

Simply Cute Pig

crochet pattern by Teri Crews



Materials:

Any Worsted Weight Yarn
I used: "I Love This Yarn
from Hobby Lobby in colors:
pink, hot rose, orchid and black
Size G Crochet Hook
Fiberfill
Tapestry needle

Optional Materials:

safety eyes (my pig has 12 mm safety eyes), beads or buttons
plastic pellets and scrap nylon if not using as a toy
blush for a little color and white felt for eyes
buttons for shirt and shoes if not using as a toy

Finished measurements: approx 11 inches not counting ears.

Since this is a toy pattern, gauge is not important. Use a smaller or bigger hook to create different size pigs

Abbreviations and Stitches Used:

ch=chain
dc=double crochet
fo=fasten off
rnd= round
sc=single crochet
sl st = slip stitch
tog = sc 2 stitches together
* = repeat between stars to last stitch
tr=triple crochet

Notes and Tips:

*Pieces are crocheted in the round, do not join with slip stitch unless indicated in individual piece instructions.

*When stuffing pieces, try not to overstuff. Over stuffing will spread out your stitches making bigger holes and showing too much fiberfill.

*I like to use a stitch counter to count off my rows, or scrap paper to mark off. A stitch marker will come in handy when repeating rounds or you can pull through the beginning tail as you go to help you spot the beginning of each round.

*I crochet all my pieces then put my toys together, but maybe you prefer putting them together as you go. Either way your pig will look great.

*I use a little felt under my eyes to help them stand out. Trace around a button that is just a little bit bigger than your eyes. Cut a small slit in the center of the circle, insert eye, and then attach to head.

*If using safety or glass eyes, remember not to close the bottom of the head until you have positioned and secured eyes. To help me make sure my eyes are just where I want them I stuff lightly test positions and then remove stuffing and secure eyes.

*After securing eyes and nose, you might want to do some additional shaping on your pig's face. Thread a tapestry needle with yarn (same color as your pig's head). Insert needle in bottom of head where stitches won't be seen. Pull the needle up through a stitch directly above the eye, in next stitch directly to the right, insert needle and go back down through head. Pull gently on yarn to indent eye just a bit, repeat for other eye, tie off.

*If your pig is not going to be a toy you might want to give him a little weight. I fill the bottom of an old knee high nylon with plastic pellets, tie it off and use to stuff my pig's bottom, then I fill the rest of the body with fiberfill.

*Before attaching legs I always thread my tapestry needle, hold one leg next to my pig's bottom and then insert the threaded needle all the way through the body. This shows me where my legs need to be. Then I attach legs by sewing through a couple stitches on the inside of the leg, insert needle back into body and do the same for the other leg. I tug on my yarn slightly to indent my body just a little, but not too tight or he'll be out of portion. Repeat sewing through legs at least 2 or 3 more times.

*After I've securely sewn on the head, I sew on my arms. Adding them after the head helps me make sure they look correctly positioned.

*After sewing on piggy's snout, maybe you want to stitch a couple little nostrils.

*If pig is not a toy, add buttons to her t-shirt and on the sides of her shoes over the strap.



Body

- Rnd 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch. from hook (6)
 2: 2 sc in each sc around (12)
 3: *sc 1, sc 2 in next sc*, repeat between *'s around (18)
 4: *sc 2, sc 2 in next sc*, repeat between *'s around (24)
 5: *sc 3, sc 2 in next sc*, repeat between *'s around (30)
 6-7: sc in each sc around (30)
 8: *sc 4, sc 2 in next sc*, repeat between *'s around (36)
 9-10: sc in each sc around (36)
 11: *sc 4, sc2tog*, repeat between *'s around (30)
switch to shirt color
 12-14: sc in each sc around (30)
now is a good time to weave in that beginning tail
 15: *sc 3, sc2tog*, repeat between *'s around (24)
 16-20: sc in each sc around (24)
switch back to main color
 21: *sc 2, sc2tog*, repeat between *'s around (18)
 22: sc in each sc around (18)
stuff
 23: sc 2tog around (9)
FO, leave long tail for sewing. Thread tapestry needle with tail, weave through remaining stitches pull tight to close.

Legs (make 2)

Start sole of foot with black (shoe color)

- Rnd 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch. from hook (6)
 2: 2 sc in each sc around (12)
 3: *sc 1, sc 2 in next sc*, repeat between *'s around (18)
 4: *sc 2, sc 2 in next sc*, repeat between *'s around (24)
FO and weave in ends

change to main color

- Rnd 1: In back loops only for this round, join with slip stitch in any sc, sc in same stitch and each sc around (24)
- 2-3: sc in each sc around (24)
- 4: *sc 2, sc2tog *, repeat between *'s around (18)
- 5: sc in each sc around (18)
- now is a good time to weave in that starting tail***
- 6: *sc 1, sc2tog *, repeat between *'s around (12)
- 7-16: sc in each sc around (12)
- Stuff foot firmly and upper portion lightly***
- 17: sc2tog around (6)
- FO, leave a long tail for sewing. Thread tapestry needle with tail, weave through remaining stitches pull tight to close.***

Arms (make 2)

with main color

- Rnd 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch. from hook (6)
- 2: 2 sc in each sc around (12)
- 3-5: sc in each sc around (12)
- now is a good time to weave in that starting tail***
- 6: sc2tog, sc in each remaining sc around (11)
- 7: sc2tog, sc in each remaining sc around (10)
- 8-11: sc in each sc around (10)
- switch to shirt color***
- 12-17: sc in each sc around (10)
- Stuff hand firmly and upper portion lightly***
- 18: sc2tog around (5)
- FO, leave long tail for sewing. Thread tapestry needle with tail, weave through remaining stitches pull tight to close.***

Head

- Rnd 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch. from hook (6)
- 2: 2 sc in each sc around (12)
- 3: *sc 1, sc 2 in next sc*(18)
- 4: *sc 2, sc 2 in next sc*(24)
- 5-6: sc in each sc around (24)
- now is a good time to weave in that beginning tail***
- 7: *sc 3, sc 2 in next sc *(30)
- 8-9: sc in each sc around (30)
- 10: *sc 4, sc 2 in next sc* (36)
- 11: *sc 5, sc 2 in next sc* (42)
- 12: sc in each sc around (42)
- 13: *sc 5, 2tog* (36)
- 14: *sc 4, 2tog* (30)
- 15: *sc 3, 2tog* (24)
- 16-17: sc in each sc around (24)
- 18: *sc 2, 2tog* (18)
- stuff***
- 19: *2tog* (9)
- FO, leave long tail for sewing.***
- If you are using safety eyes, be sure to position and secure them before closing head.***
- After eyes are positioned, thread tapestry needle with tail, weave through remaining stitches pull tight to close.***

Ears (make 2)

Rnd 1: ch 2, 4 sc in 2nd ch. from hook (4)

2: 2 sc in each sc around (8)

3: *sc 1, sc 2 in next sc* (12)

4: *sc 2, 2 sc in next sc* (16)

5-7: sc in each sc around (16)

8: *sc 3, 2 sc in next sc* (20)

FO, leave long tail for sewing. Thread tapestry needle with yarn tail. Whip stitch bottom of ear closed, tug just a bit to bend ear in slightly.

Snout

Rnd 1: ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch. from hook (6)

2: 2 sc in each sc around (12)

3: *sc 1, sc 2 in next sc* (18)

FO, weave in tails



Flower:

with center color

Rnd 1: ch 2, 5 hdc 2nd ch. from hook (5), sl. st to join. FO

with flower color

2: join with sl st in any st, *ch 2, dc, tr, dc, ch2, sl st in same stitch, sl st in next* repeat 4 more times (5 petals)
sl. st to beginning sl st.

FO, weave in ends

Tail

ch 8, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 3 sc in next sc, 4 sc in each of next 3, 3 sc in each of next 2.

FO, weave in ends



Put your pig together, don't forget to refer back to the notes and tips sections.

Hope you enjoyed using this pattern. I appreciate your business and had a great time creating it.
Thanks,

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