How to Build a Scarecrow

Step 1 (if at ICG, this is done!)

Build an armature (scarecrow skeleton). Take two different sized pieces of wood. One piece will give the height of the scarecrow and the other is the length of the arms.

Tie the shorter piece to the longer piece where the arms would be. Duct tape or twine can work! Just wrap it tight!



Step 2

Pick out your clothes and dress your scarecrow. Long pants and long sleeves of any size... Additional accessories can be added after Step 4!



Step 3

Start scooping up hay, straw, leaves (or bunched up newspaper, paper bags...) ...and stuff your scarecrow! Use twine (or rubber bands) to tie at hands and feet.





Step 4

Use burlap, staples, hay, and string to stuff, tie, paint, and add any additional items to your scarecrow head with hot glue.









Step 5

Your scarecrow is now complete! Place it in your garden or farm fields to keep away birds or as a beautiful attraction of other kinds.



....What to do with your Scarecrow After Scarecrow season?

Take it apart.

Use the hay/straw/leaves to mulch your garden beds or as layers in your compost bin

Wash the clothes and wear them! Or donate them.

Reuse the twine or rubber bands for other fun projects

Reuse the stakes for next year's scarecrow! Or take them apart and use them to trellis a plant in your garden or support a baby tree. Make and attach a sign.