Gnometartic Snow Gauge and Snowflake Pocket

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This snow gauge can be used in a few ways. You can count how many inches of snow fell or you can count how many times it has snowed. You can even use it as a 12 days of Christmas Advent if you so choose.

Depending on the look you are after for the snow gauge, you can choose to apply velcro to the panel and the snowflakes OR you can add buttons to the panel and create snowflakes that hang from buttons, similar to the snowflake pocket.

The wall pocket can be just that, a pocket to hold all your snowflakes when not in use. It is meant to have five snowflakes dangling as part of the design. It can also just be winter decor if you prefer not to make as a pocket.

Whichever way you make things - \mathcal{L} ET IT SNOW!!

You will need for both projects:

If using Velcro to hang snowflakes:

Wonderland Panel-12815_blue1 Panel
Wonderland Snow-12822_cobalt blue ¹ /4 yd
Wonderland Snow-12822_red ¹ /8 yd
Wonderland Snow-12822_sky blue ¹ /4 yd
Winter Time Gnomes -12819_sky blue ⁵ /8 yd
Wonderland Scenic-12818_sky blue1 yd
Pellon Sew in Fleece 988 (45")1 yd
Fusible webbing / Wonder under ¹² x 17"
¹ /8" wide ribbon for <i>wall pocket</i> 1 ^{1/3} yd •
5/8" buttons for <i>wall pocket</i>
** These ADDITIONAL ITEMS needed below depend on how you'd like Snow Gauge to look by either using ribbon or velcro:
If using ribbon to hang snowflakes:
5/8" buttons for snowgauge
1/8" wide ribbon
OR

Let is Snow Wall Pocket

Sew panel front to backs using a 1/4" seam

L - Winter Time Gnomes -12819_sky blue.... Cut (1) 21 5 /8" x 10 3 /4" Backing

M - Winter Time Gnomes -12819_sky blue .. Cut (1) 21 $^5/8$ " x 10 $^3/4$ " Inside pocket attached to back

N - Winter Time Gnomes -12819_sky blue ... Cut (1) 21 5/8" x 10 3/4" Inside pocket attached to front

O - Batting/Interfacing Cut (1) 21 5/8" x 10 3/4"

For hanger: Cut (1) 20" piece OR (2) 7" pieces

(6) ⁵/8" Buttons

The wall pocket is finished on the inside as well as the outside, so you're basically taking two finished panels and sewing them together to make the pocket.

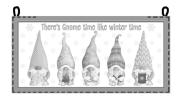


1. RST, Pin K & N together. Place O on top. Sew around perimeter leaving an opening for turning. Turn, tuck in seam allowance and sew closed.

Find the center point of panel. Sew a horizontal button hole centered in the top green border.

- 2. RST, Pin L & M together. Place P on top. Sew around perimeter leaving an opening for turning. Turn, tuck in seam allowance and sew closed.
- 3. Place KN on LM. Place the 20" ribbon in between layers to create hanger. Pin and top stitch the perimeter starting 2" from edge on top around ending 2" in from edge on other side of top. (This leaves the opening for the pocket). Find the center point on LM and sew button.

An alternate idea is to cut the 20" ribbon into (2) 7" pieces and make a loop hanger on both ends instead of one big hanger.



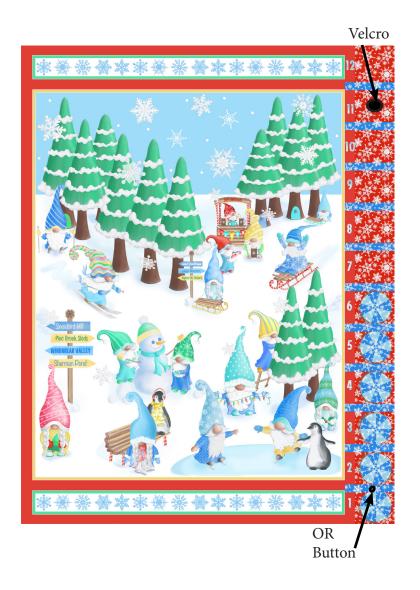
Topstitch close to edge to create pocket

- 4. To mark where your buttons will go, on the bottom of KN, mark the center point. Mark 3 $^{1}/^{2}$ from both sides of that point. Measure 3 $^{1}/^{2}$ from those points, mark.
- 5. Sew buttons on marks from step 4. You will be making snowflakes in the next section.

Gnometastic Snow Gauge

A- Large panel Cut out panel including 1/4" of the blue border	
When cut it should measure 21 ¹ /8" x 29 ³ /8"	
B- Wonderland Snow-12822_Cobalt Cut (9) 4"x 4" squares for half square triangles	
C- Wonderland Snow-12822_CobaltCut (1) 31/2" x 6" piece for measuring bars	
D- Wonderland Snow-12822_Red Cut (1) 31/2" strip for side panel	
E- Wonderland Snow-12822_Sky BlueCut (9) 4"x 4" squares for half square triangles	
F- Wonderland Scenic-12818_sky blue Cut (1) 24 1/8" x 29 3/8" for backing (check your cut for directional fabruary	ic)
G- Winter Time Gnomes -12819_sky blueCut (19) 21/2" circles for backing of snowflakes	
(use the excess fabric after cutting for pocket)	
H- Pellon Sew in Fleece 988 Cut 24 1/8" x 29 3/8" (this should be the size of A/D sewn together)	
J- Ribbon/Velcro	
Cut (3) 4" pieces for hanger	
If not using velcro you need (12) Buttons ⁵ /8" buttons	

If not using velcro you need (12) Buttons $^5/8$ " buttons K- No sew Fusible webbing/ Wonder under..10 x 17"

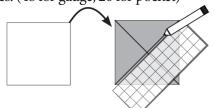


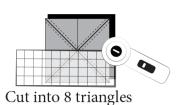
Making the snowflake half square triangles for both the Snow Gauge and the Wall Pocket

Use .25" seam allowance

1a. Using the 4" x 4" squares, Right sides together, pair up the light and dark fabric and draw 2 diagonal lines on the wrong side of lighter fabric

1b. RST, using the diagonal lines as guides, sew 1/4" seam on **BOTH SIDES of diagonal lines (DON'T SEW ON THE LINE)**. Make (4) 2" squares by cutting in half and in half again. Cut the diagonal lines of those pieces to make 8 triangles. Gently press open; you do not want to stretch your square. Square to $1^1/2$ ". Repeat for all squares. You will need 68 half square triangles. (48 for gauge, 20 for pocket)









1c. Sew your half square triangles together to create snowflake. Repeat to make 17. Trace and cut into $2^{1/2}$ circles.

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1d. **For Velcro:** RST, Pin and sew (12) 1c and G together, leaving an opening for turning. Turn and sew closed. OR

1e. **For button hanging:** Place 1c and G (RST,) loop J and place between 1c and G with the excess tail sticking out and loop inside circle. Pin & sew leaving an opening for turning. Turn and sew closed.

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1f. For Q cut (3) 6" pieces & Cut (2) 4" pieces of ribbon.

Place 1c and G (RST,) loop Q and place between 1c and G with the excess tail sticking out and loop inside circle. Pin & sew leaving an opening for turning. Turn, stuff and sew closed.





**Alternate advice for sewing the circles: RST, Sew all the way around the circle. Cut a slit in the back to turn right side out. stitch closed. This makes for a more round circle.

- 2. Sew D to right side of A panel. Press. Trim.
- 3. Apply K to C. Cut into (12) $3^{1/2}$ " x $^{1/2}$ " pieces.
- 4. Trace the numbers you would like to use for your panel onto K. Apply your K to excess E fabric. Cut out your numbers.
- 5. Layout pieces from step 3 to create gauge. They should be evenly spaced approximately every 2" on D. Measure evenly and fuse all pieces.
- 6. Fuse numbers from step 4 in between the C fabric pieces from step 5 as shown onto the panel.
- 7. Layer panel and backing with right sides together (RST). Loop (3) ribbons as you did with snowflakes and place in between layers making sure they are evenly spaced one on each end and one in the middle. Place the H on top. Sew around the perimeter using a 1/4" seam leaving an opening for turning at bottom. Turn and tuck in seam allowance. Sew closed. Top stitch panel by outlining the rectangles.
- 8. If using velcro, stick velcro onto D centered approximately every 2". Eyeballing is fine. Stick other side of velcro to the (12) snowflakes. OR Sew buttons centered on every C fabric strips.

1 2 3 4 5 67 8 9 10 11 12