

Crochet Sleeping Bee Wall Hanging Tutorial

This adorable crochet wall hanging features a sleeping bee wearing a cozy scarf, resting on a lace-style background with a decorative flower accent. The project combines filet-style lattice crochet, amigurumi techniques, appliqué work, and dimensional embroidery details to create a charming handmade decoration.



Finished Size: Approximately 14 x 14 inches (35 x 35 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

Materials Needed

Yarn Colors

- Cream (background lattice)
- Light beige (border)
- Golden yellow (bee body and head)
- Dark brown (bee stripes and antennae)
- White (wings)
- Red (scarf and flower)
- Olive green (leaves)
- Black embroidery thread

Hook Sizes

- 3.5 mm hook
- 4.0 mm hook

Additional Supplies

- Polyester fiberfill
- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- Scissors
- Blocking board
- Measuring tape

Finished Measurements

Square Background

- Width: 14 inches (35 cm)
- Height: 14 inches (35 cm)

SLEEPY BEE APPLIQUE SQUARE

CROCHET DIAGRAM



STITCH LEGEND (US TERMS)

○	Chain (ch)
•	Slip stitch (sl st)
×	Single crochet (sc)
⋈	Half double crochet (hdc)
⋈	Double crochet (dc)
⋈	Treble crochet (tr)
⋈	3 Double crochet cluster (3 dc cl)
⋈	Puff stitch (pf)
⋈	Picot (ch 3, sl st in first ch)

COLOR GUIDE

●	Bee Head & Body (yellow)
●	Bee Stripes & Antennae (brown)
●	Wings (cream)
●	Scarf (red)
●	Cheeks (pink)
●	Flower Petals (red)
●	Flower Center (cream)
●	Leaves (green)
●	Background (cream)
●	Border (tan)

HOW TO READ THE DIAGRAM

- Work each round from the center outwards.
- Each symbol represents a stitch.
- Follow the round numbers on the right side.
- Change colors as indicated in the color guide.
- The bee, flower, and leaves are worked as appliqué pieces and sewn onto the background.

BACKGROUND SQUARE (GRANNY LACE)

- Rnd 1:** With cream yarn, ch 6, join with sl st to form a ring.
Ch 3 (counts as dc), 15 dc in ring. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. (16 dc)
- Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in same st, * ch 3, skip next 2 sts, sc in next st *
Repeat around. Join with sl st. (8 ch-3 spaces)
- Rnd 3:** Ch 1, sc in same st, * ch 3, sc in next ch-3 space *
Repeat around. Join with sl st.
- Rnd 4-8:** Repeat Rnd 3 to create the lace mesh.
- Rnd 9:** Ch 1, sc in each st and ch-3 space around. Join.
- Rnd 10 (Scalloped Border):** * 5 dc in next st, picot (ch 3, sl st in first dc), skip next st * Repeat around. Join with sl st. Fasten off.

BEE APPLIQUÉ

- Head (yellow):** Ch 2, work in continuous rounds increasing evenly to form a circle (use diagram). Embroider eyes (black) and smile.
- Body (yellow & brown):** Make an oval shape, changing color to create stripes.
- Antennae (brown):** Ch a chain, end with puff stitch for the tip.
- Scarf (red):** Work a band, tie in a knot, add fringe.
- Wings (cream):** Make 2 oval pieces.

FLOWER APPLIQUÉ

- Center (cream):** Magic ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, sl st to join.
- Petals (red):** 5 petals – each petal: ch 3, 2 dc, ch 3, sl st in center rings. Repeat 5 times.
- Leaves (green):** Ch a foundation chain, work hdc and dc to form leaf shape.
- Sew all appliqué pieces onto the background square as shown in the diagram.

FINISHED SIZE

Approx. 10" x 10"
(25 cm x 25 cm)
using worsted weight yarn
with 4.0 mm (G) hook

ABBREVIATIONS (US TERMS)

ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch
sc	single crochet
hdc	half double crochet
dc	double crochet
tr	treble crochet
cl	cluster
pf	puff stitch
rep	repeat
st(s)	stitch(es)
rnd	round
approx	approximately

Bee

- Length: 7 inches (18 cm)
- Width: 5 inches (13 cm)

Flower

- Diameter: 3 inches (8 cm)

Step 1: Crochet the Lattice Background

The background is made first and serves as the base for all appliqués.

Using cream yarn and a 4.0 mm hook:

Chain 41.

Row 1

Sc in the second chain from hook.

Ch 5, skip 4 chains, sc in next chain.

Repeat across.

Turn.

Row 2

Sl st into first chain space.

Ch 3.

Work:

- Sc
- Ch 3
- Sc

inside each chain space.

Continue across.

Turn.

Rows 3–18

Repeat Row 2.

The open spaces begin forming a diamond lattice pattern.

Continue until the panel measures approximately:

- 10 inches wide
- 10 inches high

Fasten off.

Step 2: Add the Inner Border

Attach beige yarn.

Round 1

Work sc evenly around all four sides.

Place:

- 3 sc in every corner.

Join with sl st.

Round 2

Work dc around entire piece.

Corners:

- 2 dc
- Ch 2
- 2 dc

in each corner.

This creates a neat frame around the lattice panel.

Step 3: Create the Large Scalloped Border

Continue with beige yarn.

Border Round

In every 6 stitches work:

- 7 dc in one stitch
- Skip 2 stitches
- Sc in next stitch
- Skip 2 stitches

Repeat around.

At corners work:

- 9 dc shells

to maintain the rounded appearance.

The finished border should measure approximately 2 inches wide.

Block lightly after completion.

Step 4: Crochet the Bee Head

Using yellow yarn.

Round 1

Magic Ring.

6 sc into ring.

Round 2

Increase in every stitch.

12 sc.

Round 3

1 sc, inc

Repeat around.

18 sc.

Round 4

2 sc, inc

Repeat around.

24 sc.

Round 5

3 sc, inc

Repeat around.

30 sc.

Round 6

4 sc, inc

Repeat around.

36 sc.

Rounds 7–12

Sc around.

Stuff firmly.

Round 13

4 sc, dec

Repeat around.

Round 14

3 sc, dec

Repeat around.

Fasten off leaving sewing tail.

Head diameter should measure approximately 3½ inches.

Step 5: Crochet the Bee Body

Using yellow yarn.

Round 1

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Round 2

Increase around.

12 sc.

Round 3

18 sc.

Round 4

24 sc.

Round 5

30 sc.

Round 6

36 sc.

Round 7

42 sc.

Rounds 8–10

Yellow.

Rounds 11–12

Brown.

Rounds 13–14

Yellow.

Rounds 15–16

Brown.

Rounds 17–18

Yellow.

Rounds 19–20

Brown.

Round 21

Yellow.

Stuff firmly.

Shaping

Decrease gradually over the final rounds until closed.

The body should be oval and slightly wider at the center.

Finished body length:

Approximately 5 inches.

Step 6: Create the Legs

Using brown yarn.

Make 4 pieces.

Each Leg

Chain 18.

Row 1:

Sc across.

Fasten off.

Lightly stuff or insert floral wire if desired.

Curve naturally before sewing onto body.

Each leg should measure approximately:

2 inches long.

Step 7: Make the Antennae

Using brown yarn.

Antenna Stem

Chain 12.

Work slip stitches back.

Make two.

Antenna Tips

Magic Ring.

6 sc.

Round 2:

Increase around.

12 sc.

Stuff lightly.

Attach to ends of antenna stems.

Sew onto head.

Step 8: Crochet the Wings

Using white yarn.

Make 2 wings.

Wing Foundation

Chain 12.

Work around both sides of chain.

Create an oval shape.

Continue increasing until wing measures:

- 3 inches tall
- 1½ inches wide

Work one final round of slip stitches around the edge.

Make a second wing.

Position slightly overlapping behind the body.

Step 9: Create the Red Scarf

Using red yarn.

Chain 55.

Row 1

Sc across.

Rows 2–4

Sc across.

Fasten off.

Fringe

Cut twelve strands approximately 4 inches long.

Attach six strands to each scarf end.

The scarf should measure approximately:

- Length: 10 inches
- Width: 1 inch

Wrap around the bee's neck and knot loosely.

Step 10: Embroider the Face

Using black embroidery thread.

Eyes

Create two curved sleeping eyelashes.

Place approximately 1 inch apart.

Add 3–4 small lashes on each eye.

Smile

Embroider a gentle curved smile.

Cheeks

Using pink yarn or embroidery floss:

Create small circular blush spots beneath the eyes.

Step 11: Crochet the Flower

Using red yarn.

Center

Magic Ring.

12 sc.

Join.

Petals

For each petal:

- Ch 3
- 3 dc
- 3 tr
- 3 dc
- Ch 3
- Sl st

Repeat 5 times.

The flower should measure approximately 3 inches across.

Step 12: Crochet the Leaves

Using olive green yarn.

Make 4 leaves.

Leaf Pattern

Chain 12.

Work:

- Sc
- Hdc
- Dc
- Dc
- Dc
- Hdc
- Sc

to tip.

Work opposite side of chain.

Join.

Leave long tails for sewing.

Each leaf should measure approximately:

2 inches long.

Step 13: Assemble the Bee

Position bee slightly off-center on the lattice panel.

Sew body first.

Attach head.

Add wings behind body.

Sew antennae to top of head.

Attach legs beneath body.

Wrap scarf around neck and stitch in place.

Step 14: Attach Flower and Leaves

Place flower in lower right corner.

Arrange leaves beneath flower exactly as shown.

Sew securely to background.

Step 15: Final Blocking and Finishing

Weave in all yarn ends.

Pin entire wall hanging to blocking board.

Shape the scallops evenly.

Open the lattice diamonds gently.

Allow to dry completely.

Your finished **Sleeping Bee Wall Hanging** will measure approximately **14 x 14 inches**, featuring a textured lace background, dimensional amigurumi bee, cozy winter scarf, decorative flower, and elegant scalloped border—perfect for nursery décor, seasonal decoration, or a handmade crochet gift.