



Farmer

This yarn-driven farm needs a dynamite team of farmers to keep things running smoothly. These farmers are highly customizable, so feel free to add lots of details (such as unique hairstyles and fun clothing-color combinations) to make a farmer of your very own.

Skill Level:  **Finished Size:** Approx 6" tall and 3" wide

Materials

Yarns: All yarns are DK weight except for hair color 

- A Approx 30 yds in skin color
 - B Approx 30 yds in overalls color
 - C Approx 30 yds in shirt color
 - D Approx 20 yds in dark brown
 - E Approx 15 yds in light brown
- Approx 5 yds in yellow
Approx 5 yds in black
- MC** Approx 40 yds of DK, worsted, or bulky yarn in hair color (depending on desired hairstyle)

Notions:

- Size E-4 (3.5 mm) crochet hook
- 7 mm or 9 mm black plastic eyes with safety backings
- Small piece of craft felt to match overalls color
- Sewing needle and thread to match felt
- Tapestry needle
- Stuffing
- Stitch markers to indicate beginning of rounds (optional)

Head

Using A, make an 8-st adjustable ring (book page 68).

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 2: *Sc 3, sc 2 in next st; rep from * 3 more times. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: *Sc 1, sc 2 in next st; rep from * 9 more times. (30 sts)

Rnd 4: *Sc 4, sc 2 in next st; rep from * 5 more times. (36 sts)

Rnds 5-9: Sc 36.

Rnd 10: *Sc 4, sc2tog; rep from * 5 more times. (30 sts)

Rnd 11: *Sc 1, sc2tog; rep from * 9 more times. (20 sts)

Rnd 12: *Sc 3, sc2tog; rep from * 3 more times. (16 sts)

Rnd 13: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)
Stuff head.

Rnd 14: Sc 8.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.
Close up hole unless using plastic eyes.

Nose

Using A, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Sl st into next sc.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Ears

Make 2.

Using A, make a 6-st adjustable ring. Turn.

Ch 1, sc 6.

Sl st and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Body

Using B, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 2: *Sc 3, sc 2 in next st; rep from * 3 more times. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: *Sc 1, sc 2 in next st; rep from * 9 more times. (30 sts)

Rnds 4-6: Sc 30.

Change to C.

Rnd 7: In bl, sc 30.

Rnd 8: Sc 30.

Rnd 9: *Sc 1, sc2tog; rep from * 9 more times. (20 sts)

Rnd 10: Sc 20.

Rnd 11: Sc 1, with A sc 1, with C sc 1, sc2tog, *sc 3, sc2tog; rep from * 2 more times. (16 sts)

Rnd 12: With A, sc 3; with C, sc 13. (16 sts)

Change to A.

Rnd 13: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)
Stuff body.

Rnd 14: Sc2tog 4 times. (4 sts)
Fasten off and weave in ends.

Boot Tops

Make 2.

Using D, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 3 in next st, sc 2 in next st. (10 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 3, sc 2 in each of next 7 sts. (17 sts)

Rnds 3-5: Sc 17.

Rnd 6: Sc 1, sc2tog 8 times. (9 sts)



Rnds 7 and 8: Sc 9.

Stuff and fasten off. Close hole at back of boot.

Boot Soles

Make 2.

Using E, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 16.

Rnd 3: Hdc 2 in next st, dc 2 in next st, tr 2 in next st, dc 2 in next st, hdc 2 in next st, sl st 11. Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Thumbs

Make 2.

Using A, ch 6. Starting in second ch from hook, sc 5.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Hands

Make 2.

Using A, make a 6-st adjustable ring. Turn.

Ch 1, sc 1, hdc 1, dc 1, hdc 1, sc 1, sl st 1.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Arms

Make 2.

Using A, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 3, hdc 1, dc 1, hdc 1. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 3 in next st, sc 2 in next st. (10 sts)
Change to C.

Rnd 3: In fl, sc 10.

Rnd 4: *Sc 3, sc2tog; rep from * 1 more time. (8 sts)

Rnd 5: Sc 8.

Stuff and fasten off. Flatten seam and sew closed, leaving a long tail.

Overalls-Panel Front

Using B, loosely ch 7.

Row 1: Starting in second ch and working in back ridge loops, sc 6. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 6.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Overalls-Panel Back

Using B, loosely ch 7.

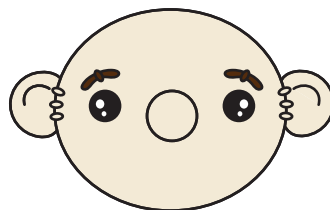
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Row 2: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn. (6 sts)

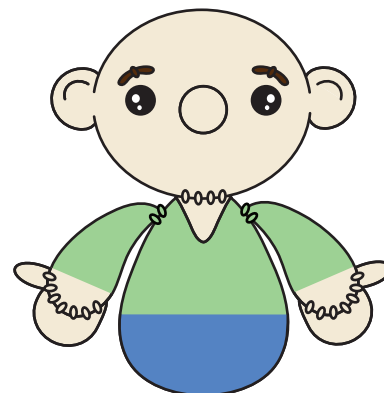
Row 3: Ch 1, sl st 1, ch 13, starting in second ch from hook, sl st 12, sc 4, sl st 1, ch 13, starting in second ch from hook, sl st 12. Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Assembly

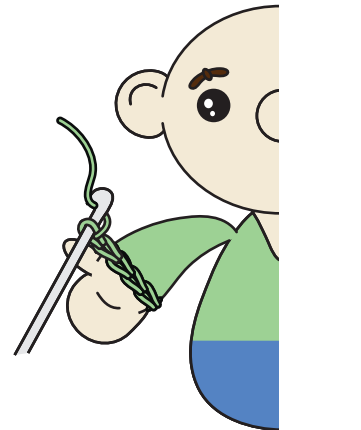
1 With opening in head facing down, attach plastic eyes 7 rnds from top of head with 5 sts between eyes. Close hole at bottom of head. If you prefer, sew or glue black felt circles (patt on book page 75) for eyes, or use black to make French knots (book page 71). Attach nose between eyes. Attach ears to sides of head in line with eyes and nose. Use MC to embroider eyebrows with a lazy daisy st (book page 71).



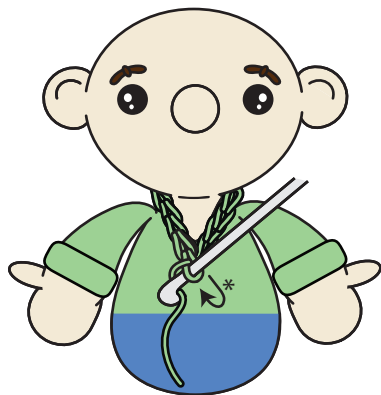
2 Attach head to body at neck. Sew arms to body at shoulders. Sew hands and thumbs to ends of arms.



3 Add crochet details around cuffs and shirt collar as follows: *For cuffs*, sc onto surface (book page 70) of arm directly over shirt-color round directly next to skin-color round. Cont all around until you reach first sc, sl st, and fasten off.

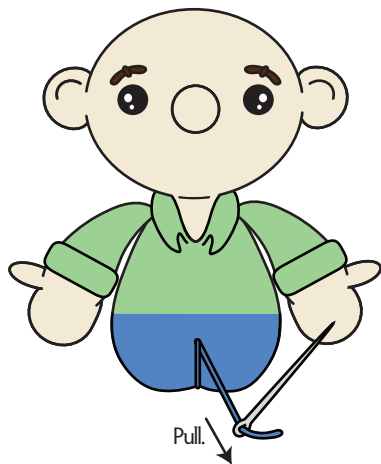


4 For shirt, use C, sc onto surface of body starting at bottom of the V-neck and follow outline of shirt edge up and around neck. Cont sc down front of shirt until you reach first sc, ch 2, and turn. Hdc in each sc until you reach starting position. Sl st in last sc and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

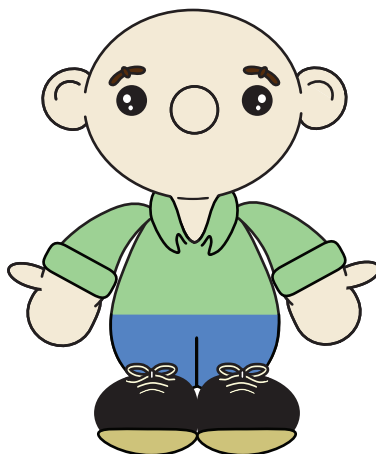


*Chain and turn.

5 Using black, pull yarn through body from back to front about 4 rnds from bottom of pants. Circle around bottom to back and rep, pulling on yarn tightly to form 2 distinctive leg shapes. Pull yarn around and through at least 1 more time before fastening off.



6 Attach boot sole to bottom of boot with RS facing out and hdc, dc, and tr sts oriented toward front of boot. Attach boots to bottom of legs. Using yellow, add 3 short sts and a bow to top of each boot for shoelaces.



7 Sew front and back overalls panels to top edge of overalls rnd on body. Cross straps in back or leave straight and secure front of straps to top corners of front overalls panel. Using B, make sts at various points along straps to secure everything in place. With yellow, make a French knot on front of each strap end for a button.

8 Cut out 3 pockets (patt below) from felt to match overalls. Sew larger pocket to front of overalls and the 2 smaller pockets to back, taking care to only sew sides and bottoms of the pockets to overalls.

Yarns Used

Red Hair Farmer

Knit Picks CotLin DK Yarn in Swan, Raindrop, Linen, Coffee, Cashew, and Canary

Knit Picks Swish DK Yarn in Garnet Heather

White Beard Farmer

Knit Picks CotLin DK Yarn in Swan, Raindrop, Linen, Coffee, Cashew, and Canary, and Nightfall

Knit Picks Swish DK Yarn in White

Brown Hair Farmer

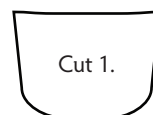
Knit Picks CotLin DK Yarn in Cashew, Pomegranate, Raindrop, Linen, Coffee 24138, and Canary

Lion Brand Fun Fur Yarn in Chocolate

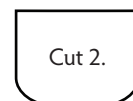
Black Hair Farmer

Knit Picks CotLin DK Yarn in Raindrop, Coffee, Lilac, Cashew, Canary, Linen, and Black

Knit Picks Swish DK Yarn in Coal



Farmer front pocket



Farmer back pocket



Hair Options

Using desired yarn for hair, choose from the following techniques (listed according to difficulty, from easy to challenging) to finish your farmer.

Bald: What could be easier? But do consider getting this farmer a hat when he's out in the field on a hot day!

Fringe hair: Using fringe technique (book page 73) and yarn color of choice, add as much or as little hair as you like, such as the wispy beard on the bald farmer below. To cover the head of your farmer, 125 to 150 pieces of yarn, 3" to 4" long, should do the trick.

Fun-fur fuzz: Using a novelty yarn like fun fur is a great way to quickly get a fuzzy effect on your farmer's head. Attach yarn at back of head and sc onto surface of head, covering area where you'd like hair to be. Use a hairbrush to help loosen hair fibers before giving your farmer a haircut.

Long hair with braids: Start by plotting out your hair part with a line of marking pins to help keep everything straight. Double or triple yarn on your tapestry needle and run long sts back and forth between hairline

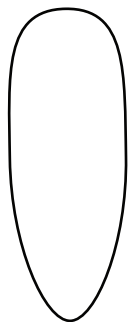
and point at which you'd like to place pigtail. Sew as loosely and as gently as possible as to not misshape head. Once the head is covered, double or triple yarn and attach 3 groupings to each pigtail point using fringe technique. Braid these groupings together, tightly tie ends together with a piece of yarn or ribbon, and trim off excess hair.

Tight curls: Attach hair-colored yarn to surface of head and sc 1. Rep the following pattern: *sl st in surface st, ch 3, sk 2 sts, sc 1; rep from * until head is filled with curls.

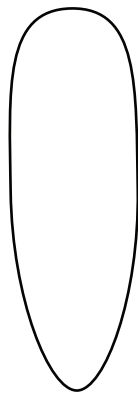


Patterns

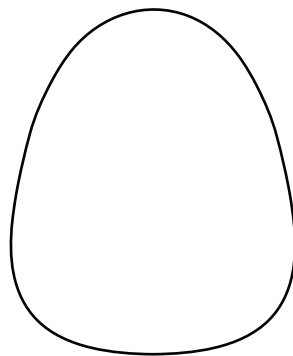
You can make templates for felt patches using tracing paper or a photocopier/scanner, or by downloading and printing the patterns from ShopMartingale.com/extras or MKCrochet.com/resources. For attaching felt patches, refer to page 74.



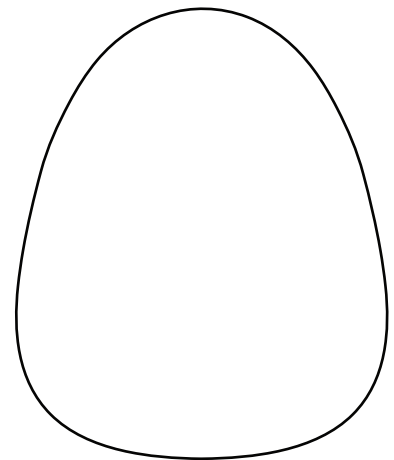
Rabbit ear



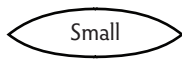
Donkey ear



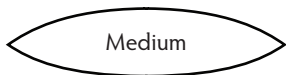
Cat belly



Donkey belly



Small

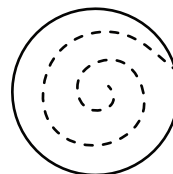
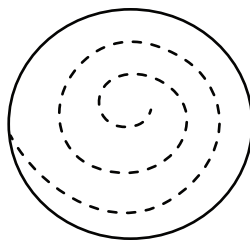


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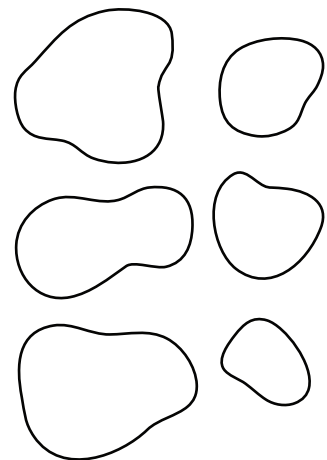


Large

Cat stripes



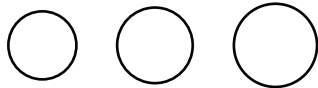
Pumpkin vines



Cow spots



5 mm 6 mm 7 mm 8 mm

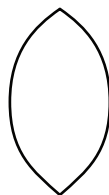


9 mm 10 mm 11 mm

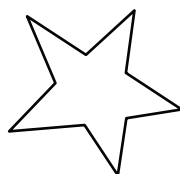


12 mm

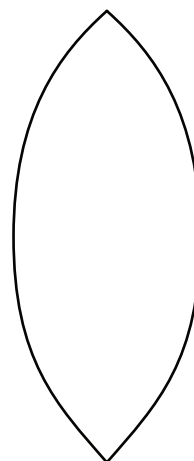
Eyes



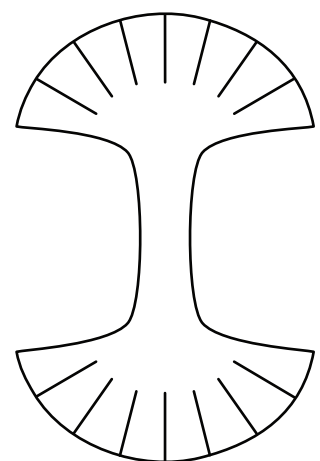
Apple leaf



Tomato stem



Corn leaf



Carrot top