

This is Gavin Garrett, and welcome to episode 8, the winter veil edition of the Domination podcast. Winter's Veil is here, and with it a whole new batch of things to do and a special meta achievement to go with all the cookies and presents.

*Something about spending a few days in Booty Bay during the winter veil feast sort of takes me out of the holiday mood. I mean, it's officially winter and I'm still running around in shorts here! Makes me miss Ironforge – now that's a place where you can get a good flagon of mead, and sings songs around the great forge.*

If singing dwarf song with a hammer and anvil percussion line is your idea of winter veil I'm not sure Booty Bay is the real issue there.

*It's tradition! Not quite as good as roasting a boar outside the gates of gnomer in the snow, but a close second.*

What I can't figure out is how you guys are like 500 yards from gnomer with all those level 70s and 80 and you still can't take your city back from a bunch of troggs.

*It's not as bad as you guys having an instance full of rebellious demons right in the middle of Orgrimmar?*

As you can hear, we have the very un merry moneybaggins with us today. We'll have to get Mr. Scrooge here back into some snow and a few pints in him before he turns back into his normal self. Wait, he IS being his normal self, perhaps we just need to buy him a mead to put him in a good mood for once – cheer up you little grouch – it's Winter Veil!

*Bah humbug!*

And in the booth we have the very merry Bonehammer.

**I'm always up for a party mon! I got me some cookies and milk and a nice little present for the two of ya later.**

Oh boy, that should be interesting – gifts from you mr Bonehammer often have – um – issues.

**What you mean mon?**

It's just that I'm not sure trolls really understand that dried frog pellet potpourri is something that anyone else would use as a holiday scent. Maybe a Hallows end trick instead of treat.

**Well, you might not have the refined nose it takes to smell what's good for yah, but you gonna love dis one today for sure. But the both of yah been a little naughty dis year, so I may be keeping it for meself.**

Well today we're going to get right to the point and tell all of you exactly what you need to know to get the meta achievement for the winter veil holiday – the Merrymaker. It's not all that hard, but we've got a few tricks for you as you move through all of these that will save you a lot of time and make it a lot more fun.

So let's get started!

### **Getting on wit da show mon!**

When you first start on the Merrymaker achievement, you'll want to do the quest related things first. Then you'll move on to the other things you can do by yourself, next comes the PvP stuff and finally a dungeon or two.

*Like most meta Achievements, you'll need to be pretty high up the food chain in order to get it all done. It would be best to be level 80 and well geared, although you could probably pull it off as soon as level 70. If you have some powerful friends you might be able to get it done at 60, but it certainly will take away from your real life holidays.*

Now, we're going to take all 12 of the achievements from the list a little out of order from what you will see on your screen, because we need certain items in order to do some of the quests. So run to either IF or Orgrimmar and pick up the two quests Metzen the Reindeer and Stolen Winter Veil Treats. We'll go save the silly deer first.

*This one is something most of you have probably done before. The reindeer metzen has been captured and the fine folks at smokeywood pastures have asked you to save him. We won't go through the whole rigamarole about doing this quest, but if you are having trouble with it just look it up on wowhead and you'll get all the information you need.*

Next, go knock out the Simply Abominable achievement– Grab the quest Stolen winterveil treats from the smokeywood folks Macey Jinglepocket in IF or Kaynard Copperpinch in Orgrimmar. The quest will lead you to Alterac Mountains to talk to the strange snowman. Well, it's a smokeywood representative disguised as a snowman – who will give you the next quest – The abominable greench. The Greench is nearby, although since most of the toons who have already killed him and gotten bored doing it every year will be back for the achievement, so camping this dude might be no fun this year. For you map coordinate type folks, you can find the snowman at 35,72 in Alterac, and the greench has regular spawn points on the west side of the mountains there near 30,60, or sometimes at 30,55. Be sure to farm some Holiday snow for snowballs before you leave Alterac.

*Once you get back to IF and turn these quests in, you can run straight to King Magni Bronzebeard and pop him with a snowball for the Scrooge achievement. You hordies will have to get to TB to pelt Cairne Bloodhoof. This is why we told you to be sure and stock up on snowballs when you did the greench. You don't need a lot of them, but pelting people with snowballs is fun anyway.*

A frosty Shake – once you complete the Greench quest, about a day later you'll get a winter veil disguise kit in the mail. Be sure to reserve a few snowballs since the kit requires a snowball to use. Then just head to Dalaran and use the /dance command to dance with another snowman for this one.

*Next you've got a lot of running around to do. Bros. before ho ho ho's is a serious pain for alliance, again look up the list on wowhead to find all 9 NPC's you have to mistletoe. Horde toons have it a lot easier as they only have to smooch 3 fellas. A little disturbing, but at least you get to kiss winter revelers first. Now, to get the [Mistletoe](#), all you need to do is type /kiss while having a [Winter Reveler](#) as your target. You may also get a [Fresh Holly](#) or [Handful of Snowflakes](#) when doing the /kiss.*

Now it's time to get with a little helper from my friends. This one requires you to get 50 honorable kills while in little helper form in any battleground. This one can be a pain for druids. Since you can't shapeshift without breaking the gnome costume, you're sort of stuck being lame and not able to kill stuff. So you'll just have to keep a low profile and mooch this one. The tough part is being in range for honorable kills. Perhaps Wintergrasp is the best place to get this one as a druid since you can use the siege equipment and get the kills that way.

*To get into the gnome suit you just climb into a Winter Wondervolt machine near the major cities and then go queue up for a Battleground. Keep in mind that you will lose the outfit if you zone, so you'll have to use the battleground master in the city where you get the outfit. The buff also will not last if you die, so every time you get nerfed in a BG you'll have to go get in your gnome suit again.*

While you're running around in your gnome suit – yes it hurts to think about it. (Hey now) You can complete the Let it Snow achievement by throwing snowflakes at all of the different race/class combination in the list. To do this, you'll need to use the snowflakes you got a little earlier.

*After that, you can nab Falalala Ogrilla by doing the daily gorilla bombing run on your reindeer mount. Now, druids can also have difficulty with this one if they do not have a regular flying mount since you can't do the reindeer transformation to yourself. It also won't work on magic carpets. But what you can do is complete the bombing run the regular way, and then right before you turn the quest in – transform a regular flying mount to a reindeer using fresh or preserved holly. But you must have at least one regular flying mount. Another neat trick for this is that flying carpets seem to be bugged for the bombing run and the flak cannons won't knock you off the carpet - Much easier. But you'll have to blow 100 gold to get this one done if you only have flight form or a flying carpet for a flying mount.*

The next two are super easy, but you'll have to wait for the presents to go under the trees on the 24<sup>th</sup>. He knows if you've been naughty automatically completes when you open any winter veil present, and Crashin and Thrashin completes when you play with the new

toy you get as a high level toon. The crashin Thrashin racer is not the same thing as the crashin thrashin robot, so you must complete this achievement with the new toy.

*Winter Veil Gourmet. To get this one done you'll need at least 325 cooking skill. Be sure to reference our previous tips at DYS on fishing with cooking. Shame on you and may you receive rocks in your stockings if you haven't done those already. You can get the recipes for everything you need to make from the smokeywood pastures vendors during winter's veil, and the mats aren't all that hard to come by if you look them up. The hardest part of this one will be for those people who were lazy and never leveled cooking. It's even harder if you didn't level fishing to DO cooking. But now is the perfect opportunity to catch both of those back up to speed.*

Tis the Season! Finally, you have to get all three bits of the winter veil lil helper suit and eat Graccu's Mince Meat Fruitcake while all dressed up. You get the boots from leatherworkers, and the clothes from tailors, but the hats are another story.

**Dat's right mon, you got three choices for getting dah winter hats, and none one of dem be easy.**

*What is he doing?*

**Hush mon, I got dis one. Dese hats always come from instance bosses, and dis year dey be comin from Jedoga Shadowseeker in Old Kingdom, Mage Lord Urom in da Oculus, and my favorite, and da easiest one ta get to – Grand Magus Telestra in da Nexus. And to help us today we got Telestra herself to join us!**

A Happy Winter's Veil to everyone! Gosh I am so excited to be here. I mean meeting Gavin Garrett face to face and everything! It's the best winter veil ever.

*That's not telestra!*

I could be – she has a split personality you know!

And which one would you be?

Fire of course! It's why I got the red hat. I was a little disappointed that I didn't get to drop the boots. When Blizz asked me to drop part of my outfit here I was like OMG SHOES! Let me drop the Boots! Don't you love these boots!

*I don't think you've got enough boots.*

Shut up! These boots rock! Anyway, so they gave me the hat, but that's ok at least it's the red one, which goes with the rest of my suit.

So – Telestra, or whatever your name is, why don't you enlighten us as to how to get that hat?

Well, you have to kill me of course! But don't worry I'll just respawn. Just go to the Nexus and take the left turn at the entrance, and I'll be waiting for you in my usual spot. I'm even wearing the hat when you get there.

The hat is a 100% drop rate so if you do this in the normal version of the instance and not heroic you can kill Telestra, reset the instance and do it again until everyone gets a hat if you want.

It's a little sad really. I don't ever get friendly visits.

*You're NOT telestra!*

No, but I AM a winter reveler which means I CAN give you fellas some snowflakes. Gavin, would YOU like some snowflakes? You need them for the Let it Snow achievement you know.

**Ya mon, you also be needin some fresh holly for dat bombing run. Go ahead and give da woman a kiss!**

*Yeah Gavin! You've been complaining about getting the gnome thing done, and at least this way you won't have to kiss one of those horrid orc ladies in Orgrimmar – or an orc male, talk about making you shudder!*

Here big G, I'll even come sit in your lap. And, I've got some mistletoe handy!

That's really not necessary.

It won't hurt a bit, there we go, see! I can also tell Greatfather Winter what you really want in your present. What does Mr Gavin Garrett want for Winter's Veil?

A podcast without women would be good.

AWWW, come on big boy, give us that kiss!

(Snickers)

**GAVIN GARRETT! WHAT IS GOING ON HERE!**

Oh noes

What's the matter Gavin?

*HAHAHA – Girlfriend Aggro!*

**Dang mon – she don't look too happy neither!**

**I come by to bring you this stupid fruitcake and here you are with a tart in your lap. A BLOOD ELF! I should shove this cake right up your nose – although it wouldn't be too hard. But the real problem is that I couldn't get to your nose because there is a woman's FACE up against it!**

Mooters, really, Bonehammer asked her to come in and talk about getting the hat for the winter veil quest

*Mooters?*

**Yah mon**

*Snicker*

I was just helping Gavin get his winter hat – and he really needs my snowflakes and holly.

**I bet! That's some talking she's doing. Can you only hear through your mouth today Gavin? You better just hop up there you little skinny nitwit, Gavin doesn't need anything from you.**

Oh really? Do YOU have fresh holly and snowflakes? And a red hat, and boots?

**I've got a little fresh smack down for both of you in about two seconds if you don't stand up right this instant.**

Sigh

So would you feel better if you caught him kissing another tauren maybe?

**He should be keeping his mouth to himself if he knows what's good for him.**

Talk about no holiday spirit. I certainly didn't mean to get you in trouble Gavin, I'm just a really big fan.

You're not helping woman, and get off my lap will yah.

AWWWW!

**And go put some clothes on you – you**

Now mooters, we all have to wear the outfit at some point.

**Yeah, you would like that wouldn't you. Every woman in the world in a little red hat, some hotpants, a scarf for a top, and some hussy boots.**

These boots rock!

**I've got a boot for you little missy**

Do you want to step outside?

**No you little waif, I'm going to save every last bit of this for mr kissy face over there.  
Oh, btw money, I saw Ellimace on her way over here – I'll be sure to let her know she  
can come get her snowflakes from little miss "come get my hat" over there. And as for  
you – know how bulls become steers?**

Oh good grief

**That's it, shows over, Gavin you are coming with me.**

We haven't done reader questions yet!

**You'll be lucky if I ever let you ever do a show again you kodo turd – now get!**

*I better leave too, before Ellimace gets here. I already went through this with a gnome reveler. Plus, she likes the green outfit, no offense sister!*

None taken! Night elf druids are all into the whole green thing. But at least she gets the same boots!

*Right – think you can shut this thing down Bonhammer?*

**Yah mon, me and dis fine young woman will be jus chill. Be good my little friend!**

*Peace!*

**Well now, I could use a little holly miss . . .uh . . .**

It's Nadiyya!

**Nadiyya, I sure hope mr gavin don't get too many bits shot off.**

I KNOW – I can't figure out why she got so mad – it's part of the holiday you know?

**You never can tell about dem women. Dat's why I don't keep one.**

It is kind of a shame though – I don't think she would look that great in the boots.

**Not many women would young lady.**

AWWW! Sweet! Well maybe I can find YOU some holly and snowflakes then mr Bonehammer.

**All righty den, let me just shut down dis show and we'll head back to Orgrimmar where da big party is den?**

Ok – That will be fun!

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