Easy Crochet Christmas Tree Ornament

Skill Level: Beginner
Technique: Granny Square + Popcorn Stitch
Estimated Time: 15 minutes
Size: ~8 cm (3 in) tall

Materials:

- 5-ply cotton-acrylic yarn in **green**, **red**, **white**, and **brown**

- 2.5 mm crochet hook (US B-1)

- Scissors

- Tapestry (yarn) needle

💡 *Tip: You can use pure cotton for a crisp look, or acrylic yarn for a softer finish.*

🌲 Green Base – Round 1

With green yarn:

1. Make a **magic ring**.
2. **Ch 2** (counts as first dc).
3. Work **12 dc into the ring**.
4. Pull ring tight and **join with a sl st** to the top of beginning ch-2. (12 sts)
5. **Ch 1, cut yarn.** Fasten off.

🧵 *Tip: Keep your stitches loose so the circle lays flat.*

🍒 Red Popcorn Round – Round 2

Switch to red yarn.

1. Join red yarn to any stitch.
2. **Ch 3**, make **3 dc in same stitch.**
3. **Remove your hook**, insert it into the top of the ch-3, grab the loop, and pull through — forms one **popcorn stitch**.
4. **Sl st into next stitch**, then make another **4-dc popcorn**.
5. Repeat steps around the circle → **12 popcorns total.**
6. **Sl st to first popcorn** to close the round.
7. **Ch 1, cut yarn,** and fasten off.

🎄 *Tip: Popcorn stitches give a lovely 3D wreath effect.*

🟩 Forming the Square – Round 3

Switch back to green yarn.

1. Attach yarn to any stitch.
2. **Ch 2 (counts as first dc).**

3 In same st: **(1 dc, ch 2, 2 dc)** — this forms your **first corner.**

4 Next st: 1 dc.

5 Next st: 1 hdc.

6 Next st: 1 sc.

7 Next st: 1 hdc, then 1 dc.

8 In next st: **(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc)** — second corner.

9 Continue the same pattern around for all **four corners.**

10 At last corner, finish with **dc, hdc, sc, hdc, dc.**

11 **Join with sl st** to top of first ch-2.

🔲 *Tip: The different stitch heights help transform your circle into a neat square.*

🍃 Border Round – Round 4

1 **Ch 2, 1 dc** in next st.

2 In corner space: **(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc).**

3 Work **1 dc in each stitch** along the side until you reach next corner.

4 Repeat the corner pattern **(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc)** on each corner.

5 Continue around.

6 At end, **cut yarn leaving a long tail**, and join with an **invisible join.**

7 Weave the tail through the back stitches to a nearby corner.

💡 *Tip: This border gives the tree more structure for folding.*

🎀 Wreath & Bow Decoration

With white yarn:

1 Thread your **tapestry needle**.

2 Stitch small **zigzags** over the red popcorn stitches to form a snowy wreath look.

For the bow:

1 Chain **30** (or any length you prefer).

2 Cut yarn leaving a tail, shape chain into a **small bow.**

3 Use the tail to **attach the bow** at the top of your square or in a corner gap.

🎁 *Tip: Add tiny beads or sequins for sparkle!*

🌳 Shaping the Tree

1 Fold the **square in half diagonally** (corner with bow on top).

2 Use the yarn tail to **sew down one side**, matching stitches across.

3 Then **fold the bottom point upward** slightly to form the tree shape.

4 **Sew along the edge** again to secure.

🟫 Tree Trunk

With brown yarn:

1. Insert hook through **front and back corners** at the bottom.
2. Pull up loop and secure yarn.
3. **Ch 3.**
4. In same space: **3 treble crochets (tr).**
5. **Ch 3**, **sl st** into same space.
6. **Ch 1, cut yarn,** fasten off.

🔔 Finishing Touch

Add a **hanging loop** at the top using matching color yarn (green or white).
Weave in all ends securely.

✅ Your **Crochet Christmas Tree Ornament** is ready! Perfect for decorating your tree, gifting, or making garlands.