

# Farmyard Finger Puppets <set B>



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## Tools

- Bamboo Knitting Needles Takumi Single Pointed (23 cm) 3.0 mm (Art No. 3705)
- For Farmer, Bamboo Knitting Needles Takumi Double Pointed (16 cm) 3.0 mm (Art No. 3815) (to make i-cords)
- Gold Eye Chenille Needles(No. 18) (Art No. 234/18)
- Amour Crochet Hook 3.0 mm (Art No. 1052) • scissors

## Materials

### Donkey

- [A] 5g grey DK
- Small amount of 2 ply or 3 ply brown yarn
- Card, cut to 2 x 6cm
- Brown cotton thread
- Small amount of 4-ply dark brown
- Stuffing

### Dog

- [B] 5g cream DK
- [C] Small amount of brown DK
- Small amount of 4-ply dark brown
- Stuffing

### Cat

- [D] 5g silver grey DK
- [B] Small amount of cream DK
- Small amount of 4-ply dark brown, brown
- Stuffing

### Sheep

- [E] 3g white fleecy yarn DK
- [F] Small amount of white DK
- Small amount of 4-ply dark brown
- Stuffing

### Farmer

- [G] 4g light blue DK
- Small amounts of [H] fair skin colour, [I] orange DK
- [J] 4g 4-ply blue
- Small amount of dark brown DK
- Small amount of 4-ply grey boucle
- Stuffing

### \*About yarn used for samples

50g per 226m, 55% Nylon, 45% Acrylic  
The project requires small amounts of different colours.  
Feel free to use any oddments of yarn in DK weight.

### \*Tension

24 stitches x 34 rows = 10cm measured over St st (not essential)

## <Abbreviations>

St st: stocking stitch

St(s): stitch(es)

K: knit

P: purl

Kfb: k one through the front then through the back (same stitch)

K2tog: knit two together

P2tog: purl two together

Skpo: slip1, knit1, pass slipped stitch over

WS: wrong side

RS: right side

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## <I-cord>

Using double-pointed needles cast on the required number of stitches.

Do not turn.

Slide stitches to the opposite end of the needle, then knit stitches again taking the yarn firmly across the back of work.

Repeat to desired length.



## Farmer

Body and head

With G, cast on 20 sts

Rows 1-2 : : Knit.

Rows 3-14: Starting with a RS k row, work 12 rows in St st.

Row 15: K5, k2tog, k6, k2tog, k5. 18 sts

Rows 16-20: Starting with a WS p row, work 5 rows in St st.

Row 21 (Shape neck): [K1, k2tog] to end. 12 sts

Row 22: Change to H and purl.

Row 23: K3, [kfb] six times, k3. 18 sts

Rows 24-26: Starting with a WS p row, work 3 rows in St st

Row 27 (shape eyeline): K3, [k2tog, k1] four times, k3. 14 sts

Rows 28-30: Starting with a WS p row, work 3 rows in St st

Row 31: [K2, k2tog] 3 times, k2. 11 sts

Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Arms: make two

With H, cast on 3 sts and work i-cord for 5 rows.

Break yarn and thread through sts.

Pull tight to fasten.

Coat

With J, cast on 30 sts.

Rows 1-3: Knit

Row 4 (WS): K2, p to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 5: Knit

Rows 6-22: Repeat rows 4-5, ending with row 4.

Row 23: [K1, k2tog] to end. 20 sts

Cast off.

Sleeves: make two

With J, cast on 10 sts

Row 1-5: Starting with a WS p row, work 5 rows in St st.

Row 6: [K2, k2tog] twice, k2. 8 sts

Row 7: Purl

Break yarn and thread through rem sts. Pull tight to fasten.

Hat

With I, cast on 9 sts

Row 1( WS): Purl

Row 2: [Kfb] in each st to end. 18 sts

Rows 3-6: Starting with a WS p row, work 4 rows in St st.

Row 7: K for edge.

Row 8 (brim): [Kfb] in each st. 36 sts

Cast off.

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To make up

With fastened-off yarn end, sew head to neck. With cast-on yarn end, sew body to neck.

Stuff head and work a gathering thread along neck.

Pull tightly. With same yarn, work a gathering thread over eyeline on face, pull gently to shape dent.

With H, make French knot for nose. With dark brown DK, French knot the eyes.

To make hair and beard, make backstitches with grey boucle yarn, leaving small loops.

Alternatively, use 2 strands taken from grey DK. Attach cast-off end of coat to neck, fold front to create lapels.

Seam sleeve with arm inside and stitch arm to sleeve at wrist. Attach sleeves to body. Seam hat and attach it to head.



## Donkey

Body and head

With A, cast on 20 sts.

Rows 1-2: Knit

Rows 3-18: Starting with a RS row, work 16 rows in St st.

Row 19: K5, k2tog, k6, k2tog, k5. 18 sts

Rows 20-22: Starting with a WS p row, work 3 rows in St st.

Row 23: [K1, k2tog] to end. 12 sts

Rows 24-32: Starting with a WS p row, work 9 rows in St st.

Row 33: [K1, k2tog] to end. 8 sts

Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

## Mane

Wind 2 or 3-ply dark brown yarn around card cut to 2 x 6cm 50 times.

Sew centre twice over same line with cotton thread, together with card.

Cut sides, tear card from centre and release card.

## Ears: make two

With A, cast on 4 sts

Rows 1-6: Beg with a WS p row, work 6 rows in St st.

Row 7: [P2tog] twice, pass first st over second and fasten off.

## To make up

With fastened-off yarn end, seam body and stuff top end for head.

With seam on tummy, stitch chin to neck, using a few ladder stitches.

Attach ears at cast-on edges.

With 4-ply dark brown, French knot the eyes.

With 4-ply dark brown, make small backstitches for nostrils.

With 4-ply dark brown, attach mane, sewing over cotton thread.

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## Dog

Body and head  
With B, work as for Donkey.

Ears: make two  
With C, cast on 3 sts.  
Row 1 (RS): Skpo, k1. 2 sts  
Row 2: P2tog and fasten off.

To make up  
See Donkey for basic assembly.  
With 4-ply dark brown, French knot  
the eyes and embroider mouth and  
nose with backstitches.



## Cat

Body and head  
With D, work as for Donkey to row 30. 12 sts  
Rows 31-32: change to B and work 2 rows in St st.  
Row 33: [K1, k2tog] to end. 8 sts  
Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Ears: make two  
With D, work as for Dog.

To make up  
See Donkey for basic assembly.  
With 4-ply dark brown, embroider eyes, mouth and nose with backstitches.  
With 4-ply brown, embroider whiskers with backstitches.



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## Sheep

Body and head

With F, cast on 20 sts

Rows 1-2: Knit

Rows 3-16: Change to E and work 14 rows in St st, starting with a RS k row.

Row 17: [K1, k2tog] to last 2 sts, k2. 14 sts

Rows 18-22: Starting with a WS p row, work 5 rows in St st.

Row 23: K2tog, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. 12 sts

Rows 24-28: Change to F and work 5 rows in St st, starting with a WS p row.

Row 29: [K1, k2tog] to end. 8 sts

Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Ears: make two

With F, cast on 2 sts

Row 1 (WS): Purl

Row 2: K2tog and fasten off.

To make up

With fastened-off yarn end, sew head down to chin.

From chin, seam body to cast-on edge, using E.

Stuff head and stitch chin to neck as for Donkey.

Attach ears. With 4-ply dark brown, French knot the eyes and embroider nose and mouth with backstitches.

