

Pigs in Blankets

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This pattern uses UK crochet instructions

<u>Materials</u>	<u>Abbreviations</u>
3mm or 3.5mm hook. Oddments of DK yarn. Toy stuffing. Wool needle for sewing.	SS – Slip Stitch CH – Chain DC – Double Crochet TR - Treble

Special Abbreviation

DC Decrease – Hook through stitch, yarn round hook and draw back to the front. 2 stitches now on hook. *Stop*.

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Hook through next stitch, yarn round hook and draw back through to front. You now have 3 stitches now on hook.

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Yarn over hook, then draw back through to one stitch. You have now reduced 2 stitches to 1 stitch,

Instructions - Pig

Make 2 chain, 6 DC in first chain, (6 DC in total).

Continue to DC in rounds (working in a spiral, do not join rounds). Use a stitch marker to keep track of your rounds.

Rd 2: 2 DC in each stitch, (12 DC).

Rd 3: 2 DC in first stitch, 1 DC in next stitch, repeat around (18 DC).

Rds 3 - 11: DC in each stitch around (18 DC).

Rd 12: DC Decrease, 1 DC in next stitch, repeat around (12 DC).

Fill with suitable filling.

Rd 13: <u>DC Decrease</u>, repeat around (6 DC).

Cut yarn and fasten off. Add more stuffing to the head. Thread the sewing needle and make a running stitch through the top of the last round, pull tights and secure to finish off.

Either end of the piggie may be used for the head.

Nose

Make 2 chain, miss 1 chain 6 DC in the next chain, (6 DC in total).

Join to 1st stitch with a slip stitch. Fasten off. Leave tail end long enough to sew to the head Do not stuff.





Ears

(Leave a tail end long enough to sew the ears to the head afterwards). Make 4 chain.

Row 1; Miss first chain and make 3 DC DECREASE in the chain as follows:

3 DC Decrease instructions – Hook through chain, yarn round hook and draw back to the front. 2 stitches now on hook. $\underline{\textit{Stop}}$.

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Hook through the next chain, yarn round hook and draw back through to front.

You now have 3 stitches now on hook. **Stop**.

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Hook through the next chain, yarn round hook and draw back through to front.

You now have 4 stitches now on hook. Stop.

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Yarn over hook, then draw back through all the stitches to one stitch.

You have now reduced 3 stitches to 1 stitch, Fasten off and sew the thread, weaving through from the top of the ear to the base of the ear.

Curly Tail

Make 7 chain. Miss 1st chain. 2 DC in each chain, (12 DC). Fasten off.

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Granny Square Blanket (make 2 squares)

Using 1st colour, make 5 chain, join with a ss to form a ring.

1st Round - 3ch (to count as 1st tr), 2tr, 1ch,

Then work (3tr, 1ch) three times in ring, join with ss in 3rd ch.

Fasten off. Join in 2nd colour at corner space.

2nd Round - 3ch, (2tr, 1ch 3tr) in corner space, 1ch,

Then work * (3tr, 1ch, 3tr) in next space, 1ch*; Rep from * to * to end of round, join with ss in 3rd chain.

Darn in ends

Stitch the 2 squares together and work one round of DC, working 1 DC in the top of each treble and 3 DC in each corner space.

Making Up

Stitch ears to the top of the head and the nose to the face. Then stich the tail to the bottom back of the body.

Using a contrast yarn make 2 small vertical stitches on the nose. Then make either 2 small over stitches or French knots, just above the nose to create the eyes.

Pull the granny square blanket around the piggie and fasten together with a stitch.