Gardener doll in a sun hat

US terms



Finished size
About 10 in (25.5 cm) tall with the hat, the brim about 6 in (15 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Twelve pieces worked in rounds and rows and sewn together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 11 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet, in a spiral.

You will need

Yarn A: deep brown, body and head and arm	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: moss, several of the pieces	**about 60 yd (55 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, body and head and arm	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: terracotta, body and head, arm, sun hat and the details	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: straw, sun hat	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: mustard, leg, pocket and the details	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: black, hair cap	**about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**
Yarn H: carrot orange, carrot	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn I: leaf green, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn J: espresso, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn K: rose, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins, scissors and two black plastic eyes with washers, 10 mm.

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.

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The pieces



Leg x 2 | **Body and head** | **Arm x 2** to the body and head | **Hair cap** | **Sun hat** | **Bib** | **Carrot** to the bib | **Pocket**

Strap x 2

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 crochet 2 stitches together)
ch	chain stitch
MR	magic ring
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
FLO	front loop only
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

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

20 stitches and 22 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 2¼ in (5.5 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.

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- Slip stitch: put the hook in the stitch, yarn over, and pull it through the stitch and through the loop on the hook (United Kingdom: slip stitch too).
- 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 B," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round before it in B. 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.
- Body and head: the center line runs between stitches 15 and 16 of round 1 (30 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.
- Hair cap: the center line runs between stitches 27 and 28 of round 12 (54 sts). It faces the front, round 1 at the back.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the doll. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- Running stitches go in and out along a line.
- 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.
- For a child under three, or a pet, embroider the eyes instead: satin stitch dots of the same size in G (black).
- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, ovals, details) are for Standard, the size written here: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 7½ in (19 cm) tall with the hat, the brim about 4½ in (11.5 cm) across; eyes 7 mm; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 14¼ in (36 cm) tall with the hat, the brim about 8½ in (21.5 cm) across; eyes 14 mm; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn.
- Jumbo: super bulky (6, plush or velvet) yarn, 6.5 mm (K-10½) hook, 11 sc and 12.1 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 18¼ in (46.5 cm) tall with the hat, the brim about 11 in (28 cm) across; eyes 18 mm; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

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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.

Leg: make 2

Yarns in order of use: F, mustard; B, moss.

☐ **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)**
☐ **Rnds 4 to 15**	Sc in each st around	**(15 sc)**

A box for each round, 4 to 15: tick them off as you go.

☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15

☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 3 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	With B, **[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	**(15 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 18 to 24**	Sc in each st around	**(15 sc)**

A box for each round, 18 to 24: tick them off as you go.

☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

☐ **End**	Fasten off the first leg, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Do not fasten off the second leg: go on from it with the body and head. Stuff both legs firmly, up to about ½ in (13 mm) below the open edge, before you join them. Rounds 1 to 16 are the boot.	

Body and head

Yarns in order of use: B, moss; C, cream; D, terracotta; A, deep brown.

Hold the two legs side by side. The yarn is still on the second leg: carry it straight across to the first one and begin round 1 there, in the stitch after its last stitch; when all 15 of its stitches are worked, go on round the second leg, beginning in the stitch after the one the yarn came from. When round 2 is done, close the small gap between the two from the inside with the tail of the first leg.

The center line is in front, midway between the two legs. Stuff as you go, through the open top: the body firmly when round 18 is done, and the neck hard when round 24 is done, so that the head does not wobble.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the two legs side by side.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	With right sides facing out, sc in each of the 15 sts of one leg, then sc in each of the 15 sts of the other leg	**(30 sc)**

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 15 and 16 of round 1. It faces the front, round 1 at the bottom.

☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	**(34 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts**] 2 times**	**(36 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 6 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 9: tick them off as you go.

6 7 8 9

☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 16 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(34 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in each st around	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 13 to 14**	With C, sc in each st around	**(32 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

13 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	With D, **[**sc2tog, sc in next 14 sts**] 2 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	With C, **[**sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 4 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	With A, **[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 27 to 34**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 27 to 34: tick them off as you go.

27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34

☐ **Rnd 35**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 36**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 37**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 38**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 39**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

Fix the eyes now: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the body and head on round 28, one to each side, 4½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart). Then stuff the head firmly, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 40**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 41**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 42**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

Arm: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, deep brown; D, terracotta; C, cream.

Stuff lightly every few rounds as you go, so that the tube still bends.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 3 to 4**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 3 to 4: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	With D, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 9**	With C, sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 9: tick them off as you go.

8 9

☐ **Rnds 10 to 11**	With D, sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 10 to 11: tick them off as you go.

10 11

☐ **Rnds 12 to 13**	With C, sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 12 to 13: tick them off as you go.

12 13

☐ **Rnds 14 to 15**	With D, sc in each st around	**(10 sc)**

A box for each round, 14 to 15: tick them off as you go.

14 15

☐ **Rnd 16**	With C, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in each st around	**(9 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing.	

Hair cap

Yarn G, black.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **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 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 21 times**	**(42 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 24 times**	**(48 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 27 and 28 of round 12. It faces the front, round 1 at the back.

☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**sc in next st, bobble in next st**] 27 times**	**(54 sts)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 15 to 19**	Repeat rnds 13 and 14 in turn: every even-numbered rnd is worked as rnd 14, every odd-numbered rnd as rnd 13.	

A box for each round, 15 to 19: tick them off as you go.

☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 38 in (97 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff.	

Sun hat

Yarns in order of use: E, straw; D, terracotta.

☐ **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 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 11 to 12**	Sc in each st around	**(60 sc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 12: tick them off as you go.

11 12

☐ **Rnds 13 to 14**	With D, sc in each st around	**(60 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

13 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	With E, working in FLO all the way round, **[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts**] 6 times**	**(78 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(84 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	**(90 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts**] 6 times**	**(96 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off and weave in the end. Do not stuff.	

Bib

Yarn B, moss.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 10 stitches wide. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 11.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 7: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing.	

Carrot

Yarn H, carrot orange.

☐ **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 7 sts	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	**(11 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc2tog, sc in next st, **[**sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 12 in (30 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff very lightly. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 4 stitches.	

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Pocket

Yarns in order of use: B, moss; F, mustard.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 8 stitches wide. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

☐ **Row 5**	With F, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 18 in (46 cm) tail for sewing.	

Strap: make 2

Yarn B, moss.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 2 stitches wide. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

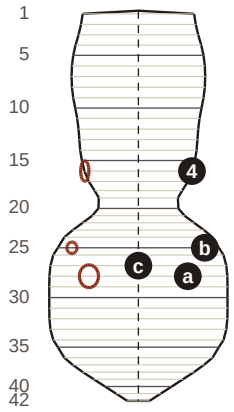
☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 3.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	**(2 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(2 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 16: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 18 in (46 cm) tail for sewing.	

Assembly



Body and head: 4 arms, a eyes, b cheeks, c nose

A number is the step below that puts it on; a letter is put on under Finishing. 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 bib flat on the front of the body, right side out, its middle on the center line of the body and head: row 1 lies along round 10 and row 7 along round 16. Sew it down all the way round.

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2. Make the leaves of the carrot (see Finishing). Lay the carrot flat on the bib, right side up, its point (round 1) down, on round 9 of the body and head, just below row 1 of the bib, and its flat edge on row 6 of the bib, its middle on the center line, and catch its back to the bib with a few stitches.

3. Lay the pocket, right side out, over the lower half of the carrot: row 1 lies along round 8 of the body and head, 4 stitches to each side of the center line, and the two ends of row 5 lie on row 3 of the bib, 4 stitches to each side of its middle. The pocket bulges over the carrot. Sew row 1 and the two sides down; leave row 5 open at the top.

4. Pin the two arms to the body and head: the middle of each open edge lies on round 16, one to each side, 7 stitches from the center line (14 stitches apart). The edge (9 sts) covers about rounds 15 to 17 of the body and head. They point out to the side and down, then curve until the tip of each points straight down, beside the hip and a little forward. Hold the curve with a few running stitches along its inner side, drawn up a little. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

5. Pull the hair cap over the head, center line in front, the middle of its round 1 at the back, on the line opposite the center line, on round 37 of the body and head. Its edge lies on round 32 on the center line in front, on about round 27 at the temples (10 stitches from the center line) and on round 20 at the back, at the neck. Pin it, stretching it evenly, and sew all 54 stitches of the edge down.

6. Pull the sun hat down over the hair cap, center line of the hair cap in front, tipped back, until the last terracotta round (round 14) lies over round 15 of the hair cap on the center line in front, over round 13 at the two sides and over round 9 at the back. The crown is wider than the hair and stands off it a little: push a thin layer of stuffing under it. With a new length of D (terracotta), sew round 14 to the hair cap with running stitches all the way round. The brim stays free.

7. Sew the two straps on, one to each side: right side out, row 1 lies on the upper corner of the bib, along its row 6, the middle of the strap 4 stitches from the middle of the bib. Take the strap up over the shoulder, between the arm and the neck, and straight down the back, and sew its other end to the body on round 12, its middle 3 stitches from the line opposite the center line. Catch the strap to the shoulder with two stitches.

8. Feet of the two legs: the foot of the boot is rounds 1 to 6 of the leg. Its front is straight below the place 4 stitches from the center line on round 1 of the body and head. Bend the foot forward until it is at a right angle to the leg, and with a new length of F (mustard) take running stitches up the front of the ankle from round 6 to round 11, to and fro twice, and draw them up until the foot stays bent. Press the soles flat on the table, so that the doll stands.

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Finishing

- Put in the plastic eyes when the words of a piece say so, or embroider eyes in the same places with the other details. Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on, unless a line gives another time; 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.
- Leaves: sew the flat edge of the carrot shut with its tail (4 stitches through both layers). Then, with I (leaf green), slip stitch in the edge at one end of this seam, [ch 7, slip stitch in the edge again, a quarter of the way farther on] 4 times, so that the last slip stitch is at the other end of the seam; fasten off and bury the ends in the carrot: four loops in a row. Do this before the carrot goes into the pocket.
- Eyes: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the body and head on round 28, one to each side, 4½ stitches from the center line (9 stitches apart).
- Cheeks: with K (rose), in satin stitch, an oval about 5/16 in (8 mm) wide and 3/16 in (5 mm) tall, its middle on the body and head on round 25, one to each side, 6½ stitches from the center line (13 stitches apart).
- Mouth: with K (rose), in backstitch, a smile, one curve about ½ in (13 mm) wide that dips 3/16 in (5 mm) below its ends. Its two ends are on the body and head on round 25, one to each side of the center line.
- Nose: with J (espresso), in satin stitch, an oval about 3/16 in (5 mm) wide and 1/8 in (3 mm) tall, its middle on the body and head on round 27, on the center line.
- Buttons: with F (mustard), in satin stitch, a round dot about 3/16 in (5 mm) across on the front end of each strap, over rows 1 and 2, through the strap and the bib. Work them when the straps are sewn on.
- Weave every tail through the toy and trim it. For a toy that will be played with, go round each seam a second time with a new length of yarn. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 12 pieces; 4,518 stitches.

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