

# Crochet yourself 4 whimsical Berry Dudes!



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The little **Dudes** live among us, but only a child at heart can truly see them. They are bald and shy, so they cover their heads and half of their faces with whatever they find in their surroundings.

These endearing amigurumi/crochet dolls are faceless little fantasy creatures. They are educational dolls for learning and for play-therapy, as well as unique collectible decorative figurines. The **Dudes'** minimalist features, inspired by the Waldorf approach, are designed to stimulate the imagination, and their pocket size is suitable for those little hands to make the perfect companions.

## Materials:

- Fine (level 2) 100% mercerized cotton yarn
- Colors: stone | 2 shades of red | black | green | dark blue
- crochet hook: 2.5mm - 3mm (*depends on your tension*)
- Small amount of Lace weight (level 0) crochet/embroidery thread: Yellow
- Yarn needle | Thread needle
- Polyester fiberfill
- Scissors

## Notes:

- Work in a **spiral** = continuous rounds (vs. joined rounds), unless otherwise indicated.
- **Crochet tightly** to prevent the stuffing from showing. If you find that your stitches are too loose, try a smaller hook size.
- Begin the pieces with a **magic ring** (= magic circle / adjustable ring).
- Use a **stitch marker** / **scrap of yarn** to mark the last stitch in the round.
- Use the **Invisible Decrease** to minimize the appearance of holes and bumps.
- Stuff your work firmly to keep its shape.
- All dimensions and stitch counts assume the use of yarns of the same thickness, to get a perfect fit between the Dudes' heads and their caps.

**Finished dimensions** (Dude + Cap) vary according to the measurements of the caps and are specified individually for each design.

**Skill level:** Intermediate.

## Abbreviations (US Terms):

<b>Special stitch - The Bobble Stitch</b>	<b>BL/BLO</b> = back loop/back loop only
<b>bo</b> = bobble / <b>bos</b> = bobbles	<b>FL/FLO</b> = front loop/front loop only
<b>R</b> = round / <b>Rs</b> = rounds	<b>st</b> = stitch / <b>sts</b> = stitches
<b>mr</b> = magic ring	<b>sp</b> = space
<b>ss</b> = slip stitch	<b>sk</b> = skip
<b>ch</b> = chain stitch	<b>rep</b> = repeat
<b>sc</b> = single crochet	<b>FO</b> = fasten off
<b>hdc</b> = half double crochet	<b>[ ]</b> = number of stitches
<b>dc</b> = double crochet	<b>( ) x _</b> = repeat pattern in parentheses as many times as indicated
<b>Inc</b> = increase (2sc in next stitch)	<b>*..*</b> = repeat pattern between asterisks
<b>Dec</b> = decrease (2sc together)	

# The Dude's pattern

**Finished dimensions** (approx.): Height: 8cm (3"). Width: 5cm (2").

**With stone color yarn and a 2.5mm crochet hook -**

## First Leg

Make a **mr**

**R1:** 6sc in mr [6]

**R2:** (Inc, sc) x 3 [9]

**R3-4 (2 Rs):** Sc around [9]

**One leg is done. Cut the yarn but leave a tail for later sewing.**

Repeat Rs1-4 for the **second leg**. Don't cut the yarn, but continue to crochet the body and the head as one piece, by leaving the hook in the last loop of the 2<sup>nd</sup> leg <sup>a</sup>. Then, insert the hook into the 1<sup>st</sup> sc from the last round of the 1<sup>st</sup> leg <sup>b</sup>.



**Now you will crochet around both legs in a spiral <sup>c</sup> -**



## Body & Head

**R5:** 9sc around 1<sup>st</sup> leg + 9sc around 2<sup>nd</sup> leg [18]

**With the tail left from the 1<sup>st</sup> leg, sew to close the hole between the legs.** →

**R6:** (Inc, 2sc) x 6 [24]

**R7:** 2sc, (Inc, 3sc) x 5, inc, sc [30]

**R8-10 (3 Rs):** Sc around [30]

**R11:** (Dec, 3sc) x 6 [24]

**R12:** Sc around [24]

**Start stuffing the legs and the body with fiberfill and continue stuffing as you go.**



**R13:** (2sc, dec) x 6 [18]

**R14:** (Dec, sc) x 6 [12]

**R15:** (Inc) x 12 [24]

**R16:** (Inc, 3sc) x 6 [30]

**R17:** 3sc, (Inc, 4sc) x 5, inc, sc [36]

**R18:** (Inc, 5sc) x 6 [42]

**R19-22 (4 Rs):** Sc around [42]

**Put a stitch marker between Rs19-20 to mark where to place the nose.**

**R23:** (Dec, 5sc) x 6 [36]

**R24:** 3sc, (Dec, 4sc) x 5, dec, sc [30]

**R25:** (Dec, 3sc) x 6 [24]

**R26:** Sc, (Dec, 2sc) x 5, dec, sc [18]

**Continue to stuff -**

**R27:** (Dec, sc) x 6 [12]

**R28:** (Dec) x 6 [6]





Leave a tail long enough to close the head opening and to embroider the nose -  
Thread the yarn through the needle and draw through the front loops of the final stitches  
a, b. Pull the yarn to close c.



### Nose

With the same yarn, insert the needle into the top of the head and pull it out through the middle of the face between Rs19-20 <sup>a</sup> (where you put the stitch marker).  
Insert the needle into the next horizontal hole and pull again through the first hole (make sure the nose is in the middle of the face) <sup>b</sup>.  
Wrap the yarn around the horizontal line that was created <sup>c</sup> 4-6 times, as needed <sup>d</sup>.



Hide the excess yarn inside the work. FO and weave in the ends.

### Arms (make 2)

Make a **mr**

**R1:** 6sc in mr [6]

**R2:** (Inc, sc) x 3 [9]

**R3:** (Dec, sc) x 3 [6]

**R4-7 (4 Rs):** Sc around [6]

**Leave a long tail to sew the arms to the body. The arms don't need to be stuffed.**



**Flatten the opening of the arms and sew only the 3 upper loops to the crease of the neck**  
**a.** Insert the needle at the side of the body **b**, pick 1 stitch from the inner side of the arm **c**  
and pull tightly to secure **d**. FO and weave in the ends.



Now you've created your very own Dude!  
Make three more, and cover their bald heads with caps...





**Finished dimensions** (approx.):  
 Height: 8.5cm (3.3"). Width: 5cm (2").



### Cap

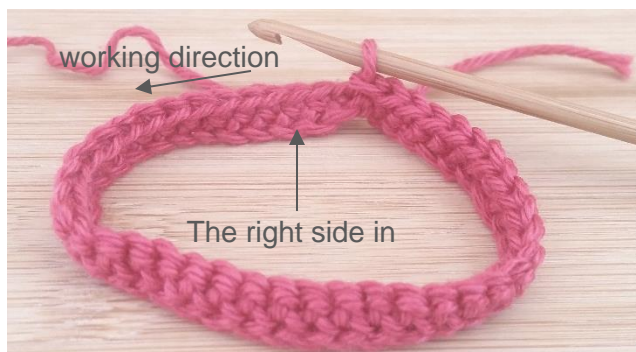
The cap is made up of **Bobble Stitches (= bo/bos)** and worked in a spiral from the bottom-up (see instructions on the next page).

With red/black yarn and a 2.5mm crochet hook -

**R1:** Ch 42, ss to 1<sup>st</sup> ch to form a circle.

**R2:** Sc around [42], ss to 1<sup>st</sup> sc.

**Turn and hold the work with the right-side in. You will work the bobbles from the inside out.**



## How to make the Bobble Stitch



**\*Yarn over, insert the hook into the stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop <sup>a</sup>, yarn over and pull through two loops only <sup>b</sup>.\***

**(This essentially completes the first stage of one double crochet stitch.)**



**Repeat between \*\_\* (a - b) 3 more times, so that you have 4 not-quite-complete dc stitches worked into the same stitch, and a total of 5 loops on the hook <sup>c</sup>.**



**Yarn over and pull through all 5 loops at once <sup>d</sup>. This closes the bobble crochet stitch.**

**Sc in the same st to form the Bobble.**



Note that you'll be working with the inner side of the cap facing you, but the 3D bubbles pattern will appear on the outer side of the cap.



Place a stitch marker to mark the end of each round, because from now on, you'll be working in a spiral -

**R3:** \*(Bo, sc same st), sk 2sts\* rep around [14 bos]

**R4-6 (3 Rs):** In the sts that close the bos -  
\*(bo, sc same st), sk next st\* rep around [14 bos]

**R7:** \*Sk 1 st, sc next 2sts, (bo, sc same st)\* rep around [7 bos]

**R8:** \*Sk 1 st, (bo, sc same st), sk 1 st, sc next st\* rep around [7 bos, 22 sts], ch1, turn.



Now, you'll be working from the outer side of the cap -

**R9:** (10sc, inc) x 2 [24]

Leave the last sc stitch of R9 unfinished to make a **Color Change** (see instructions on the next page) -



## How to make a Color Change

Start the final sc with red/black by inserting the hook into the last stitch, yarn over <sup>a</sup> and draw up a loop <sup>b</sup>.



Attach green to the hook <sup>c</sup> and pull through the two loops on the hook to complete the sc stitch <sup>d</sup>.



Continue with green -

### Stem

R10: (Dec) x 12 [12]

R11: In BLO - Sc around [12]

R12: (Dec) x 6 [6]

R13-14 (2 Rs): Sc around [6]

Finish the stem -

Leave a tail and cut the yarn.

Thread a needle and weave through the front loops of the final stitches. You can either pull the yarn to close and make it pointier, or you can leave it open (*like in the picture on the next page*).





## Leaves

Attach the same green yarn to the 1<sup>st</sup> front loop of R10 <sup>a</sup> -

\*Ch 6 <sup>b</sup>. In 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook - (sc, sc, sc, hdc, hdc) next 5 chs <sup>c</sup>, sk 1 st, ss next st\* rep around [6 leaves]

*Note - Due to the curvy shape of the leaves, they will lay nicely on the cap. Therefore, sewing the leaves to the cap is optional.*



FO and weave in the ends.







**Finished dimensions** (approx.): Height: 8.5cm (3.3"). Width: 5cm (2").

### Cap

**With dark blue yarn and a 2.5mm crochet hook -**

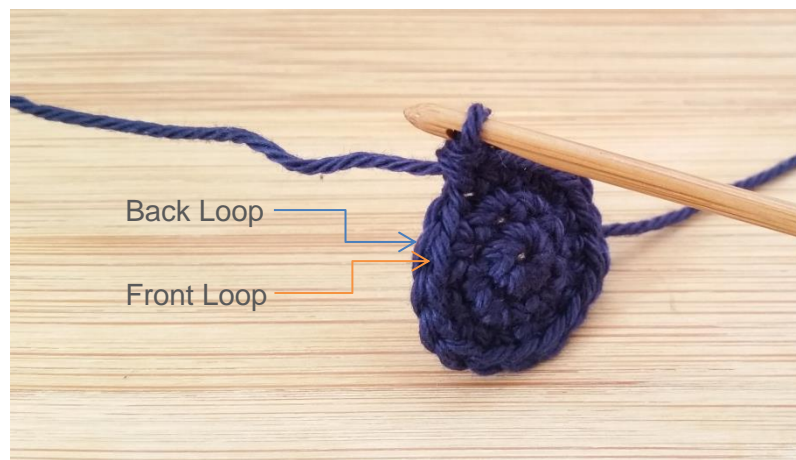
Make a **mr**

**R1:** 6sc in mr [6]

**R2:** (Inc) x 6 [12]

**R3:** (Inc, sc) x 6 [18]

**For the next round, work in the back and front loops of R3 separately, as instructed on the next page -**



**R4:**

**In BLO** - (2sc, inc) x 6 [24]<sup>a</sup>, ch1, turn<sup>b</sup>.



a



b

**In FLO** - (Ss, hdc same st, 2dc next st, hdc next st, ss same st) x 6 [6 petals]<sup>c</sup>, ch1, turn.

**Continue to work in the sc's of the previous round**<sup>d</sup> -

**R5:** (Inc, 3sc) x 6 [30]

**R6:** 3sc, (Inc, 4sc) x 5, inc, sc [36]

**R7:** (Inc, 5sc) x 6 [42]

**R8-14 (7 Rs):** Sc around [42]

**R15:** (Dec, 5sc) x 6 [36], ss in 1<sup>st</sup> sc.



c



d

**FO and weave in the ends.**







**Finished dimensions** (approx.): Height: 9.5cm (3.7"). Width: 5cm (2").

### Cap

**With red yarn and a 2.5mm crochet hook -**

Make a **mr**

**R1:** 6sc in mr [6]

**R2:** (Inc) x 6 [12]

**R3:** (Inc, sc) x 6 [18]

**R4:** (2sc, inc) x 6 [24]

**R5:** (Inc, 3sc) x 6 [30]

**R6:** 3sc, (Inc, 4sc) x 5, inc, sc [36]

**R7:** (Inc, 5sc) x 6 [42]

**R8-14 (7 Rs):** Sc around [42]

**R15:** (Dec, 5sc) x 6 [36], ss in 1<sup>st</sup> sc.

**FO and weave in the end.**





### Stem

With green yarn and a 2.5mm crochet hook -  
Make a mr

R1: 4sc in mr [4]

R2-3 (2 Rs): Sc around [4]

R4: (Inc) x 4 [8]

R5: (Inc, sc) x 4 [12]<sup>a</sup>

Ss in the next st and continue -

### Leaves

Ch 5<sup>b</sup>.

In 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook - \*(sc, sc, hdc, dc) next 4sts, sk 1 st, ss into the next st of the stem<sup>c</sup> \*  
rep around [6 leaves]<sup>d</sup>



Leave a long tail and sew the stem and the leaves onto the top of the cap.  
FO and weave in the ends.

### seeds

Thread a needle with yellow embroidery thread and randomly embroider little dots all around the cap with a **French knot** (see instructions on the next page) -



## How to make a French knot



a

**Bring the needle up from the inside out.**



b

**Wrap the thread around the needle 3 times.**



c

**Insert the needle back into the cap, close to the hole you came up from, and start pulling the thread from the inside.**



d

**Continue holding the working thread taut with your left hand while pulling.**

**\*The wrapped thread needs to be snug against the needle. The needle, however, should be able to slide through the wrapped loops smoothly.**



e

**Pull slowly through the wrapped loops to complete the knot.**



f

**Voilà!**





Hope you enjoy making these little Berry Dudes!

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