

# Apple & Worm

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## Materials:

Hook size: 3.5 mm + 2.5 mm

DK or sport yarn in colors:

Green - leaf

Brown - stem

Red/Green - apple

Fingering yarn in color:

Pink - worm

1 Pipe cleaner

Stitch marker

Scissors

Knitting needle

Sewing needle + thread to match worm

Filling

Plastic safety eyes: Large for apple, small for worm

Felt for mouth Or: Black thread + sewing needle to sew eyes & mouth

## US Abbreviations:

ch - chain

PM - place marker

sl st - slip stitch

inc - increase

dec - decrease

sc - single crochet

dc - double crochet

## Leaf:

Hook: 3.5 mm, Green yarn

**row 1)** chain 7 chains

**row 2)** slip st 2nd chain from hook, sc, sc, dc, dc, 4dc in last ch

**row 3)** do not turn and work on opposite side of chain: dc, dc, sc, sc, slip st last st

**FO:** slip st, leave a long tail and cut yarn. Thread tail on knitting needle and pull it through last st. Pull tail through the back rib of the leaf to reach the starting tail.



## Stem:

Hook: 3.5 mm, Brown yarn

Working a 3 sc I-cord:

Ch 3. Insert hook into 2nd ch from hook, yarn over and draw up a loop, insert hook into next ch, yarn over and draw up a loop (3 loops on hook).

**Row 1)** Drop 2 loops from hook. Hold onto the dropped loops with your non-hook hand so they don't fall off. Yarn over and draw through remaining loop on hook. Insert hook into first dropped loop, yarn over and draw through (2 loops on hook). Insert hook into second dropped loop, yarn over and draw through (3 loops on hook).

Repeat row 1 - 9x times.

**Row 10)** Bind off leaving a tail, cut yarn. Thread tail on knitting needle and pull through inside the I-cord's core to reach starting tail.

## Apple:

Hook: 3.5 mm, Red/Green yarn, Plastic safety eyes  
Stuff apple as you go along with the pattern

**row 1)** magic loop 6 sc (6) PM

**row 2)** \*sc, inc\* 3x (9)

**row 3)** inc all (18)

**row 4)** \*2sc, inc\* 6x (24)

**row 5)** sc all (24)

**row 6)** \*inc, sc\* 12x (36)

**row 7)** sc all (36)

~ Connect stem and leaf to apple: Thread the tails of the leaf and stem on a knitting needle and pull tails through the top of the apple, so the parts are on the outside of the apple like in the pic. Hold all tails and pull on the apple's starting tail to close the opening. Tie the tails together tightly: Apple's tails to the stem's tail, leaf tail to the stem's tail, apple's tail with all other tails.

**row 8)** \*2sc, inc\* 12x (48)

**row 9-12)** sc all (48)

**row 13)** \*2sc, dec, 2sc\* 8x (40)

**row 14-16)** sc all (40)

~ eyes: between rows 14-15 and 7 sc apart.

**row 17)** \*2sc, dec\* 10x (30)

**row 18-20)** sc all (30)

**row 21)** \*dec, 8sc\* 6x (27)

**row 22)** dec once, sc all other (26)

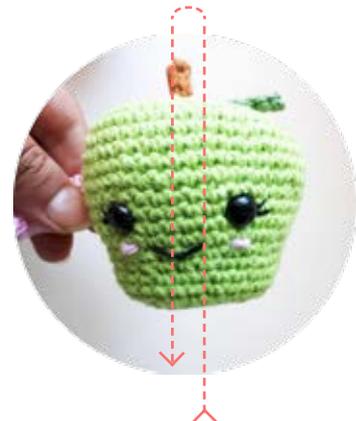
**row 23)** dec all (13)

**FO:** Remove marker. Leave a very long tail and cut yarn, pull through last sc to lock the st. Thread tail on knitting needle and pull it through all sc around. Pull tail tightly to close opening, Do not cut yarn.

Pull needle through bottom of apple, through the core and reach the top of apple.

Pull tail slightly to make the apple's shape and hold to keep it. Pull needle back down through the core to reach the bottom of the apple. Repeat if needed. Knot tail and hide inside apple.

~ Using felt or thread, add any type of mouth or smile you like, add cheeks using Pink yarn.



## Worm:

Hook: 2.5 mm, Pink yarn, Pipe cleaner,  
Tiny plastic safety eyes

**row 1)** magic loop 6 sc (6)

**row 2)** \*inc, sc\* 3x (9)

**row 3-15)** sc all (9)

~ eyes: between rows 2-3 and 1 sc apart.

**FO:** leave tail and cut yarn, pull tail through last sc and use it to sew the worm to the apple.

Bend a pipe cleaner to fit the length of the worm.

Twist pipe cleaner and insert inside worm. Sew worm to the side of the apple, slightly above the eyes.

