

# Crochet Christmas Tree Earring – Step-by-step Tutorial (English)

This PDF teaches you how to crochet a small Christmas tree earring like the one shown in the photo. The instructions are beginner-friendly and include materials, stitch abbreviations, a way to read the chart, and step-by-step directions to create the trunk, three stacked tree tiers, a tiny star, and finishing for earrings. The original stitch chart is included so you can compare the written instructions with the diagram as you work.

## Materials

- Green yarn (sport/fingering or light DK weight recommended) — small amount
- Brown yarn for the trunk — scrap
- Yellow yarn for a tiny star (scrap)
- Crochet hook 2.25 mm — 3.5 mm (choose based on your yarn; 2.75–3.0 mm works for typical earring size)
- Tapestry needle
- Small red seed beads or tiny pom-pom decorations (optional) for ornaments
- Earring hooks, jump rings and small pliers (for turning the motif into earrings)
- Scissors

## Abbreviations (US terms)

- ch — chain
- sl st — slip stitch
- sc — single crochet
- hdc — half double crochet
- dc — double crochet
- tr — treble (triple) crochet
- st(s) — stitch(es)
- RS — right side
- WS — wrong side

## How to read the included chart

The photograph you provided includes a stitch diagram. Here is a quick mapping of common diagram symbols to US stitches (use this when following the chart):

- Small oval = ch (chain)
- Small 'x' or '+' = sc (single crochet)
- Vertical line with a small horizontal bar = dc (double crochet)
- Longer vertical line (or vertical with an extra bar) = tr (treble)

This written pattern is an interpreted step-by-step version that produces a similar tiered tree shape. If you want to reproduce the diagram exactly, use the chart side-by-side and substitute the written stitches for the corresponding symbols above.

## Pattern overview (what you will make)

You will crochet:

- 1) A small rectangular trunk (worked first),
- 2) Three layered triangular tiers (bottom/widest, middle, and top), worked flat and stacked, and
- 3) A tiny star to top the tree.

Finally you will stitch the pieces together, add tiny bead "ornaments" if desired, and attach an earring hook.

## Trunk (brown) — make 1

1. With brown yarn and your chosen hook, chain 6.
2. Row 1: sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each chain across — 5 sc. Turn.
3. Rows 2–3: ch 1, sc in each st across (5 sc). Turn. (Total 3 rows).
4. Fasten off leaving a 6–8 cm tail for sewing. Weave in the small loose end on the backside.

## Bottom tier (largest green layer) — make 1

This tier creates the widest scalloped row at the base of the tree.

1. With green yarn, chain 15 (this determines the width of the bottom layer — adjust by  $\pm 2$  chains for size).
2. Row 1 (RS): sc in 2nd ch from hook and across — 14 sc. Turn.
3. Row 2: ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in next st and across so you have 14 dc across (including ch3). Turn.
4. Row 3 (sc row): ch 1, sc across all dc (14 sc). Turn. This sc row forms a ridge between tiers.
5. Edge scallops: To make the bottom scalloped border that shows in the photo, work along the bottom edge: \*skip 1 st, 5 dc into next st, skip 1 st, sl st into next st\* — repeat along the edge to create fan scallops. Fasten off leaving a long tail for assembly (or fasten off and weave in later).

## Middle tier (medium) — make 1

This tier is shorter than the bottom one and sits above it.

1. With green yarn, chain 11.
2. Row 1: sc in 2nd ch from hook and across — 10 sc. Turn.
3. Row 2: ch 3, dc across 10 sts (10 dc). Turn.
4. Row 3: ch 1, sc across (10 sc). Turn.
5. Add small scallops along the lower outer edge of this tier similar to the bottom tier but slightly smaller: \*skip 1, 3–4 dc in next st, skip 1, sl st\* across.
6. Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing.

## Top tier (small) — make 1

This is the point of the tree.

1. With green yarn, chain 7.
2. Row 1: sc in 2nd ch from hook and across — 6 sc. Turn.
3. Row 2: ch 3, dc across 6 sts (6 dc). Turn.
4. Row 3: ch 1, sc across (6 sc). Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing.

## Assembly

1. Block each piece very gently with a lightly damp cloth or by pinning to shape (optional for neatness).
2. Stack the three green tiers on top of each other: bottom (largest) at the back, middle centered above it, and top (smallest) centered above middle. Overlap each tier by about 0.5–1 cm so they look like a layered tree.
3. Using the long tails or a matching sewing thread, use whipstitch or ladder stitch to secure the tiers together through their centers — just a few stitches are enough since this is small.
4. Position the brown trunk centered under the bottom tier and stitch the trunk to the bottom tier by sewing across the top of the trunk into the base of the bottom layer.
5. Add any small red beads (sew them on as little “ornaments”) spaced across the tiers, or use French knots in embroidery thread for tiny dots.

## Tiny star (yellow) — make 1

A quick tiny 5-point star:

1. With yellow yarn, ch 5 and join with a sl st to form a small ring.
2. Round: \*ch 3, sl st back into ring\* — repeat 5 times, forming five little loops.
3. Reinforce each loop with a small sc into the base if you want sharper points, or wrap yarn around the center a couple of times to make the star body thicker.
4. Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing. Attach the star to the very top center of the top tier with a few stitches.

## Finishing and turning into earrings

1. Hide and weave in all tails neatly on the wrong side.
2. If you want a slightly stiffer earring, very lightly glue (craft glue) the wrong side of the tree to a small piece of felt cut to the tree shape. Let dry completely.
3. Make a small hanging loop: run a short length of yarn threaded through the top of the star/tree and tie a secure knot, or sew a tiny jump ring into the top center of the star.
4. Attach the jump ring to an earring hook. Use pliers to close the jump ring securely.
5. Repeat the whole process to make a matching pair.

## Tips & troubleshooting

- Adjust chain counts to make the tree wider or narrower — adding  $\pm 2$  chains to the bottom tier increases width proportionally.
- If the scallops look too loose, use a smaller hook for the scallop row only to tighten them up.
- To make a sturdier earring, use thinner yarn with a slightly smaller hook and add a felt backing.
- Use the included chart to refine exact stitch positions if you want a closer match to the original diagram; the chart is the authoritative map of the motif.

Reference photo & stitch diagram (as provided):



Enjoy making your tiny crochet Christmas tree earrings! If you'd like an exact row-by-row replica with stitch counts matched precisely to the diagram, tell me and I will create that version for you.