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# Knook Piggy

Amy Gaines has a knack for making little animals in knit and crochet, and this cute pig is something she whipped up while playing around with the Knook, the new tool from Leisure Arts that lets you knit with a crochet hook. Amy introduced Knook Piggy in her Facebook column while participating in our Knook blog tour and graciously agreed to let us share this super easy pattern as a free project. Don't you just love that little face!

If you've been wanting to knit but always felt awkward holding those big long needles, now you can conquer knitting with a special crochet hook called **The Knook**. These bamboo hooks look like regular crochet hooks on one end but have a hole in the other end for connecting a silky cord to hold your stitches. Everything you need for learning is in a beginner kit that comes with Knooks in three sizes (G-4 mm, H-5 mm and I-5.5 mm), three 36-inch cords, and a pocket-size instruction book with 4 beginner projects. [LeisureArts.com](http://LeisureArts.com) has free how-to videos (with general instructions both for left-handers and right-handers) and additional patterns. **Take a look!**



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**Finished Size:** Approximately  
6" wide x 9½" tall (15 cm x 24 cm)

**Materials:**

Medium weight yarn  [1.75 ounces, 98 yards  
(50 grams, 90 meters) per skein]:  
Light Pink - 1 skein  
Dark Pink - 1 skein  
Green - 20 yards (18.5 meters)  
Purple - 20 yards (18.5 meters)

Polyester stuffing

Pink Felt and matching pink  
sewing thread

1 pair size 6 mm black safety eyes  
with washers *Note: If toy is intended  
for children under 3 years old, we  
recommend embroidering the eyes  
with black yarn or embroidery floss.*

Knook, size G (4 mm)

Yarn needle

**Gauge:** In Stockinette Stitch,  
9 sts and 13 rows = 2" (5 cm)

*Note: Gauge is not of great importance  
for this project; your pig can be a little  
larger or smaller without changing the  
overall effect.*

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## BODY

With Green, ch 40.

Pick up 39 sts on foundation ch: 40 sts.

**Rows 1 and 2:** Knit across.

**Rows 3 and 4:** With Purple, knit across.

**Rows 5 and 6:** With Dark Pink, knit across.

**Rows 7 and 8:** With Green, knit across.

**Rows 9 and 10:** With Purple, knit across.

**Rows 11 and 12:** With Dark Pink, knit across.

**Rows 13 and 14:** With Green, knit across.

**Rows 15 and 16:** With Purple, knit across.

**Rows 17 and 18:** With Dark Pink, knit across.

**Rows 19 and 20:** With Green, knit across.

**Rows 21 and 22:** With Purple, knit across.

**Rows 23 and 24:** With Dark Pink, knit across.

**Rows 25 and 26:** With Green, knit across.

**Rows 27 and 28:** With Purple, knit across.

**Rows 29 and 30:** With Dark Pink, knit across.

**Rows 31 and 32:** With Green, knit across.

**Row 33 (Right side):** With Light Pink, knit across.

**Row 34:** Purl across.

**Row 35:** Knit across.

**Row 36:** Purl across.

**Rows 37-46:** Repeat Rows 35 and 36, 5 times.

Bind off all sts loosely in knit. Cut yarn, leaving a 24" (61 cm) length for sewing.

## ARMS AND LEGS (Make 4)

With Dark Pink, ch 8.

Pick up 7 sts on foundation ch: 8 sts.

**Rows 1-3:** Knit across.

**Row 4 (Right side):** With Light Pink, knit across.

**Row 5:** Purl across.

**Row 6:** Knit across.

**Row 7:** Purl across.

**Rows 8-15:** Repeat Rows 4 and 5, 4 times.

Bind off all sts loosely in knit. Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30.5 cm) length for sewing.

## EARS (Make 2)

With Dark Pink, ch 6.

Pick up 5 sts on foundation ch: 6 sts.

**Rows 1-4:** Knit across.

**Row 5:** Bind off the first st, then knit across the remaining sts: 5 sts.

**Row 6:** Bind off the first st, then knit across the remaining sts: 4 sts.

**Row 7:** Bind off the first st, then knit across the remaining sts: 3 sts.

**Row 8:** Bind off the first st, then knit the remaining st: 2 sts. Bind off the remaining sts. Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30.5 cm) length for sewing.

## ASSEMBLY

Cut out a 1-inch-diameter circle from the Pink felt. With Dark Pink yarn or embroidery floss, embroider nostrils in the middle of the felt (Amy likes to make 2 French knots.) Using photo as a guide, arrange the felt nose on the Light Pink section of the Body; sew in place. Arrange and secure safety eyes to face. *Note: If toy is intended for children under 3 years old, we recommend embroidering the eyes.* With a scrap of Dark Pink or Red yarn, embroider smile using Straight Stitch (Fig. 1, page 4).

Fold Body piece in half so that the cast-on edge is the bottom of the Body and the bind-off edge is the top; place the seam along one side. With yarn, sew cast-on edge together, side seam together, and bind-off edge together, stuffing firmly as you sew.

Using photo as a guide, arrange the Ears at the top edge of the head portion of the Body; with Dark Pink yarn, sew Ears to Body. For the Arms and Legs, the Dark Pink rows will be the hands and feet. Starting at the Dark Pink rows, sew the cast-on edge together; then forming tubes, sew the seams, stuffing lightly as you sew. Arrange the arms at sides of Body and the legs at bottom of Body; with Light Pink yarn, sew in place.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

ch(s)	chain(s)
cm	centimeters
K	knit
mm	millimeters
P	purl
st(s)	stitch(es)

( ) or [ ] – contains explanatory remarks.

**colon (:)** – the number(s) given after a colon at the end of a row denote(s) the number of stitches you should have on that row.

**right vs. wrong side** – On the finished piece, the right side of your work is the side that the public will see.



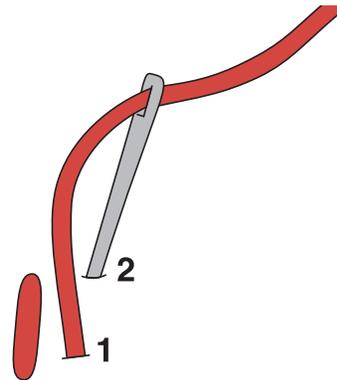
## GAUGE

Gauge is a measurement of the number of stitches and rows in a 4" (10 cm) square piece in the pattern stitch you are working. Finding the exact gauge is not important for this project, as the pig can be a little larger or smaller without changing the overall effect. Be sure your fabric is dense enough so that stuffing does not show through your stitches.

## STRAIGHT STITCH

Straight stitch is just what the name implies, a single, straight stitch. Come up at 1 and go down at 2 (Fig. 1).

Fig. 1



## PHOTO MODEL

Photo model was made using **Lion Brand® Baby Wool** in the following colors:

Light Pink – Coral #823-103

Dark Pink – Peony #823-102

Green – Sprout #823-174

Purple – Lavender #823-144

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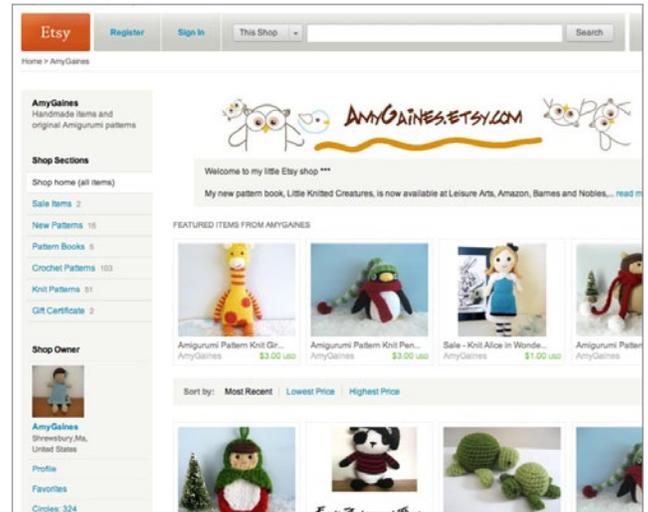
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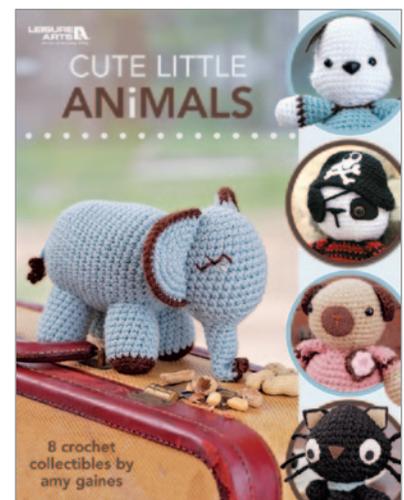
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