

Recipe

Yo-Yo the Clown... as seen on National Television

Materials Needed:

70 *Wimpole Street* large yo-yos

Wimpole Street small knit bag

7"x32" piece of *Wimpole Street* yellow chenille

9"x9" piece of *Wimpole Street* white chenille

Four yards of ecru floss

1/2 yard of black floss

Hot glue

1/2" pom pom

Four 3/4" jingle bells

Two black beads

One yard of orange yarn for hair

10" of 3/8" grosgrain ribbon

Polyester fiberfill

Two Chenille needles

1. Loop 60" of embroidery floss in half and tie to a 3/4" jingle bell. Repeat with a second piece of floss and bell.
2. Thread the doubled floss onto two needles, then thread 21 large yo-yos on each needle through the centers, gathered side down, to create the legs.
3. Make 5 yellow yo-yos by hand-basting around each 6" chenille circle and press the yo-yos flat. Gather the basting to create a yo-yo. Knot and trim the threads. Thread both needles up through the centers of the chenille yo-yos, with the gathered side down, to form the body.
4. Knot the threads together on top of the fifth chenille yo-yo. Insert the needles near the knot and out about 1" toward each shoulder for arms. Thread 14 yo-yos on each needle to create the arms.

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5. Thread a 3/4" jingle bell onto the ends of each arm. Secure the threads to the end of the yo-yos. Knot and trim the threads.
6. Make a yo-yo from an 8" circle of white chenille for the collar. Press the collar flat. Sew the collar to the center of the top yellow yo-yo with the gathered side up, using ecru floss. DO NOT TRIM THE THREADS.
7. Stuff the knit bag with fiberfill for the head. Knot and trim the gathering threads. Tuck the cuff of the bag to the inside. Blush the cheeks. Stitch the mouth with three strands of black floss. Glue on the bead eyes and the pom pom for a nose.
8. Hand-stitch the head to the collar, using ecru floss. Tie a bow in the ribbon and glue at the chin.
9. Wrap a piece of orange yarn 5 times around a 1-1/4" diameter object or a broom handle. Remove the yarn and tie in the center to form loops for the hair. Repeat for four hair bundles. Trim the tie ends, but do not trim the loops.
Glue the hair bundles around the head.



Note: Yo-Yos are hand-made and sizes of finished projects will vary.