

# No Sew Crochet Ghost Pattern: Handmade Halloween Decor

This adorable little ghost is a perfect beginner-friendly project! It works up quickly, requires no sewing, and is super cuddly thanks to the plush yarn. Use the color variation tips to make your ghost unique!

**Skill Level:** Beginner

**Finished Size:** Approximately 4 inches tall

## Materials:

- **Yarn:**
  - White chunky or super chunky plush yarn (approximately 30 yards)
  - Optional: Small amounts of colorful yarn for details
- **Crochet Hook:** USG/6.5 mm (or size to match yarn)
- **Polyfill Stuffing**
- **Safety Eyes (9 mm)**
- **Scissors**
- **Yarn Needle**
- **Stitch Markers**

**Gauge:** Not critical for this project

## Abbreviations (US Terms):

- MR - Magic Ring
- SC - Single Crochet
- SL ST - Slip Stitch
- HDC - Half Double Crochet
- inc - increase (2 SC in one stitch)
- dec - invisible decrease (see instructions below)
- FLO - Front Loop Only
- BLO - Back Loop Only
- st(s) - stitch(es)
- rnd(s) - round(s)

## Special Stitches:

- **Bobble Stitch:**
  1. Yarn over, insert hook into stitch, yarn over, pull up a loop. (3 loops on hook)
  2. Repeat step 1 four more times into the SAME stitch. (6 loops on hook)
  3. Yarn over, pull through all loops on hook.
- **Invisible Decrease:**
  1. Insert hook into the front loop of the next stitch, yarn over, pull up a loop. (2 loops on hook)

2. Insert hook into the front loop of the FOLLOWING stitch, yarn over, pull up a loop. (3 loops on hook)
3. Yarn over, pull through all 3 loops on hook.

#### Pattern Instructions:

##### Head:

1. **Rnd 1:** 6 SC in MR. (6 sts)
2. **Rnd 2:** 6 inc. (12 sts)
3. **Rnd 3:** (SC, inc) x 6. (18 sts)
4. **Rnd 4:** (2 SC, inc) x 6. (24 sts)
5. **Rnds 5-8:** 24 SC. (24 sts)

##### Arms:

1. **Rnd 9:** 6 SC, bobble stitch, 10 SC, bobble stitch, 6 SC. (24 sts)

**Attach Eyes:** Between Rnds 7 and 8, 5 sts apart. Make sure they are symmetrical with the arms.

##### Body:

1. **Rnds 10-11:** 24 SC. (24 sts)

##### Frilly Edge Setup

1. **Place Markers:** At the end of Rnd 11, place a stitch marker in the first and last back loops of the round. This will help you find them later.

##### Frilly Edge:

1. **Rnd 12:** Working in FLO only: (SC, HDC, SC in next st, SL ST in next st). Repeat around. (12 "frills")

##### Body Shaping and Closure:

1. **Rnd 13:** Working in BLO of Rnd 11 only: 24 SC. Remove stitch markers from Rnd 11.
2. **Rnd 14:** (SC, dec) x 8. (16 sts)
3. **Rnd 15:** 8 dec. (8 sts)

##### Finishing:

1. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.
2. Stuff the ghost firmly with polyfill.
3. Using the yarn tail and a yarn needle, sew the hole closed through the front loops of the last 8 stitches. Pull tight and weave in the end.

##### Color Variations:

- **Spooky Ghost:** Make the eyes red or orange.
- **Rainbow Frills:** Use a different color for each frill in Rnd 12.
- **Boo-tiful Bow:** Add a little crocheted bow to the ghost's head.

##### Tips:

- **Increasing:** To increase evenly, space your increases around the round. For example, in Rnd 3, you'll do one increase every other stitch.
- **Decreasing:** Invisible decreases create a smoother look, but you can use regular decreases if you prefer.

- **Plush Yarn:** Plush yarn can be tricky to work with. Use a larger hook than usual and take your time.

Enjoy your adorable new ghost friend! 🧛‍♀️