

Emerson, the Christmas Owl ***Amigurumi Crochet Pattern by AramisvonK***



Not just humans are yearning for Christmas and presents. Even our dear creatures of the forest appreciate a lovely gift. And they have their very own Santa: Emerson, the adorable Christmas owl, lovingly hands out presents from his little brown sack to all kind and well-behaved forest animals. It will be a merry Christmas for all - big, small and furry!

Material:

- ✓ Any type of yarn, e.g. cotton yarn (4 ply, 137 yds / 1.75 oz or 125 m / 50 g) in the colors light blue, dark red, dark brown and light brown
- ✓ Small amount of fluffy white yarn for the scarf and hat (4 ply, 142 yds / 1.75 oz. or 130 m / 50 g)
- ✓ Crochet hook in matching size, e.g. 3.5 mm/ D-3
- ✓ 1 pair of safety eyes or 2 black beads (ca. 12-13 mm)
if you are using any other weight of yarn than indicated, you might need slightly smaller or bigger beads here
- ✓ Filling material

Stitches used in this pattern

Abbreviation/ Term	US Term	UK Term
ch	Chain	Chain
sl	Slip stitch	Slip stitch
sc	Single crochet	Double crochet
hdc	Half Double Crochet	Half Treble Crochet
fphdc	Front-post half double crochet (see description below)	Front-post half treble crochet (see description below)
rev	Reverse single crochet	Reverse double crochet
inc	increase, work 2 stitches into one stitch	
dec	decrease work 2 stitches together	
Picot	[sl, 3 ch and then 1 sc into the 1 st ch]	
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[] square brackets	Repeat instructions in [] as often as indicated by the x	
() round brackets	Number in () indicates total number of stitches for this round	

Please Note:

If not indicated otherwise, this project is worked in spiral rounds, which means that the rounds are NOT connected by a slip stitch at the end of each round but instead just worked in continuous rounds.

To mark the beginning/end of a round, you can use, for example, a stitch marker, a safety pin or a short piece of yarn in a different color.

Special Stitches:

1) Front Post Stitches

How do we turn a “regular” stitch into a front post stitch?

Generally speaking, any front post stitch is worked **around** a stitch of the previous round instead of into the top of it as usual.

That means, after yarning over, you insert the hook **on the right side next to the stitch** of the previous round, lead the hook **around the back** of that stitch and come **to the front again on the left side** – you now have that stitch **in front of your hook**, so to speak (see picture below).

Then yarn over, pull that yarn around the back of that stitch of the previous round and then work your desired stitch as usual.



This way you can turn almost all kinds of stitches into front post stitches. It is only a matter of where you insert your hook.

I promise you, it might sound a little complicated but it actually isn't. Just give it a try. – However, if you should have any difficulties with this after all, please don't give up in frustration. Just drop me a message at aramis-von-k@gmx.net and I'll do my best to support you until we figure it out together.

2) Reverse Single Crochet

A reverse single crochet (rev) is basically like a regular single crochet, just worked in the opposite direction – **from left to right**, instead of from right to left as usual – without turning the work itself.

Insert the hook on the **RIGHT** side of the ch (instead of on the left), yarn over and work a single crochet.



Then insert the hook again on the **RIGHT** side of this sc, yarn over and work another sc Repeat until the end of the round.

