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hook (size F)
scrap fabric

Scarecrow bear

Gauge is not crucial with this pattern, however it will impact the size of the eyes you choose. I find that worsted weight yarn (4 colors, approx 75-150 yds each, plus some additional optional colors approx. 3-5 yds each), and a size F hook, gives consistent results for a 12 inch doll that pairs well with 12mm glass or safety eyes. HINT: This doll is assembled from the top down in a continuous spiral, however I like to start with the arms... that way they're ready to attach when the head is done. In order to get the texture on the head and hands, alternate between SC and Spike stitch on rows as indicated. This technique is optional, the pattern will work as well without incorporating this stitch.

Make Bobble= *YO, insert hook into stitch YO and pull up loop* repeat* 4 more times, YO pull loop through all stitches on hook.

Picot= Slip stitch in next 2 stitches, ch 3, slip stitch in same stitch.

Spike=SC in next stitch one row below.





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ARM (make 2) Working in a continuous spiral

Row 1: The arms start 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: (Alternate SC and Spike across row)*1 SC in next stitch, 2 SC in next stitch*, repeat* 5 more times. (18 stitches)

Row 4: SC in next 18 stitches.

Row 5: Make bobble in next stitch (this is the thumb), (Alternate SC and Spike across row) SC in next 17 stitches.

Row 6: SC in next 18 stitches.

Row 7: In front loop only, *DC in next stitch, 2DC in next stitch*, repeat to end.

Row 8: Work picot across row. fasten off.

With color B, begin row 9 in back loops of row 6(skipped in row 7)

Rows (even rows) 10-24: DCR1 evenly over row**

Rows (odd rows) 9-25: SC in every stitch**

After Row 25 there should be 10 stitches. Continue working in SC until arm measures about 5 inches.

Fasten off and stuff.

EARS: (make 2) Working in a continuous spiral

Row 1: Like the arms, the ears also start 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 4-5: SC in each stitch (18 stitches)

Fasten off.

HEAD Working in a continuous spiral (Even rows 4-20, alternate SC and Spike across row)

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 in next 54 stitches.

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.

Row 21: In front loop only, *DC in next stitch, 2DC in next stitch*, repeat to end. Chain 1 and turn.

Row 22: Work picot across row. fasten off.

With color B, begin BODY row 1 in back loops of HEAD row 20(skipped in row 21)



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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: INCR 3 evenly over row. (18 stitches)

Row 3: Starting at the center back, *SC in next 2 SC, attach arm (with thumb pointing away from body) 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 5-6: INCR 3 evenly over row. (24 stitches)

Switch to color C.

Row 7: In front loop only, 5DC in next stitch, *DC in next stitch, 2DC in next stitch*, repeat to last stitch, 5DC in next stitch.

Work next row in back loops skipped here

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Rows (even rows) 8-16: INCR 3 evenly over row.

Rows (odd rows) 9-17: SC in each SC.

After Row 17 there should be 36 stitches.

Row 18-21: SC across.

It's time to stuff the head and place the eyes. Eye size and placement is personal and can dramatically effect the look of your doll. For the felt eye detail, trace figure C onto your felt and cut out carefully. I prefer very small spring loaded snips for this job. If using safety eyes with posts (or glass eyes with loops), make a small slit in your eye details just large enough to fit the eye backing through. Now you can begin positioning your eyes. Once you have chosen the best position, attach firmly.

figure A.

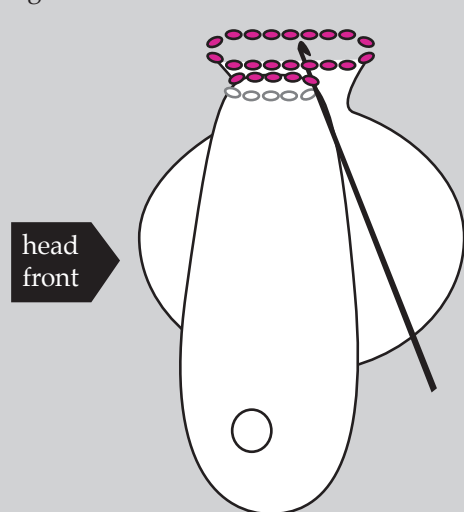


figure B.

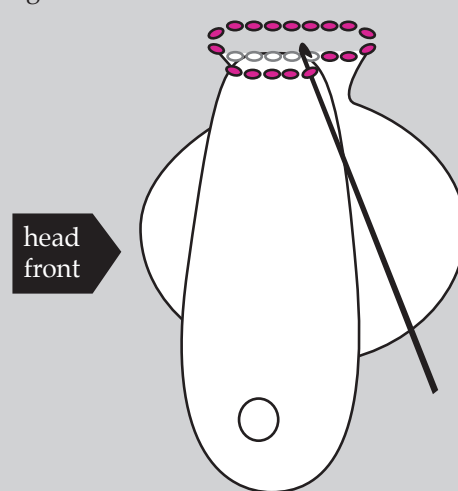


figure C.





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LEG/SHOE: Working in continuous spiral, from row 16 of body.

(LEG)

Row 1: Starting at the the center back of the body (with color C). Skip next 18 stitches, SC in next 18 stitches. This is the beginning of the first leg.

Row 2: SC in next 18 stitches of leg.

Repeat Row 2 until the leg measures about 5 inches long, switching to color B for the last 4 rows.

(SHOE)

Starting at the center back of the leg, switch to color A.

In front loop only, *DC in next stitch, 2DC in next stitch*, repeat to end. Chain 1 and turn.

Work picot across row. Work row 1 in back loops skipped here.

Row 1-3: SC across. (18 stitches)

Find the center front of your leg. Place a marker 2 stitches to the left and 2 stitches to the right of the center stitch

Row 4: SC in each stitch up to first marker. Into the first marked stitch make 3 HDC. HDC in next 3 stitches. Into the next marked stitch make 3 HDC. Continue SC to end. (22 stitches) Place marker in center stitch of each 3 HDC in each row to end of shoe.

Row 5: SC in each stitch up to first marker. Into the first marked stitch make 3 HDC. HDC in next 5 stitches. Into the next marked stitch make 3 HDC. Continue SC to end. (26 stitches)

Switch to color D. Slip stitch in front loops only across row (do not count as row). Row 6 is worked in back loops skipped here.

Row 6: SC in each stitch up to first marker. Into the first marked stitch make 3 HDC. HDC in next 7 stitches. Into the next marked stitch make 3 HDC. Continue SC to end. (30 stitches)

Row 7: SC in each stitch up to first marker. Into the first marked stitch make 3 HDC. HDC in next 9 stitches. Into the next marked stitch make 3 HDC. Continue SC to end. (34 stitches)

Bind off and stuff entire leg.

(BOTTOM OF SHOE working in continuous spiral—see chart)

With color D chain 7.

Row 1: SC in each chain to end, 3 SC in end of chain (toe). Working across the other side SC in each chain, 2 SC in end of chain (heel). (15 stitches)

Row 2: SC in next 5 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch, 1 SC in next stitch, 3 SC in next stitch. SC in next 6 stitches, INCR in next stitch. (20 stitches)

Row 3: SC in next 6 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch, SC in next 3 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch. SC in next 7 stitches, INCR in next stitch, SC in next stitch. (25 stitches)

Row 4: SC in next 7 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch, SC in next 5 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch. SC in next 9 stitches, INCR in next stitch, SC in next stitch. (30 stitches)

Row 5: SC in next 8 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch, SC in next 7 stitches, 3 SC in next stitch. SC in next 11 stitches, INCR in next stitch, SC in next stitch, bind off.(35 stitches)

To finish, use whip stitch, ladder stitch, or SC the bottom of shoe to the stuffed leg by lining up each stitch on the shoe with each stitch on the bottom of shoe and going through both layers to secure.

For the second leg, starting at the center back of your doll, attach color B and work in the 18 skipped stitches of row 1. Follow LEG/SHOE instructions from row 2.



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Additional details:

KNEE: Knees can be indicated with a small stitch (color C) through the leg from left to right about a half inch long. Remember to pull any knots to the inside with your crochet hook.

ATTACHING EARS: Attach ears using whip stitch or ladder stitch and a single strand of yarn (color A).

FEATURES: Facial features really make the personality of your doll. With a contrasting color yarn, embroider the “T” shape 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.

PATCHES: Embroidered patches are optional and can be made using a contrasting yarn. Using a straight stitch on the diagonal, start at the lower right corner and work up to the upper left corner using your crochet stitches as a guide. outline in another contrasting color using a stem stitch (or a running stitch).

TIES: The ties at the ankles and wrists are embroidered on using a chain stitch in color D or another contrasting color. The neck tie is as follows and tied in a knot around the neck. (Neck tie) Chain 61, in second chain from hook make 3SC, repeat 9 more times. slip stitch in next 40 chains, make 3SC in next chain, repeat 9 more times. Fasten off.

FRINGE: Optional fringe can be added by cutting up scrap cotton fabric into 2-3 in..x.125 in. strips. Attach with crochet hook by folding 1-2 strips over hook, insert hook under a stitch, wrap ends of fabric around hook and pull through to secure.

Bottom of shoe chart

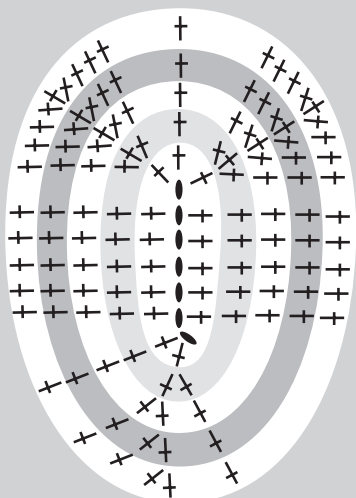
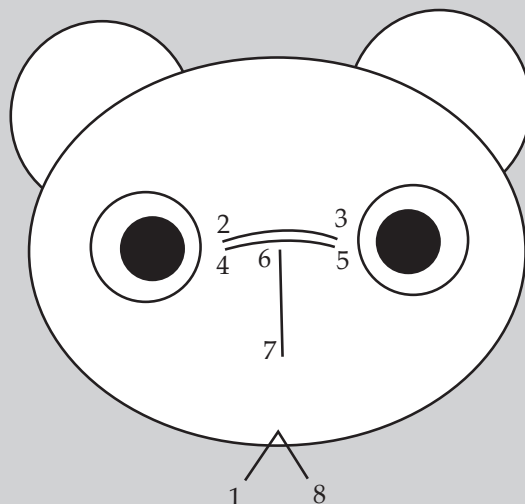


figure D.





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HAT: (optional)

Row 1: The hat starts with a magic circle (color C), into which 4 SC are made. Pull tail to close loop on magic circle. (4 stitches)

Row 2: INCR 1 every stitch across row. (8 stitches)

Row 3: INCR 1 every other stitch across row. (12 stitches)

Row 4: INCR 1 every other stitch across row. (18 stitches)

Row 5-15: 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. (51 stitches)

Row 16-20: INCR 6 stitches evenly over each of the next 5 rows. (81 stitches)

Row 21: SC across row.

bind off.

You can adorn the hat with almost anything, from old buttons to silk flowers.





