Farm finger puppets, set of five

US terms



Finished size
The farmer 3¾ in (9.5 cm) tall with the hat, the animals 2¼ in (5.7 cm) to 2¾ in (7 cm) tall, each tube 2¾ in (7 cm) round at its open end

Skill
Easy
27 pieces worked in rounds and rows and sewn together.

Yarn
Fine (2), 10 colors

Hook
2.5 mm

Gauge
26 stitches and 28.6 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, cow body, sheep body and farmer body	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pink, several of the pieces	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: charcoal, cow forehead patch, cow spot, cow ear and the details	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: ginger, hen body and hen wing	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: barn red, several of the pieces	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: mustard, hen beak and the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: denim, pig body, farmer body, farmer bib and the details	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn H: peach, several of the pieces	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn I: straw, cow horn and farmer hat	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn J: rose, pig snout	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 2.5 mm, or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together, through the front loops only: how is under “Before you start” (UK dc2tog, double cro
ch	chain stitch
MR	magic ring
RS	right side

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Rnd	round
st	stitch
BLO	back loop only
FLO	front loop only

Special stitches

bobble: [yarn over, insert hook in the stitch, pull up a loop, yarn over, pull through 2 loops] 4 times in the same stitch, yarn over, pull through all 5 loops (United Kingdom: a bobble of 4 trebles). Push it out to the right side. It leaves 1 st for the next row or round.

Gauge

26 stitches and 28.6 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 1¾ in (4.4 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Every piece that has rounds is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up. Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.
- Color change: where a line begins "With E," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in E. Cut the old yarn and knot the ends on the wrong side.
- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Cow body: the center line runs between stitches 12 and 13 of round 4 (24 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Pig body: the center line runs between stitches 12 and 13 of round 4 (24 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Hen body: the center line runs between stitches 12 and 13 of round 4 (24 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Farmer body: the center line runs between stitches 12 and 13 of round 4 (24 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Sheep body: the center line runs between stitches 12 and 13 of round 5 (24 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the top.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the puppet. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- In every step of putting it together: where a piece meets or overlaps another, sew through both. Where no tail is left or a tail is too short, sew with a new length of the yarn of the piece you are putting on.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- No plastic eyes are used: every detail is worked in yarn.
- The open end of each tube has 18 stitches: at this gauge it is about 2¾ in (7 cm) round, for a finger about 2½ in (6.5 cm) round. For a thinner finger work everything with a hook one size smaller, for a thicker one with a hook one size larger. For a longer tube add rounds at its end.

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Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Cow body

Yarns in order of use: A, cream; E, barn red.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 9: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9

☐ **Rnd 10**	With E, **[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 11 to 22**	With A, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 22: tick them off as you go.

☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22

☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff: the finger goes in at the open end.	

Cow muzzle

Yarn B, pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**	**(15 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge. Shape the stuffed piece with your fingers into an oval, about 7/8 in (2.2 cm) wide and 5/8 in (1.6 cm) tall.	

Cow forehead patch

Yarn C, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

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Cow spot: make 2

Yarn C, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Cow ear: make 2

Yarn C, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 4 stitches.	

Cow horn: make 2

Yarn I, straw.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in each st around	**(5 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

Pig body

Yarns in order of use: B, pink; G, denim.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 9: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9

☐ **Rnd 10**	With G, **[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 11 to 20**	With B, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 20: tick them off as you go.

11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff: the finger goes in at the open end.	

Pig snout

Yarn J, rose.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 4 to 5**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**

A box for each round, 4 to 5: tick them off as you go.

4 5

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge. Shape the stuffed piece with your fingers into an oval, about 5/8 in (1.6 cm) wide and ½ in (1.3 cm) tall.	

Pig ear: make 2

Yarn B, pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 5 stitches.	

Pig tail

Yarn B, pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 2 to 8**	Sc in each st around	**(4 sc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 8: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

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Hen body

Yarn D, ginger.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 9: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9

☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	**(21 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	**(21 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 13 to 15**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 15: tick them off as you go.

☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15

☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts**] 3 times**	**(21 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 18 to 20**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**

A box for each round, 18 to 20: tick them off as you go.

☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20

☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff: the finger goes in at the open end.	

Hen beak

Yarn F, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

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Hen comb

Yarn E, barn red.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 7 stitches wide. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With E, ch 8.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(7 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, bobble in next st, sc in next 2 sts, bobble in next st, sc in next 2 sts, bobble in next st	**(7 sts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing.	

Hen wing: make 2

Yarn D, ginger.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 6 stitches.	

Sheep body

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 6 times**	**(12 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 12 times**	**(24 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**bobble in next st, sc in next st**] 12 times**	**(24 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 12 times**	**(24 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 9 times**	**(18 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**bobble in next st, sc in next st**] 9 times**	**(18 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 16 to 21**	Repeat rnds 12 to 15 in order, over and over. The last rnd, rnd 21, is worked as rnd 13.	

A box for each round, 16 to 21: tick them off as you go.

16 17 18 19 20 21

☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff: the finger goes in at the open end.	

Sheep face

Yarn H, peach.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 14 in (36 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat with the right side up.	

Sheep ear: make 2

Yarn H, peach.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 4 stitches.	

Farmer body

Yarns in order of use: H, peach; E, barn red; A, cream; G, denim.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 5 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 9: tick them off as you go.

5 6 7 8 9

☐ **Rnd 10**	With E, **[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	With A, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	With E, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	With A, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	With E, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	With A, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 16 to 27**	With G, sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**

A box for each round, 16 to 27: tick them off as you go.

16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff: the finger goes in at the open end.	

Farmer hat

Yarns in order of use: I, straw; E, barn red.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	**(27 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in each st around	**(27 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	With E, sc in each st around	**(27 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	With I, working in FLO all the way round, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 9 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

Farmer nose

Yarn H, peach.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 10 in (25 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

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Farmer bib

Yarn G, denim.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 6 stitches wide. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

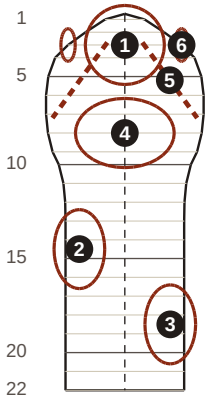
☐ **Foundation**	With G, ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 5: tick them off as you go.

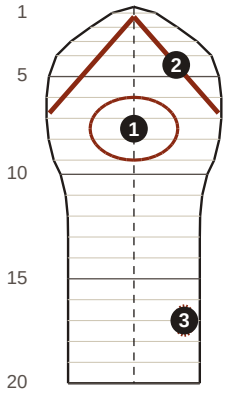
2 3 4 5

☐ **End** Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail for sewing.

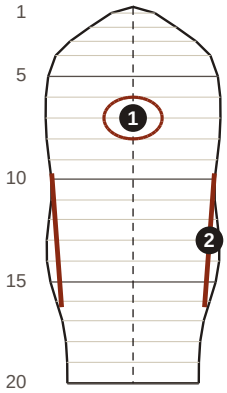
Assembly



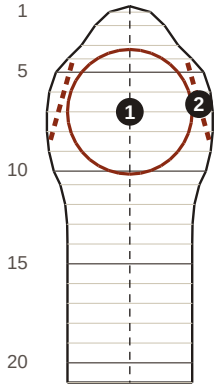
Cow body: 1 cow forehead patch, 2 cow spot, 3 cow spot, 4 cow muzzle, 5 cow ears, 6 cow horns



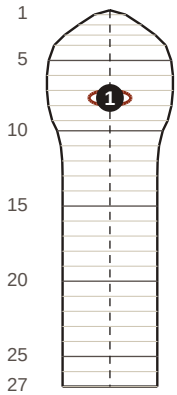
Pig body: 1 pig snout, 2 pig ears, 3 pig tail



Hen body: 1 hen beak, 2 hen wings



Sheep body: 1 sheep face, 2 sheep ears



Farmer body: 1 farmer nose

Each line is a round, counted as the rounds are worked. The upright broken line is the center line. A place with a broken edge is on the far side.

1. Lay the cow forehead patch flat on the cow body, right side out, the middle of it on round 3, on the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

2. Lay one cow spot flat on the cow body, right side out, the middle of it between rounds 14 and 15, 2½ stitches to the left of the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

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3. Lay one cow spot flat on the cow body, right side out, the middle of it between rounds 18 and 19, 2½ stitches to the right of the center line. Sew down all 12 stitches of the edge.

4. Pin the cow muzzle to the cow body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 8, on the center line. The edge (15 sts) covers about rounds 6 to 10 of the cow body. It points forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

5. Pin the two cow ears to the cow body: the middle of each flat edge lies on round 5, one to each side, 7½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The flat edge runs straight up and down the cow body, half of it above that place and half below. They point out to the side. Sew through both layers of the 4-stitch edge with the tail.

6. Pin the two cow horns to the cow body: the middle of each open edge lies on round 3, one to each side, 4½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart). The edge has 5 sts. They point up and out to the side. Sew all the way round with the tail.

7. Pin the pig snout to the pig body: the middle of the open edge lies between rounds 7 and 8, on the center line. The edge (12 sts) covers about rounds 6 to 9 of the pig body. It points forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

8. Pin the two pig ears to the pig body: the middle of each flat edge lies on round 4, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart). The flat edge runs straight up and down the pig body, half of it above that place and half below. They point up and out to the side. Sew through both layers of the 5-stitch edge with the tail.

9. Pin the pig tail to the pig body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 17, 6½ stitches to the right of the center line. The edge has 4 sts. It points to the right, turns up by about round 6 of the pig tail, to the left by about round 3 and down by the tip. Bend it as you pin it, and hold each bend with a stitch or two on the side it turns toward. Sew all the way round with its tail of yarn.

10. Pin the hen beak to the hen body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 7, on the center line. The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 6 to 8 of the hen body. It points forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

11. Stand the hen comb upright along the top of the hen body, from front to back, its foundation chain down: its front end on round 4, on the center line, its back end on round 4, on the line opposite the center line. Sew the 7 chains down, across round 1. Push the three bobbles out.

12. Pin the two hen wings to the hen body: the middle of each flat edge lies on round 13, one to each side, 6 stitches from the center line (12 stitches apart). The flat edge runs straight up and down the hen body, half of it above that place and half below. They point out to the side, then curve until the tip of each points out to the side and up. Bend each as you pin it and hold the curve with a stitch or two on its inner side. Sew through both layers of the 6-stitch edge with the tail.

13. Lay the sheep face flat on the sheep body, right side out, the middle of it on round 7, on the center line. Ease it into an oval about ¾ in (1.9 cm) wide and 7/8 in (2.2 cm) tall as you pin it. Sew down all 18 stitches of the edge.

14. Pin the two sheep ears to the sheep body: the middle of each flat edge lies between rounds 6 and 7, one to each side, 6½ stitches from the center line (11 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The flat edge runs straight up and down the sheep body, half of it above that place and half below. They point out to the side, then curve until the tip of each points out to the side and down. Bend each as you pin it and hold the curve with a stitch or two on its inner side. Sew through both layers of the 4-stitch edge with the tail.

15. Set the farmer hat on the farmer body, round 1 of the hat over round 1 of the body, brim down, the line where its rounds begin at the back: round 7 of the hat, the last one of the crown (27 sts), lies on round 4 of the farmer body (24 sts). The top of the hat stands about 3/8 in (10 mm) above the head, empty. Sew round 7 to the body all the way round from below, under the brim, easing it in, with the tail. The brim (rounds 8 and 9) stays free.

16. Pin the farmer nose to the farmer body: the middle of the open edge lies between rounds 7 and 8, on the center line. The edge (8 sts) covers about rounds 7 to 8 of the farmer body. It points forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

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17. Lay the farmer bib on the front of the farmer body, right side out: its last row at the top on round 13, its foundation chain on round 17, 3 stitches to each side of the center line. Sew it down all the way round with the tail.

Finishing

- Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on; begin and end each strand inside the toy. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat.
- Cow nostrils: with C (charcoal), two straight stitches side by side, about 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, each pair on the cow muzzle, one to each side, 3/16 in (5 mm) out from its center and 1/8 in (3 mm) above the middle of the cow muzzle.
- Cow eyes: with C (charcoal), in satin stitch, an oval about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the cow body on round 6, one to each side, 3 stitches from the center line (6 stitches apart).
- Cow bell: with F (mustard), in satin stitch, a round dot about 3/16 in (5 mm) across, its middle on the cow body on round 11, on the center line.
- Pig nostrils: with C (charcoal), two straight stitches side by side, about 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, each pair on the pig snout, one to each side, 1/8 in (3 mm) out from its center and 1/8 in (3 mm) above the middle of the pig snout.
- Pig eyes: with C (charcoal), in satin stitch, an oval about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the pig body on round 6, one to each side, 3½ stitches from the center line (7 stitches apart).
- Hen wattle: with E (barn red), in satin stitch, an oval about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and ¼ in (6 mm) tall, its middle on the hen body on round 10, on the center line.
- Hen eyes: with C (charcoal), in satin stitch, an oval about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the hen body on round 6, one to each side, 3 stitches from the center line (6 stitches apart).
- Sheep eyes: with C (charcoal), in satin stitch, an oval about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the sheep face, one to each side, ¼ in (6 mm) out from its center and level with the middle of the sheep face.
- Sheep nose: with B (pink), in satin stitch, a triangle with its point down about 3/16 in (5 mm) wide and 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, its middle on the sheep face, centered, 3/16 in (5 mm) below the middle of the sheep face.
- Sheep smile: with C (charcoal), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about ¼ in (6 mm) wide that dips 1/16 in (2 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the sheep face, ¼ in (6 mm) below the middle of the sheep face, one to each side of its center.
- Farmer straps: with G (denim), long straight stitches on the farmer body: one on each side, from round 13, 2½ stitches from the center line, to round 10, 4 stitches from the center line.
- Farmer buttons: with F (mustard), in satin stitch, two round dots, each about 1/8 in (3 mm) across, on the farmer bib: one in each upper corner, on row 4 of the bib, its middle 1 stitch in from the side edge.
- Farmer eyes: with C (charcoal), in satin stitch, an oval about 1/8 in (3 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the farmer body on round 7, one to each side, 2½ stitches from the center line (5 stitches apart).
- Farmer mustache: with C (charcoal), in satin stitch, two leaf shapes side by side on the farmer body, just under the nose, each about ¼ in (6 mm) wide and 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, their inner ends touching on the center line on round 9.
- Farmer cheeks: with B (pink), in satin stitch, an oval about 3/16 in (5 mm) wide and 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, its middle on the farmer body on round 8, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart).
- Weave every end through the inside of the puppet and trim it close, so that no finger catches in it. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 27 pieces; 2,974 stitches.

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