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Fernando

Gauge is not crucial with this pattern, however it will impact the size of the eyes you choose. I find that a worsted weight yarn, and a size F hook, gives consistent results for a 6 inch doll that pairs well with 14mm glass or safety eyes. There are 2 options here for the bottom of his feet. One is a fabric option which allows for added interest in the pattern and texture you choose. The other is to crochet the piece. Whichever option you choose, it's crocheted on to finish. HINT: This doll is assembled from the top down in a continuous spiral, however I like to start with the eyes, legs and arms... that way they're ready to attach when the head is done. Fernando is from my Dumpling collection, and prefers to remain in a seated pose.





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EYES: (make 2) Working in a continuous spiral, with color A.

Row 1: The eyes start with a magic circle into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 3: *1 SC in next stitch, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 4: *1 SC each in next 2 stitches, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (24 stitches)

Row 5: SC in next 24 stitches (24 stitches)

Row 6: *DCR 1, SC 1*, repeat* to end. (16 stitches)

Row 7: [DCR 1] 8 times. (8 stitches)

Bind off.

ARM (make 2)

Frog fingers: Working in a continuous spiral, with color A. (make 3 per arm)

Row 1: The fingers start with a magic circle (color A), into which 4 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (8 stitches)

Bind off and set aside first 2.

With the third finger, do not bind off. With yarn still attached to third finger, pick up one of the first two fingers and SC in 4 stitches of bind off edge. With yarn still attached to second finger, pick up and SC across all 8 stitches on bind off edge of last finger. Moving back towards third finger, SC across 4 stitches previously skipped on second finger, then finally SC across all 8 of original third finger.

Arm: continue from the joined fingers (24 stitches)

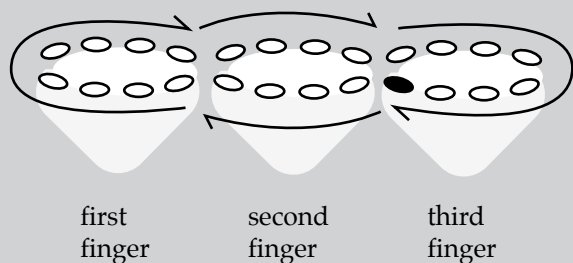
Row 1-3: Work SC across. (24 stitches)

Even rows 4- 14: SC across, decreasing 2 evenly over row.

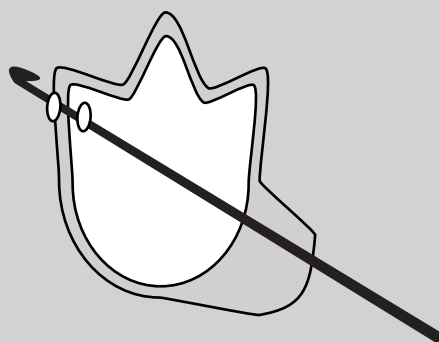
Odd rows 5-15: SC across.

After row 15 you should have 10 stitches, bind off and set aside.

finger diagram



bottom of foot diagram





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LEG (make 2) Working in a continuous spiral from the top down. Chain 13 and join. (12 stitches)

Row 1: SC across. (12 stitches)

Row 2: SC across INCR 2 evenly over row.

Repeat rows 1 & 2 until there are 26 stitches.

Next row: *SC in next 2 stitches, [HDC, DC, TRC, DC, HDC] in next stitch.* repeat 2 more times. SC to end and bind off.

BOTTOM OF FOOT: (crochet version)

Row 1: The foot starts with a magic circle into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: 2HDC in each stitch across. (12 stitches)

Row 3: *1HDC, 2HDC in next stitch* repeat across. (18 stitches)

Row 4: *1HDC in next 2 stitches, 2HDC in next stitch* repeat across. (24 stitches)

Row 5: 2SC in next stitch, *SC in next 2 stitches, [HDC, DC, TRC, DC, HDC] in next stitch* repeat 2 more times. 2SC in next stitch, SC to end.

BOTTOM OF FOOT: (fabric version)

Prepare a piece of fabric for embroidery by ironing flat, and optionally adhering a piece of fusible interfacing for stability. Next stand the bind of edge of the leg on the wrong side of the fabric and trace the outline for your foot onto the fabric. Now indicate each stitch on the traced line, this will allow you to line up your stitches perfectly later. Finally, using a chain stitch, embroider a chain for each stitch indicated on your foot tracing. When your embroidery is complete, cut out leaving about a .25 inch seam.

JOINING: Use this method to join the bottom of foot to leg regardless of which foot method you choose.

Join the bottom of the foot to leg by lining up the stitches on each (making sure to line up the toes) and SC around going through both pieces to secure. See joining foot diagram.



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HEAD Working in a continuous spiral

Row 1: The main body starts with a magic circle (color A), into which 6 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (6 stitches)

Row 2: *2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 3: *1 SC in next stitch, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 4: *1 SC each in next 2 stitches, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (24 stitches)

Row 5-14: INCR 3 stitches evenly over each of the next 10 rows, trying not to place increases in the same place row over row. Use a stitch marker to indicate the beginning/end of each row. (54 stitches)

Row 15: SC across.

Row 16-19: DCR 6 stitches evenly over each of the next 4 rows, trying not to place decreases in the same place row over row. (30 stitches)

Row 20: *SC in next stitch, DCR 1*, repeat until there are 15 stitches.

If you are using safety eyes, it's time to stuff the head and place the eyes. Use a whip stitch or ladder stitch to attach crocheted eye details to head first. If you are using glass eyes on loops you can place the eyes after the doll is complete. Eye size and placement is personal and can dramatically effect the look of your doll. For the felt eye detail, trace eye detail (figure C) onto your felt and cut out carefully. I prefer very small spring loaded snips for this job. If using eyes with posts or on loops, make a small slit in your eye details just large enough to fit the post or loop through. Now you can begin positioning your eyes. Once you have chosen the best position, attach firmly. Eyes on loops are best attached by threading a doll needle with yarn (color A) and going through the back of the head at what would be considered the base of the neck, coming out at the spot you want the eye to be. Place the eye loop through the felt detail, and thread the needle through the eye loop. Now pass the needle back through the front of the doll head to the base of the neck (needle entry point) and knot to secure.

figure A.

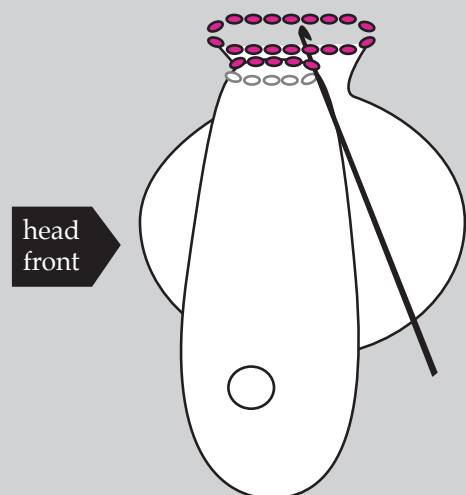


figure B.

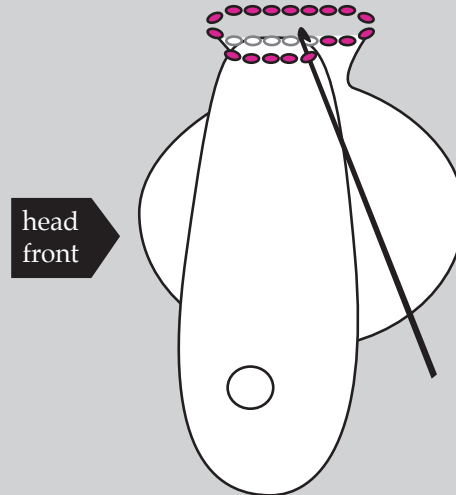


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BODY: Working in a continuous spiral, continue from center back (Row 20) of the head.

Row 1: SC in each SC. (15 stitches)

Row 2: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (18 stitches)

Row 3: Starting at the center back of the head, *SC in next 2 SC, attach arm by aligning 5 stitches of arm with next 5 stitches of body, SC through both layers of those 5 stitches, SC in next 2 SC* repeat* to attach second arm. (See figure A.)(18 stitches)

Row 4: *SC in next 2 SC, SC in the next 5 stitches of arm skipped in the previous row, SC in next 2 SC* repeat* to complete arm attachment (See figure B.)(18 stitches)

Row 5: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (24 stitches)

Row 6: SC in each SC. (24 stitches)

Row 7: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (27 stitches)

Row 8: SC in each SC. (27 stitches)

Row 9: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (30 stitches)

Row 10-12: SC in each SC. (33 stitches)

Row 13: SC, INCR 3 evenly over row. (36 stitches)

Row 14: *SC in next 6 SC, attach leg (with toes pointing in toward body) by aligning 6 stitches of leg with next 6 stitches of body, SC through both layers of those 6 stitches, SC in next 6 SC*, repeat* to attach second leg (36 stitches)

Row 15: Following the same technique as arm attachment, SC across picking up SC of legs skipped in previous row. (36 stitches)

Row 16-17: SC, DCR 6 stitches evenly over each of the next 2 rows, trying not to place decreases in the same place row over row. (24 stitches)

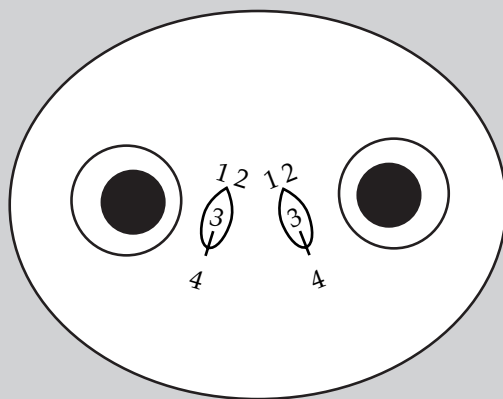
Row 18: *SC in next 2 SC, DCR* repeat 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 19: *SC in next SC, DCR* repeat 5 more times. (12 stitches)

Row 20: *DCR* repeat 6 times. (6 stitches)

Bind off with a long tail, stuff body, thread tail through the remaining stitches and pull to close.

figure D.





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Additional details:

SCARF: With color B, cast on 10.

Knit straight stitch 4 rows in color B, 4 rows in color C, 8 rows in color B. Next knit row, K2together across(5 stitches remain). Continue to knit in straight stitch approx. 4 inches. Next knit row, knit front and back of each stitch (10 stitches). Knit straight stitch 8 rows color B, 4 rows color C, 4 rows color B. Bind off.

FEATURES: Facial features really make the personality of your doll. With a contrasting color yarn, embroider the individual chain stitches as indicated (figure D), entering through the chin, and exiting in the same spot. Freckles can be added with french knots in the same contrasting color.







