



Crochet Autumn Leaves and Acorns Hanging Decoration

Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial with Charts and Instructions



Materials



- Worsted weight cotton yarn (or acrylic yarn)
- Colors: orange, mustard yellow, green, cream, brown, dark brown
- 3.5 mm (E/4) crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Fiberfill (for acorns)
- Optional: fabric glue

Finished Size



Abbreviations (US Terms)

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch
sc	single crochet
hdc	half double crochet
dc	double crochet
tr	treble crochet
inc	increase (2 sc in same stitch)
dec	decrease (sc2tog)
st(s)	stitch(es)
R	round
rep	repeat
FO	fasten off
[]	work in same stitch
()	total stitches at end of round

Special Stitches

Single Crochet (sc)



Double Crochet (dc)



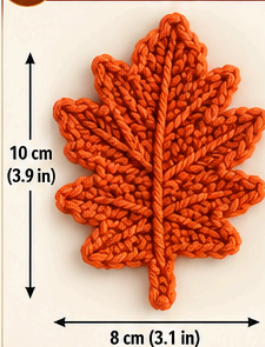
Treble Crochet (tr)



Slip Stitch (sl st)



1 Crochet Oak Leaf (Make 5 leaves in different colors)



Oak Leaf Chart

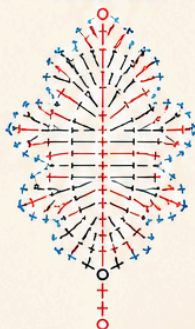


Chart Symbols

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Round 1 – Center Chain



Round 2 – First Side



Round 3 – Opposite Side



Round 4 – Edges



Round 5 – Finish



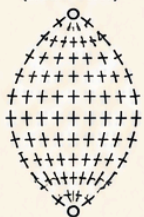
Leaf Back View



2 Crochet Acorn (Make 3 acorns)



Acorn Body Chart (cream color)



Acorn Cap Chart (brown color)



Chart Symbols

- = chain (ch)
- = slip stitch (sl st)
- ⊕ = single crochet (sc)
- ∨ = increase (2 sc in same st)
- ∧ = decrease (sc2tog)

1. Make the Body (cream)



- R1: 6 sc in magic ring (6)
- R2: inc around (12)
- R3-5: sc around (12)
- R6: dec around (6)
- FO, leave a long tail.

2. Make the Cap (brown)



- R1: 6 sc in magic ring (6)
- R2: inc around (12)
- R3: sc around (12)
- R4: sl st around (12)
- FO, leave a long tail.

3. Assemble



- Add a small stem: Ch 6, sl st in 2nd ch, sl st to end. Sew on top.

3 Make the Hanging Cord and Bow

1. Cut 3 cords



Cut 3 strands of yarn (about 50 cm each), or use cotton cord.

2. Make a loop



Fold in half to create a loop at the top.

3. Create the bow



Tie a bow. Leave long tails to hang the leaves and acorns.

4 Assemble the Decoration

1. Attach the leaves



Sew or tie the leaves to the cords, overlapping them as shown in the photo.

2. Add the acorns



Attach the acorns at different heights. Use a tapestry needle to sew securely.

3. Final touch



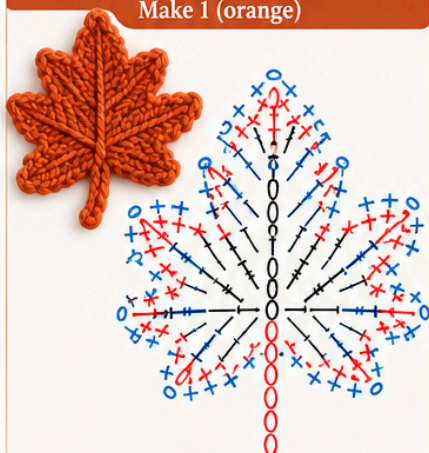
Adjust the arrangement and trim the ends. Your beautiful autumn hanging decoration is ready!

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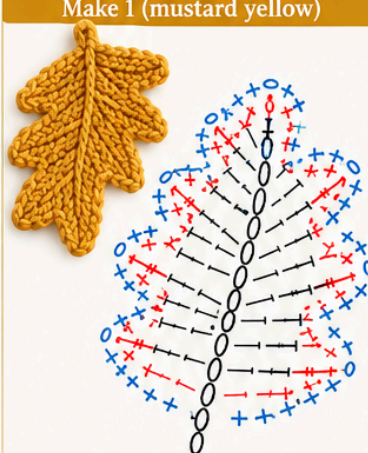
Stitch Charts Only (US Terms)



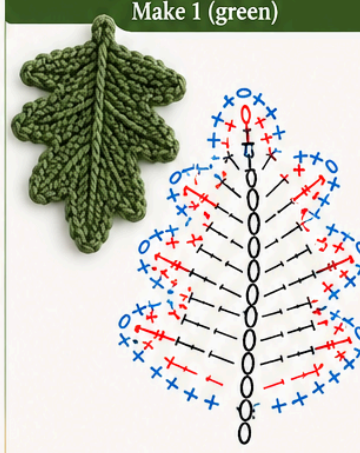
Maple Leaf Chart
Make 1 (orange)



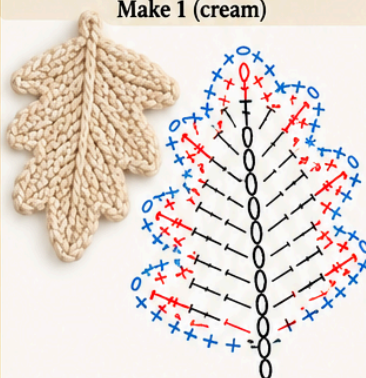
Oak Leaf Chart
Make 1 (mustard yellow)



Oak Leaf Chart
Make 1 (green)



Oak Leaf Chart
Make 1 (cream)



Oak Leaf Chart
Make 1 (brown)



Acorn Charts
Make 3 (cream and brown)

Acorn Cap (brown)



Acorn Body (cream)



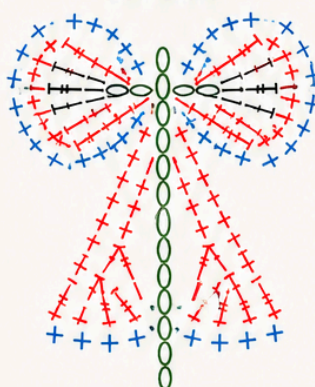
Stitch Symbol Key (US Terms)

- = chain (ch)
- = slip stitch (sl st)
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- ⊥ = single crochet (sc)
- ⊥ = half double crochet (hdc)
- ⊥ = double crochet (dc)
- ⊥ = treble crochet (tr)
- ∨ = 2 sc in same stitch (increase)
- ∧ = 2 sc together (decrease)
- = work in back loop only (BLO)
- ⌒ = work in front loop only (FLO)
- = direction of work

Hanging Cord and Bow



Bow Chart



Assembly Diagram (Stitch Placement)



Crochet Autumn Leaves and Acorns Hanging Decoration – Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial

Create a beautiful Crochet Autumn Leaves and Acorns Hanging Decoration using five colorful crochet leaves, three miniature acorns, and a rustic hanging cord finished with a decorative bow. This handmade fall ornament is perfect for decorating doors, walls, windows, seasonal displays, or cozy corners of your home.

This tutorial follows the supplied crochet infographic, using US crochet terminology, detailed stitch instructions, and a beginner-friendly construction sequence. You will learn how to crochet each leaf, shape the pointed edges, make stuffed acorns, assemble the hanging cords, and arrange all the pieces into a finished autumn decoration.

Important pattern note: The infographic provides the overall construction, starting chain, basic stitches, and simplified charts, but it does not specify every stitch placement for the leaf lobes. The written leaf instructions below provide a practical, repeatable interpretation of the illustrated design rather than claiming to reproduce an exact original stitch count.

Step 1 – Gather Your Materials and Prepare Your Workspace

Before beginning your Crochet Autumn Leaves and Acorns Pattern, prepare all your materials and choose the colors for your finished project.

Materials Needed

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- **Worsted-weight cotton yarn (Category 4), or acrylic yarn of similar thickness.**
- **Orange yarn for the central autumn leaf.**
- **Mustard yellow yarn for the second leaf.**
- **Olive green yarn for the third leaf.**
- **Cream or ivory yarn for the fourth leaf.**
- **Dark brown yarn for the fifth leaf.**
- **Medium brown yarn for the acorn caps.**
- **Cream yarn for the acorn bodies.**
- **Natural-colored cotton cord or yarn for hanging.**
- **3.5 mm (US E/4) crochet hook.**
- **Tapestry needle.**
- **Scissors.**
- **Polyester fiberfill for the acorns.**
- **Stitch markers (optional).**
- **Fabric glue (optional, for securing knots).**

Finished Measurements

The infographic shows the following approximate measurements:

Component	Approximate size
Complete hanging decoration	25 cm (9.8 inches) long
Overall width	15 cm (5.9 inches)
Large crochet leaf	10 × 8 cm (3.9 × 3.1 inches)

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**Miniature acorn 5 × 3 cm (2 × 1.2
inches)**

These dimensions are estimates. Your finished pieces may vary depending on yarn thickness, hook size, and crochet tension.

For a more structured appearance, cotton yarn is recommended because it helps the leaf points retain their shape. Acrylic yarn also works, although the leaves may be softer and require additional blocking.



Step 2 – Learn the Essential Crochet Stitches (US Terms)

The project uses several basic crochet stitches and a few shaping techniques. Understanding these stitches before beginning will make the entire process easier.

Crochet Abbreviations

Abbrevia tion	US crochet meaning
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ch	Chain
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sl st	Slip stitch
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sc	Single crochet
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hdc Half double crochet

dc Double crochet

tr Treble crochet

**inc Increase: 2 sc in the
same stitch**

**dec Decrease: single
crochet 2 together**

st(s) Stitch(es)

R Round

rep Repeat

FO Fasten off

BLO Back loop only

FLO Front loop only

MR Magic ring

How to Make the Main Stitches

Chain (ch): Make a slip knot and place it on your hook. Yarn over and pull through the loop on your hook. Repeat to create the required number of chains.

Slip Stitch (sl st): Insert your hook into the indicated stitch, yarn over, and pull through both the stitch and the loop already on your hook. This produces a nearly flat connecting stitch.

Single Crochet (sc): Insert the hook into a stitch, yarn over, and pull up a loop. Yarn over again and pull through both loops on the hook.

Half Double Crochet (hdc): Yarn over, insert the hook into the stitch, and pull up a loop. Yarn over again and pull through all three loops on the hook.

Double Crochet (dc): Yarn over, insert the hook into the stitch, and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through two loops, then yarn over and pull through the remaining two loops.

Treble Crochet (tr): Yarn over twice, insert the hook into the stitch, and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through two loops three times until only one loop remains.

Increase (inc): Work two single crochet stitches into the same stitch to expand the fabric.

Decrease (dec): Insert the hook into the first stitch and pull up a loop. Insert the hook into the next stitch and pull up another loop. Yarn over and pull through all three loops.

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Magic Ring (MR): Form an adjustable loop with your yarn, work the required stitches into the loop, and pull the yarn tail to close the center.

Step 3 – Crochet the First Autumn Leaf in Orange

The orange leaf is the central and most prominent piece of the decoration.

The infographic begins with a foundation chain of 12 stitches, followed by crocheting along both sides of the chain and shaping the leaf edges.

We will use that same construction principle to create a pointed, lobed autumn leaf.

Part A – Make the Central Foundation

Using orange yarn:

Foundation: Ch 12.

Row 1:

1. Work 1 sc in the second chain from the hook.
2. Work 1 hdc in the next chain.
3. Work 1 dc in each of the next 7 chains.
4. Work 1 hdc in the next chain.
5. Work 3 sc in the last chain.

Rotate the work so you can crochet along the opposite side of the foundation chain.

6. Work 1 hdc in the next chain on the opposite side.
7. Work 1 dc in each of the next 7 chains.
8. Work 1 hdc in the next chain.
9. Work 1 sc in the final available chain.

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You should now have an elongated foundation with a rounded lower end and two sides that will support the leaf lobes.

Part B – Create the Pointed Leaf Lobes

The leaf needs several projecting points to resemble the illustrated autumn leaf.

Work around the outer edge using the following method.

Small lobe:

- Sl st into the next edge stitch.
- Ch 3.
- Sc in the second chain from the hook.
- Hdc in the next chain.
- Sl st into the next available edge stitch.

Medium lobe:

- Sl st into the next edge stitch.
- Ch 5.
- Sc in the second chain from the hook.
- Hdc in the next chain.
- Dc in the next chain.
- Hdc in the last chain.
- Sl st into the next available edge stitch.

Large lobe:

- Sl st into the next edge stitch.
- Ch 7.
- Sc in the second chain from the hook.
- Hdc in the next chain.
- Dc in each of the next 2 chains.
- Hdc in each of the final 2 chains.
- Sl st into the next available edge stitch.

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Part C – Arrange the Lobes

Create the leaf shape by distributing the lobes along both sides.

For a balanced design, aim for:

- One small lower lobe on each side.
- One medium lobe on each side.
- One large upper lobe on each side.
- One pointed tip at the top.

For the top point, ch 6, then work sc, hdc, dc, hdc, and sc back along the chain. Secure it to the top of the foundation with a slip stitch.

Because the original chart does not define the exact anchor stitches for each lobe, space the attachment points evenly and adjust them to avoid crowding. You can work the lobes into the edges of the foundation stitches or use slip stitches to move between anchor points.

Part D – Add the Central Leaf Vein

The leaf in the reference image has a prominent raised central vein.

To recreate this detail:

1. Cut a separate strand of orange yarn.
2. Thread it through a tapestry needle.
3. Begin at the lower center of the leaf.
4. Work a line of surface chain stitches or embroidery chain stitches toward the tip.
5. Add diagonal branches extending toward the larger lobes.
6. Secure all yarn tails on the back.

This detail gives the leaf a more dimensional appearance.

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Part E – Create the Stem

Attach orange yarn to the bottom center of the leaf.

Ch 5, then sl st into the second chain from the hook and each remaining chain.

Secure the stem to the leaf base, fasten off, and weave in the ends.

Your first orange autumn leaf is complete.



Step 4 – Crochet the Remaining Four Autumn Leaves

The infographic features five leaves in different autumn colors.

Use the same basic foundation and lobe-shaping techniques described in Step 3, changing the yarn color and adjusting the lobe sizes to produce natural variations.

Leaf 2 – Mustard Yellow

Use mustard yellow yarn.

- **Begin with ch 12.**
- **Crochet along both sides of the foundation.**
- **Make elongated, slightly narrow lobes.**
- **Use medium and large lobes to produce a flowing shape.**
- **Add a raised central vein.**
- **Create a short stem.**

The yellow leaf should look slightly narrower and more elongated than the orange leaf.

Leaf 3 – Olive Green

Use olive green yarn.

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Follow the same foundation instructions, but make the upper lobes slightly wider.

Use a combination of small, medium, and large pointed lobes.

Add a raised central vein and diagonal branches.

The green leaf provides contrast against the orange and yellow pieces.

Leaf 4 – Cream or Ivory

Use cream-colored yarn.

Create another leaf with the same basic structure.

For a softer appearance, make the lower lobes slightly rounded while keeping the upper points defined.

Add the central vein using matching cream yarn.

This light-colored leaf will brighten the finished decoration.

Leaf 5 – Dark Brown

Use dark brown yarn.

Follow the same construction method, using slightly broader lobes to create a mature autumn leaf appearance.

Add a raised vein along the center.

This leaf will be positioned near the bottom of the finished hanging ornament.

Finishing All Five Leaves

Once the five leaves are complete:

1. Weave in all loose ends.
2. Gently stretch the leaves into their intended shapes.

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3. Pin each leaf onto a blocking mat.
4. Lightly dampen the cotton yarn if needed.
5. Allow the leaves to dry completely.

Blocking is especially useful for defining the pointed lobes and preventing the edges from curling.



Step 5 – Crochet the Cream-Colored Acorn Bodies

The infographic includes three miniature acorns with cream-colored bodies and brown caps.

We will begin by making the acorn bodies using single crochet in continuous rounds.

Make three identical pieces.

Round 1 – Create the Base

Using cream yarn:

Make a magic ring.

Work 6 sc into the ring.

Pull the yarn tail to close.

Total: 6 stitches.

Round 2 – Increase

Work 2 sc in each stitch around.

Total: 12 stitches.

Rounds 3–5 – Build the Acorn Body

Work 1 sc in each stitch around.

Total: 12 stitches per round.

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Continue working in a spiral without joining rounds.

Use a stitch marker to identify the beginning of each round.

Round 6 – Shape the Top

Repeat the following sequence six times:

- Sc2tog.

Total: 6 stitches.

Add a small amount of polyester fiberfill before the opening becomes too narrow.

The acorn should be lightly stuffed so that it retains a rounded shape without stretching the stitches.

Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail.

Thread the tail through the remaining front loops and pull gently to close the opening.

Repeat the same instructions to make three cream acorn bodies.



Step 6 – Crochet the Brown Acorn Caps

Each acorn needs a small brown cap.

Use medium or dark brown yarn to create a textured cap that fits over the cream-colored body.

Round 1

Make a magic ring.

Work 6 sc into the ring.

Total: 6 stitches.

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Round 2

Work 2 sc in each stitch around.

Total: 12 stitches.

Round 3

Work 1 sc in each stitch around.

Total: 12 stitches.

Round 4

Work 1 sl st in each stitch around.

This creates a slightly firmer edge.

Fasten off, leaving a long yarn tail for sewing.

Optional Textured Cap

For a more textured appearance, you can work Round 3 in the back loops only.

This creates a visible ridge between the top and side of the cap.

Repeat the process until you have three brown caps.



Step 7 – Assemble the Crochet Acorns

Now combine the cream-colored bodies with their brown caps.

Attach the Cap

- 1. Place the brown cap over the rounded end of the cream body.**
- 2. Position the cap so it covers the upper portion of the acorn.**
- 3. Thread the long brown yarn tail through a tapestry needle.**

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4. Sew around the lower edge of the cap using small, evenly spaced stitches.
5. Keep the stitches hidden inside the brown yarn.
6. Secure the thread inside the acorn.

Repeat for all three acorns.

Add the Hanging Stem

Using natural-colored yarn or cotton cord:

Ch 6.

Sl st into the second chain from the hook and each remaining chain.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Sew the stem securely to the top center of the brown cap.

Alternatively, pass a length of cotton cord through the cap and secure it with a hidden knot inside.

For the hanging decoration, the cord method is particularly useful because it allows each acorn to hang at a different height.



Step 8 – Make the Hanging Cords

The rustic cord is an important feature of the finished decoration.

According to the infographic, you will need three strands of yarn or cotton cord, approximately 50 cm (19.7 inches) each.

Prepare the Cords

Cut three equal lengths of natural-colored cotton cord.

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If using yarn instead of ready-made cord, you can create a thicker hanging strand by holding multiple yarn strands together or making a long crochet chain.

Form the Hanging Loop

1. Gather the cords together.
2. Fold them in half.
3. Position the folded section at the top.
4. Create a loop approximately 5–7 cm long.
5. Secure the cords beneath the loop with a tight knot.

You should now have several loose cord ends hanging below the top loop.

These ends will support the crochet leaves and acorns.

Make the Decorative Bow

Cut an additional length of cotton cord, approximately 30 cm long.

Form two equal loops and tie them into a bow.

Adjust the loops until they are symmetrical.

Leave the ends long enough to drape over the upper leaves.

Tie or sew the bow directly below the hanging loop.

The completed bow should sit at the top of the decoration.



Step 9 – Attach the Five Crochet Leaves

Before permanently attaching the leaves, arrange them on a flat surface.

This helps you visualize the final composition.

Recommended Arrangement

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Top center: Orange leaf

Upper left: Mustard yellow leaf

Middle right: Olive green leaf

Lower left: Cream leaf

Bottom right: Dark brown leaf

The leaves should overlap slightly, creating a full and balanced arrangement.

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Attach the Orange Leaf

Position the orange leaf near the top center.

Use the stem or a hidden yarn loop to attach it securely to the hanging cords.

Make sure the pointed tip faces upward.

Attach the Yellow Leaf

Place the yellow leaf below and slightly to the left of the orange leaf.

Allow part of the yellow leaf to overlap the orange piece.

Sew or tie it securely to one of the hanging cords.

Attach the Green Leaf

Position the green leaf on the right side, slightly below the orange leaf.

Allow the pointed lobes to extend outward.

Secure the leaf through its stem or central foundation.

Attach the Cream Leaf

Place the cream leaf beneath the yellow leaf.

Position it so that the light color remains visible.

Attach it to a lower section of the hanging cords.

Attach the Brown Leaf

Position the dark brown leaf at the lower right.

Allow it to extend slightly below the green leaf.

Secure it firmly.

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When all five leaves are attached, lift the decoration by its hanging loop to check how the pieces fall naturally.

Adjust the cord lengths if necessary.



Step 10 – Attach the Three Crochet Acorns

The acorns add movement, texture, and a realistic autumn touch to the hanging decoration.

The infographic shows the acorns suspended at different heights between the leaves.

Acorn 1 – Upper Right

Attach the first acorn near the upper right side, beside the orange and green leaves.

Allow it to hang freely.

Acorn 2 – Middle Center

Attach the second acorn between the yellow and cream leaves.

Position it slightly lower than the first acorn.

Acorn 3 – Lower Center

Attach the third acorn near the bottom of the decoration.

It should hang below the lower leaves to create a cascading effect.

Secure the Acorns

Use a tapestry needle to pass each hanging cord through the top of its brown acorn cap.

Make a secure knot inside the cap or stitch the cord firmly to the cap.

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Check that each acorn is attached securely.

The acorns should hang independently without pulling the leaves out of position.

✨ Step 11 – Shape and Finish the Decoration

Once all the leaves and acorns are attached, your Crochet Autumn Leaves and Acorns Hanging Decoration is almost complete.

Adjust the Arrangement

Hold the decoration by its top loop.

Allow all the pieces to hang naturally.

Check the placement of the leaves.

The orange leaf should remain prominent, while the yellow, green, cream, and brown leaves should create a balanced cascade.

Reposition any leaf that hides too much of another.

Secure Loose Ends

Use a tapestry needle to weave all remaining yarn tails into the back of the crochet pieces.

Trim any excess yarn.

For additional security, you may apply a tiny amount of fabric glue to concealed cord knots. Allow it to dry completely before hanging.

Shape the Leaf Points

Gently pull each pointed lobe into shape.

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If necessary, lightly mist the leaves with water and allow them to dry while pinned flat.

Avoid soaking the stuffed acorns.

Check the Hanging Loop

Make sure the hanging loop is strong enough to support the entire decoration.

Test it by holding the ornament above a soft surface.

The finished piece should hang evenly without twisting excessively.



Step 12 – Display Your Handmade Autumn Decoration

Your crochet autumn decoration is now ready to display.

It can be used as a seasonal wall ornament, a decorative accent for an interior door, or part of a fall-themed arrangement.

For a natural farmhouse appearance, combine it with neutral fabrics, wooden accessories, pumpkins, and other autumn decorations.

The five yarn colors create a warm seasonal palette, while the three miniature acorns add a charming finishing touch.

Avoid placing the decoration close to candles, open flames, or other heat sources.



Helpful Tips for Beginners

Keep your tension consistent. This is particularly important when making the five leaves, because uneven tension can cause their shapes to differ significantly.

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Use stitch markers. They are especially helpful when working the acorns in continuous rounds.

Do not overstuff the acorns. A small amount of fiberfill is enough to maintain their shape.

Experiment with leaf shapes. Because the illustrated leaf chart is schematic, you can adjust the number and size of lobes to achieve a closer visual match.

Block the leaves before assembly. This helps define the pointed edges and gives the ornament a cleaner appearance.

Arrange everything before sewing. Temporarily position the pieces with removable ties or clips so you can check the composition before making permanent attachments.

? Frequently Asked Questions

1. Is this crochet autumn decoration suitable for beginners?

Yes. The project mainly uses chains, single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet, treble crochet, increases, and decreases. Beginners should practice the pointed leaf lobes before making the complete set.

2. What yarn works best for this project?

Worsted-weight cotton yarn is a good choice because it provides definition and helps the leaves maintain their shape. Acrylic yarn can also be used.

3. Can I use a larger crochet hook?

Yes. A larger hook will generally produce larger, softer stitches. A smaller hook will produce a firmer fabric, which is especially useful for stuffed acorns.

4. How many crochet pieces do I need?

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The design requires five leaves in different colors and three miniature acorns, each made from a cream-colored body and a brown cap.

5. Can I make the decoration longer?

Yes. Increase the length of the hanging cords and position the leaves and acorns farther apart. Make sure the arrangement remains balanced.

6. Do I need to block the leaves?

Blocking is optional, but it is recommended for improving the shape of the pointed lobes.

7. Can I wash the finished decoration?

If all materials are washable, gently hand-wash the ornament in cool water with mild detergent. Avoid aggressive rubbing or twisting, and allow it to air-dry completely.

Conclusion

The Crochet Autumn Leaves and Acorns Hanging Decoration combines colorful leaves, textured acorns, and rustic hanging cords into a charming handmade fall ornament.

By following the steps in this tutorial, you can create all five leaves, crochet and assemble three acorns, prepare the hanging cords, and arrange the components into a decorative seasonal display.

The result is a beautiful crochet project that celebrates autumn colors and handmade craftsmanship, perfect for adding a warm, cozy touch to your home.