

Pig Bag

Needles: 6mm circular; 2 straight 6mm; 2 straight 5mm; 2 straight 3.75mm
Yarn: Any pink double knitting; black DK
Two pink handles

Body:

Using 6mm circular needle cast on 80 stitches using 2 strands of yarn – continue to knit in a circle – marking the beginning of the round.

Knit until you reach 2 inches below the desired length (about 8 inches) ending at your mark.

Change to the straight 6mm needles and knit 40 stitches – turn and work st.st. for 2 inches ending with a purl row.

Next 10 rows: K2 P2 rib – [this depends on what thickness of handle you are using.](#)

Cast off in rib

Finish the remaining side the same.

If you are using the straight needles only – cast on 40 stitches and work as above – then stitch the 2 pieces together up to 2 inches below the rib.

Snout pocket:

Using 5mm needles and 2 strands of yarn:

Cast on 10 stitches

- K row, increasing one stitch at each end
- P row, increasing one stitch at each end
- K row, increasing one stitch at each end
- P row

[Repeat last 2 rows 4 times more – 24 stitches](#)

- Work 10 rows in st. st.
- K row, decrease one stitch at each end
- P row

[Repeat the last two rows 3 times more](#)

- K row, decrease one stitch at each end
- P row, decrease one stitch at each end
- K row, decrease one stitch at each end

Cast off – this will be the top of the snout.

At one side, one inch from the top of the snout sew a gather stitch round to the other side and stop one inch from the top (see photograph) pull this so that it is slightly gathered and will stand out when sewn onto the body. Sew the gathered edge to the body leaving it open at the top and open one inch down each side.



Ears (make 2):

With 6mm needles and two strands of yarn, cast on 10 stitches

Work 4 rows in st.st.

- K row, decrease one stitch at each end
- P row

Repeat the last 2 rows until 2 stitches remain

- K row, increase one stitch at each end
- P row

Repeat the last 2 rows until there are 10 stitches

Work 4 rows in st.st.

Cast off; fold right sides together; stitch sides; turn so that the right side is outside and join the cast off & cast on stitches together. Sew onto body.



Tail:



With 6mm needles and 2 strands of yarn cast on 3 stitches.

Work in st.st. for 6 inches

Cut the yarn, thread through the stitches and pull tight.

Fold over so the right side is outside and stitch sides together and pull tight so that it curls.

Stitch to the back of the bag.

Eyes (make 2):

Using 3.75 needles and one strand of black yarn

Cast on 4 stitches

- K row, increase into every stitch
- P row, increase into every stitch

Cast off

Form into a circle then stitch onto the body



Nostrils (make 2):

Using 3.75 needles and one strand of black yarn

Cast on 6 stitches

- K row Increase into every stitch

Cast off

Form into a circle then stitch onto the snout.

Stitch the rib over the handles and join the cast on edge together.