



## TASSEL GNOME 2022

## Tassel Gnome – December 2022

Materials Required – PLEASE BRING	Materials Supplied
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Scissors</li><li>● Embroidery needles</li><li>● Ruler</li><li>● Pen</li><li>● Crochet hook</li><li>● Optional - Other embellishments for the hat<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Beads and bead needles</li><li>○ Buttons</li><li>○ Metallic threads</li><li>○ Mercerized cotton (2/10 works really well for embroidery)</li><li>○ Fleece and needle felting kit</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Wool yarn (Approximately 20 yards sport weight)</li><li>● 4" x 3" piece of cardboard</li><li>● Felt – 6" square</li><li>● Embroidery Floss</li><li>● Pom-pom nose</li><li>● Holly sequins</li></ul>

### Step 1 – Make tassel beard

- a) Cut about 20 yards of yarn
- b) Cut 1 yard of that yarn and twist to make a cord – easiest if you work in pairs (finished cord will be about 16" long)
- c) Cut 12" of yarn and reserve
- d) Wind remainder of yarn around the cardboard (4" or 3" side depending on how long and full you want your finished gnome to be)
- e) Using the cord from step b) tie the wound yard at the top in a knot
- f) Slide yarn off of the cardboard and tie using the yarn from step c) at the top of the tassel – below the above knot
- g) Cut the loops at the bottom of the tassel and trim to even-out if desired
- h) Tassel is now finished (Illustration 1)

### Step 2 – Make Hat

- a) Cut out the felt hat (Illustration 2)
  - a. The size and shape of your hat will depend on how full your tassel is and how tall you want your hat to be
  - b. Measure and mark a 6" arc on one corner of the 6" felt square – then cut on the marked line. You will now have a cone-shaped piece of felt.
  - c. Loosely fit the hat on the top of the tassel and measure the overlap of felt needed to fit the tassel
  - d. If you have an overlap of ½" then cut off ½" on each of the straight edges. (The edges will be butted together without an overlap.) If you want a shorter hat angle the cut more towards the top.
  - e. Cut a small notch out of the top of the hat for the hanging yarn to fit through.
- b) Decorate the hat – there are no rules!
  - a. Embroider, sew on buttons, sequins or beads
  - b. Glue on "things" if you don't want to sew
  - c. Blanket stitch on the bottom or needle-felt a puffy edge on the hat – or leave as-is
- c) Attach the nose
  - a. Sew on a pom-pom or needle felt a nose and attach using needle felting needle
- d) Close the back seam of the hat using a simple joining stitch (Illustration 2)

### Step 3 – Assemble

a) Slide hat over top of tassel – threading cord from Step 1 e) through the top (crochet hook will help with this)

Illustration 1



Illustration 3



Illustration 2

