

You will need:

- Yarn or pompoms (1½ -3" wide)
- String
- Pasteboard or cardstock
- Sticks or chenille sticks
- Glue
- Scissors

Optional:

- Wiggly eyes
- Beads



Directions:

1. If you have already made pompoms that are ~1½ -3" wide, skip to step 5. Wrap yarn around your hand 40-50 times.



Step 1

2. Cut a 6" piece of yarn and tie it tight around the middle of your yarn.



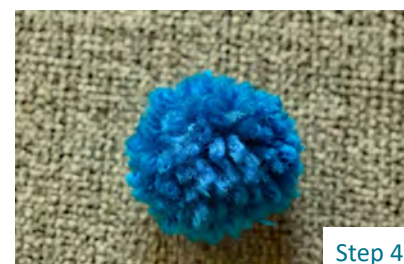
Step 2

3. Cut the loops on each side to make a ball of yarn.



Step 3

4. Trim the ends of the yarn to make an evenly round ball. Roll the ball in the palm of your hands for ~30 seconds several times during the trimming process to fray the ends.



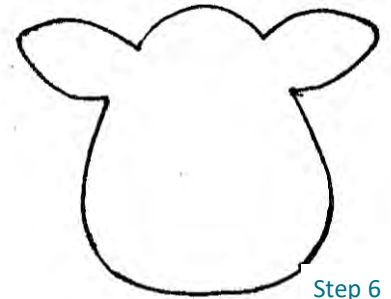
Step 4

5. Glue beads or whatever objects you want to be the feet of your elk onto the pompom. You can also tie the beads/objects onto string and tie to the pompom for dangling legs!



Step 5

6. Trace the provided head outline or draw your own onto cardstock or pasteboard (cereal box) and cut out.



Step 6

7. Decorate your elk head. You can use either chenille sticks or real sticks to make the antlers or don't add any antlers to make a female elk! For the nose, you can either draw it on or glue on any roundish object (I used a balled up piece of chenille stick).



Step 7

8. Glue the head onto the pompom.



Step 8

9. Cut a ~6" piece of string or yarn and tie to the top of your elk and hang your ornament where everyone can see it! :)



Step 9

10. Show us your "gang" of elk on our Facebook page "Adventures in EdZOOcation" or tag the North Carolina Zoo at #NCZOO or #NCZOOED.