc in each st (15)

Fasten off, leave long tail for sewing.

Sew foot to leg..

Wings (2x):

Colour of choice B, e.g. stone (contrast colour of owl)

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. Inc x6 (12)
3. (sc, inc) x6 (18)
4. (sc 2, inc) x6 (24)
5. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)
- 6.-7. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (30)
8. (sc 9, inc) x3 (33)
- 9.-10. [2 Rows] sc in each st (33)
11. (sc 10, inc) x3 (36)
- 12.-16. [5 Rounds] sc in each st (36)
17. (sc 10, dec) x3 (33)
18. sc in each st (33)
19. (sc 9, dec) x3 (30)
20. sc in each st (30)

Next you will work the feathers, following the same principle as for the talons.

Firstly, the small feather:

21. a) 3sc, insert hook into next sc and 27th stitch (4th stitch from the end of the round) work 1 sc, turn and insert hook again into 27th stitch (only this stitch this time) and crochet 1 sc, 3sc (8)

22. a) - 26. a) [4 Rounds] sc in each st (8)

27. (sc 2, dec) x2 (6)

Fasten off, close (see instructions for the talons).

Next follows the middle feather. Insert hook in the last stitch of the previous feather, pull yarn through:

21. b) 4sc, insert hook into next stitch and 22nd stitch and work 1 sc, turn work and insert hook into 22nd stitch (only this stitch this time) and crochet 1sc, 4sc (10)

22. b) - 28. b) [7 Rounds] sc in each st (10)

29. (sc 3, dec) x2 (8)

Fasten off close (see instructions for the talons).

For the big feather, insert the hook through the last stitch of the middle feather, pull yarn through, then work:

21. c) - 32. c) [11 Rounds] sc in each st (12)

33. (sc 2, dec) x 3 (9)

34. (sc, dec) x 3 (6)

Fasten off, close (see instructions for the talons).



All the individual pieces for the owl are now finished and can be assembled. (Refer to the following photos for help with placement. First, lay the feathers, with the picots facing downwards, onto the head and body, pin initially and sew when you are satisfied with your placement. Next, add the beak below the feathers on the face, add the eyes and sew down once you are happy with how they look.. Use a small amount of stuffing for the legs and sew them to the bottom of the body. If you are making the accessories for the owl, pin the wings in place and sew them after the teddy and candle holder have been finished and placed.



Hat:

Colour of choice C – hat colour (eg. creme)

Hook size 1.5mm larger than the other parts (for me 3.5mm) Measure and adjust the hook size if needed to ensure a proper fit of the hat.

- MR - 6sc (6)
- 6sc (6)
- inc, 5sc (7)

From here, increase in each round until you have a total of 48 stitches. It is best to offset the increases, for tips on how to do this, please see www.zhaya.de and look in the hints, tips and tutorial section.

Now continue as follows:

- (sc 15, inc) x3 (51)
- (sc 16, inc) x3 (54)
- (sc 17, inc) x3 (57)
- (sc 18, inc) x3 (60)
- [8 Rounds] sc in each st (60)

Finish off with one round of drop single crochet. To do this, insert the hook into the row directly below your working row and finish your sc as usual.

Fasten off, sew in tail.

Candle holder:

Flame: yellow, e.g. gold

1. 3ch, close with 1 slip stitch into 1st chain, 2sc in each ch (6)

2.-3. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (6)

4. 2sc, 3sc inc, 1sc (9)

5. (sc 2, inc) x3 (12)

6. (sc 3, inc) x3 (15)

7. (sc 4, inc) x3 (18)

8.-10. [3 Rounds] sc in each st (18)

11. (sc, dec) x 6 (12)

Stuff and shape

12. Dec x 6 (6)

Change colour to black

13.-14. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (6)

Change colour to candle colour (for me vanilla)

15. *Working in front loops only:* inc x6 (12)

16. (sc, inc) x 6 (18)

17. *Working in back loops only:* sc in each st (18)

18.-23. [6 Rounds] sc in each st (18)

Change colour to holder colour (for me taupe)

24. *Working in front loops only:* (sc 3, inc) x6 (24)

25. (sc 3, inc) x6 (30)

26. (sc 4, inc) x6 (36)

27. *Working in front loops only:* sc in each st (36)

28. *Working in back loops only:* sc in each st (36)

29. *Working in back loops only:* sc in each st (36)

30.-31. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (36)

32. (sc 4, dec) x6 (30)

33. (sc3, dec) x6 (24)

34. (sc 2, dec) x6 (18)

35. (sc, dec) x6 (12)

Stuff and shape, be careful not to overstuff. Take care with the rim of the candle holder. You can use a pipe cleaner for an alternative stuffing of the rim. To do this, form a ring big enough to fit.

36. Working in front loop only: sc in each st (12)

37.-46. [10 Rounds] sc in each st (12)

Stuff.

47. Dec x6 (6)

Fasten off, sew yarn.

Now form the wings to „hold“ the candle holder and Teddy, pin into place before sewing down securely.

And that's it :o)



Teddy:

Head/Body:

Colour of choice A – main colour for Teddy (e.g cinnamon)

1. MR - 6sc (6)

2. Inc x 6 (12)

3. (sc, inc) x 6 (18)

4. (sc 2, inc) x 6 (24)

5. (sc 3, inc) x 6 (30)

6.-10. [5 Rounds] sc in each st (30)

11. (sc 3, dec) x 6 (24)

12. (sc 2, dec) x 6 (18)

13. (sc, dec) x 6 (12)

Stuff and shape head.

14. (sc2, dec) x 3 (9)

15. sc in each st (9)

16. inc x 9 (18)

17.-18. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (18)

Finish stuffing head.

19. (sc 5, inc) x 3 (21)

20. sc in each st (21)

21. (sc 6, inc) x 3 (24)

In the next round crochet the tail (the little picot).

22. sc 1, ch 3, sc in 3rd ch from hook, slst in the same st as the 1st sc, sc 23 (24)

23. (sc 2, dec) x 6 (18)

24. (sc, dec) x 6 (12)

Stuff and shape body.

25. Dec x 6 (6)

Fasten off, close, sew in tail.

Ear (2x):

Colour of choice A – main colour of Teddy (e.g cinnamon)

Start with Magic Ring, work 7 hdc into ring, pull together, but do not close, fasten off. Pin then sew ears to the head.

Muzzle:

Colour of choice B – contrast colour for Teddy (e.g. camel)

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. inc x 6 (12)
3. sc in each st (12)

Fasten off, leave tail for sewing.

Fill in some stuffing, pin it to the head and sew it on.

Embroider the nose (I used thin black yarn, which is a bit nicer than with thicker yarn), attach or embroider eyes.

Leg (2x):

Colour of choice B – contrast colour for Teddy (e.g. camel)

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. Inc x 6 (12)

Change colour to colour A – main colour of Teddy (e.g. cinnamon)

- 3.-4. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (12)
5. 3sc, 3x stitch 2 together, 3sc (9)
6. sc in each st (9)
7. (sc 2, inc) x 3 (12)
- 8.-10. [3 Rounds] sc in each st (12)
11. Dec x 6 (6)

Fasten off, close and either sew in ends or, if you prefer, leave tail for sewing.

Arm (2x):

Change colour to colour A – main colour of Teddy (e.g. cinnamon)

1. MR - 6sc (6)
2. Inc x 6 (12)
- 3.-4. [2 Rounds] sc in each st (12)
5. (sc 4, dec) x 2 (10)
6. sc in each st (10)

Stuff the bottom of the feet, leave the top unstuffed.

7. (sc 3, dec) x 2 (8)
8. sc in each st (8)
9. (sc 2, dec) x 2 (6)
10. sc in each st (6)

Fasten off, close and either sew in ends or, if you prefer, leave tail for sewing.

