

1. Hold your two-metre cane standing straight up and your one-metre cane across so it looks like arms outstretched.

2. Ask a friend to hold the two canes in place while you wrap your twine round and round in a cross shape to secure your scarecrow's arms in place.

3. To keep your scarecrow standing upright – it might be a good idea to pop them in a plant pot or bucket filled with sand or mud.

4. Grab the biggest of your two hessian sacks and cut three large circles so it goes over your scarecrow like a t-shirt would.

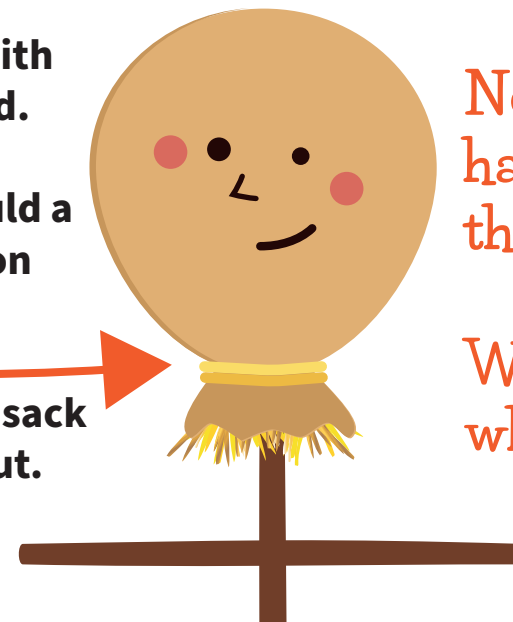
5. Once the sack is on your scarecrow, secure the bottom of the hessian t-shirt by tying some twine to make it tight around the bottom.

6. Now you can use your straw to stuff your scarecrow's hessian t-shirt to give them a body.

7. Get the smaller of the two hessian sacks and stuff it with straw until it's big enough to be your scarecrow's head.

8. Keep hold of the bottom of the sack tight like you would a balloon filled with air to keep the straw in and pop it on top of the big cane.

9. Ask a friend to tie the twine around the bottom of the sack to keep it in place and to stop the straw from falling out.



Now your scarecrow has a head and a body – the rest is up to you!

We can't wait to see what you come up with!



You've now got around nine weeks to construct your scarecrow ready to drop off at Grimsby Garden Centre by **Thursday 21 July.**

Be sure to tag us in your progress and give us a sneak peek of your exciting creations on social media.

After you drop off your creation, we'll get busy finding the perfect spot for it in the garden centre which will be on display for you to visit and vote on between **Monday 29 August and Friday 9 September.** If you don't get a chance to visit, don't worry, there'll be available for you to see and vote for online.

On the afternoon of **Friday 9 September**, you'll be invited to our Scarecrow Celebration in The Potting Shed, where there'll be fun, games, a bite to eat and we'll announce the winners of the competition and give out some exciting prizes!

If you have any questions, feel free to email us – **info@grimsbygardencentre.org.uk** or drop us a message on social media.

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