WINE CORK CAT TOY - MOUSE

Materials needed:
Size G crochet hook, stitch marker, yarn needle, worsted weight cotton or acrylic yarn.

Tail: Chain 22. SC in 2nd stitch from hook and continue until the end.

Row 1: Make 6 SC in the last loop of the tail (in last SC). Mark the first stitch with the stitch marker.

Row 2: 2 SC in each stitch. Weave tail in securely. (12 total and move the stitch marker with each row crocheted.)

Row 3: SC in each stitch.

Row 4: SC in each stitch until the cork fits in the tube with at least a half stitch height above the top of the cork.

Ears: Using another piece of yarn, join it to the outside loop (good side of mouse) of one SC (will be using inner side to complete the mouse). CH 2. In the same SC, make 2 DC. SL ST in the same SC loop. SL St in outside loop of next SC, and the one after that. CH2, 2 DC and SL ST. Tie and cut yarn. Pull threads to the inside. To secure tails, knot the pieces together and put inside when cork is inserted. Continue to SC the row of the body of the mouse and crochet in the back loops where the ears were inserted.

Row 5: SC 2 stitches together (decrease). Continue to SC 2 stitches together until you can no longer insert the crochet hook. Chain 2 and pull tight to knot/bind off. Weave tail in securely.