Pot-Bellied Passel Piggies

128 Superwash® and 220 Superwash®

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Crochet Pattern C428 – Intermediate

Finished Measurements:

Grande pig – approx. 5” tall by 4” across at widest point.
Petite pig – approx. 4” tall by 2.5” across at widest point.

Materials:

128 Superwash® – 100% Superwash Merino Wool, 128 yds (117 m), 3.5 oz (100g)

220 Superwash® – 100% Superwash Wool, 220 yds (200 m), 3.5 oz (100 g)

Colors:

- 128 Superwash®
  - #384 Highlighter Pink – 1 skein
  - #863 Cordovan – 1 skein
  - #1963 Tutu – 1 skein
- 128 Superwash® Hand Paints
  - #712 Iris – 1 skein
- 220 Superwash®
  - #375 Blush Heather
  - #835 Pink Rose
  - #809 Really Red
  - #819 Chocolate

Tools:

- US size G-6 (4.0 mm) crochet hook
- US size H-8 (5.0 mm) crochet hook
- Black embroidery thread
- Marbles, poly-pellets, or craft rocks (optional)
- Polyfill stuffing

Abbreviations:

BLO – Back loop only
Ch – Chain
FO – Finish off
Hdc – Half double crochet
MR – Magic Ring
R – Round
Sc – Single crochet
Sl st – Slip stitch
Sk – Skip
St(s) – Stitch(es)
TW – Turn work

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- 7 mm, 12 mm safety eyes
- Stitch markers
- Yarn needle

Grande Pig

Yarn: 128 Superwash®

Body

#384 Highlighter Pink

R1: MR + 6 sc

R2: Increase in each st around (12 sc)

R3: (sc, inc) x6 (18 sc)

R4: (2 sc, inc) x6 (24 sc)

R5: (3 sc, inc) x6 (30 sc)

R6–12: Sc in each st around (30 sc)

R13: (3 sc, dec) x6 (24 sc)

R14: Sc in each st around (24 sc)

R15: (2 sc, dec) x6 (18 sc)

Add a small amount of stuffing to the base of the pig. If desired, add weights (marbles, poly pellets, or small craft rocks) inside to help stabilize the pig, then cover the weights with a bit more stuffing.

R16: Sc in each st (18 sc)

R17: (sc, dec) x6 (12 sc)

R18: Sc in each st (12 sc)

Add more stuffing.

R19: (2 sc, dec 2) x2. (8 sc)

Add remaining stuffing. Sl st to next st and FO.

Snout

R1: MR + 8 sc

R2: In BLO, 8 sc

R3: 8 sc. FO, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Placement: Count down five rows from the top of the pig. Add a little stuffing to the snout, then attach it between R5 and R7.

Eyes

Place 12 mm safety eyes between R6 and R7 from the top of the pig, positioning them one stitch away from the snout. Apply a small amount of hot glue to the tip of each eye post to secure them firmly.

Ears

Join-to-Body Method:

Right Ear: With the pig facing you, count down five rows from the top of the head. Insert your hook 2 stitches away from the eye, between R4 and R5. Join with a sl st, then ch 4.

R1: Work 1 sc in each of the next 3 ch sts (3 sc). Ch 1, turn.

R2-5: (3 sc, Ch 1, TW) x 4

R6: 1 sc, dec, Ch 1 TW. (2 sc)

R7: Dec (1 sc). FO, leaving a long tail for sewing. Use the tail to sew the ear down across R5, R4, and R3 so it sits neatly along the curve of the head. FO and weave in ends.

Left Ear: Turn the pig upside down so the head points left and the snout faces you.

Repeat the instructions for the Right Ear.

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Alternate Sewing Method:

For both ears, make a sl st, then ch 2.

In the second ch from the hook, work 3 sc. Ch 1, turn.

Complete instructions for R2–R7 as written in the ear section.

Sew the ear across R4–R6. FO and weave in ends.

Front Legs and Hind Legs

Join-to-Body Method:

Front Right Leg: With the pig facing you, count down 10 rows from the top of the head.

Using the ears as a guide, insert your hook 2 stitches away from the arm, between R9 and R10. Join with a sl st, then ch 4.

R1: In the second ch from hook, work 1 sc across (3 sc). Ch 1, TW.

R2-4: 3 sc, ch 1, TW. Repeat for 3 rows.

Before completing R4, change to #863 Cordovan to finish the row.

R5: 1 sc, dec, ch 1 TW. (2 sc)

R6: Sc across (2 sc)

R7: Dec (1 sc). FO, leaving a long tail. Use the tail to sew the leg in place across R9–R10 and R11. FO and weave in ends.

Front Left Leg: Turn the piggie upside down. The head will be facing left. The snout should be facing you. Complete instructions for Right Front Leg.

Hind Right Leg: Using Front Right Leg as a guide, skip 2 sts. With the pig facing you, count down 12 rows from the top of the head.

Insert your hook between R12 and R13. Join with a sl st, then ch 4.

R1: In the second ch from hook, place 1 sc across (3 sc). Ch 1, TW.

R2-4: 3 sc, ch 1, TW (repeat for 3 rows).

Before completing R4, change to #863 Cordovan to finish row.

R5: 1 sc, dec, ch 1 TW. (2 sc)

R6: Sc across (2 sc)

R7: Dec (1 sc). FO, leaving a long tail.

Weave tail through the stitches to sew the Hind Right Leg down across R13–R14. FO and weave in ends.

Hind Left Leg: Turn the pig upside down so the head points left and the snout faces you.

Repeat the instructions for the Hind Right Leg.

Alternate Sewing Method:

Make a sl st. ch 2. In the second ch from hook, work 1 sc across (3 sc). Ch 1, TW. Complete instructions for all legs following the guidelines above.

Pinch legs to angle them in the right direction.

Tail

Count up from the bottom of the pig. Insert your hook between R6 and R7 and join with a sl st.

Ch 6. In second chain from the hook, place 2 sc in each st (10 sc).

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Ch 1, TW.

Sc across (6 sc).

Sl st to the body to close the base of the tail. FO and weave in the tail end.

Finishing Touches

With black embroidery thread, stitch eyebrows 1 stitch above the eyes. Add eyelashes to the outer corners of the safety eyes. Stitch a small smile under the snout. Add two straight stitches across the top of the snout for nostrils.

Using #1963 Tutu, add blush beneath each eye, 1 stitch away.

See pictures for reference.

Bow

Using #712 Iris, make a sl st, then ch 7.

In the second ch from the hook, work 1 sc in each st across (6 sc). Ch 1, turn.

Sc across (6 sc).

Sl st to the first stitch to close. FO, leaving a long tail.

Pinch the rectangle at the center and wrap the tail tightly around several times to form a bow shape. Use the remaining tail to sew the bow in place beneath the snout.

See pictures for reference.

Tufts of Hair

Insert your hook under the top row of stitches on the pig's head. Using #863 Cordovan, pull up a loop, sl st, and FO, leaving yarn at your desired hair length.

Gently knot the strands to secure them. Tease the strands apart to desired look.

Curly Hair

With the pig facing you, start 1 stitch above the right ear.

Using #863 Cordovan, pull yarn through, sl st, ch 7.

In the second chain from the hook, place 2 sc in each st (12 sc) to create a curl.

Sl st to next st and repeat the pattern: ch 7, in the second chain from the hook, place 2 sc in each st (12 sc), sl st to next st.

Continue working around the crown of the head until you reach the top. FO and weave in ends. Add as many curls as desired to achieve your preferred fullness. If desired, use scrap yarn to tie a small bow on one of the curls to match the photographed look.

Petite Pig

Yarn: 220 Superwash®

Using #835 Pink Rose and #818 Chocolate, follow Body (Snout and Legs) instructions for Grande Pig.

Eyes

Place 7 mm safety eyes between R6 and R7 from the top of the pig, positioning them one stitch away from the snout. Apply a small amount of hot glue to the tip of each eye post to secure them firmly.

Ears

Join-to-Body Method:

Right Ear: With the pig facing you, count down five rows from the top of the head. Insert your hook 2 stitches away from the eye, between R3 and R4. Join with a sl st, then ch 4.

R1: Work 1 sc in each of the next 3 ch sts (3 sc). Ch 1, turn.

R2-5: (3 sc, Ch 1, TW) x 4

R6: 1 sc, dec, Ch 1 TW. (2 sc)

R7: Dec (1 sc). FO, leaving a long tail for sewing. Use the

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tail to sew the ear down across R3, R4, and R5 so it sits neatly along the curve of the head. FO and weave in ends.

Left Ear: Turn the pig upside down so the head points left and the snout faces you.

Repeat the instructions for the Right Ear.

Alternate Sewing Method:

For both ears, make a sl st, then ch 2.

In the second ch from the hook, work 3 sc. Ch 1, turn.

Complete instructions for R2-R7 as written in the ear section.

Sew the ear across R3-R5. FO and weave in ends.

Finishing Touches

Follow Grande Pig instructions for all finishing touches.

Use #835 Pink Rose for blush.

Use #809 Really Red (or scrap yarn) for bow tie.

Using #819 Chocolate, create two ponytails with the Tufts of Hair instructions.

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