

# Perky Pig Potholder



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Material	Quantity	Needle
Article 346	2 Balls White	Steel 3 (2.10mm)
	or	
Article 40	2 Balls White	Steel 3 (2.10mm)
	and	
Article 5D	2 Skeins Pink & 1 Skein each Blue, Red, Yellow, Green and Black	Steel 7 (1.65mm)

**SIZE 10 Lace, Fingering, Bedspread**

similar to 0 CYC Lace UK 1ply Australia 2 ply

Dmc Herrschners lists nine colors

Aunt Lydia's Herrschners lists fifty-four colors, Michael's lists twenty-six, Walmart lists one

Redheart Michael's lists five colors, Walmart lists three

Thread Art Walmart list twenty-seven colors

Herrschners Best Herrschners lists twenty colors.

Entire potholder is made with a double strand of cotton.

Pattern in US terms.

With White and No. 3 (2.10mm) hook, ch 12, sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in

each remaining st of ch, ch 1, turn.

2nd Row. 2 sc in each of the next 2 sc, 1 sc in each of the next 7 sc, 2 sc in each of the next 2 sc, ch 1, turn.

3rd Row. 2 sc in each of the next 2 sc, 1 sc in each of the next 11 sc, 2 sc in each of the next 2 sc, ch 1, turn.

4th and 5th Rows. Working in sc throughout, increase 1 sc at beginning and end of row, ch 1, turn.

Next 3 Rows. Work even.

9th and 10th Rows. Repeat 4th row.

Next 2 Rows. Work even.

13th Row. 1 sc in each of the next 27 sc, ch 5, turn.

14th Row. Sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each of the next 3 sts of ch, 1 sc in each remaining sc, ch 1, turn.

15th Row. Increase 1 sc at beginning of row, ch 1, turn.

Next 4 Rows. Work even.

20th Row. Repeat 4th row.

21st Row. 2 sc in next sc, 1 sc in each of the next 29 sc, ch 1, turn.

Next 8 Rows. Work even.

30th Row. Ch 5, turn, sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each remaining st of ch, 1 sc in each sc, ch 1 to turn each of the following rows.

Next 4 Rows. Work even.

35th and 36th Rows. Decrease 1 sc at end of row (to decrease: insert hook in st, pull through, insert hook in next st, pull through, thread over and pull through all loops at one time).

37th Row. 1 sc in each of the next 28 sc.

38th Row. Repeat 35th row.

39th Row. Increase 1 sc at end of row.

40th Row. Increase 1 sc at beginning of row.

41 st Row. 1 sc in each of the next 27 sc.

42nd Row. Repeat 35th row.

43rd Row. Decrease 1 sc at beginning of row.

44th and 45th Rows. Decrease 1 sc at beginning and end of each row.

46th Row. Work even.

47th Row. Repeat 39th row.

48th Row. Work even.

49th Row. Decrease 1 sc, 1 sc in each of the next 17 sc.

50th and 51st Rows. Repeat 44th row.

52nd Row. 1 sc in each of the next 8 sc.

53rd Row. Sl st in each of the next 3 sc, 1 sc in each of the next 5 sc, without breaking thread work a row of sc all around entire section.

TAIL: With White ch 13, sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each remaining st of ch, break thread. Sew tail in position.

EARS: With Pink "STAR" Six Strand Embroidery Cotton and No. 7 (1.

65mm) hook, ch 11, sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each remaining st of ch, ch 1 to turn each row.

Work 3 rows even, then decrease 1 sc at beginning and end of each row until

**1 st remains, break thread.**

**Work 3 more sections in same manner. Sew 2 sections together and sew in position as illustrated.**

**SNOUT: With Pink ch 5, sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each remaining st of ch.**

**2nd Row. Increase 1 sc at beginning and end of row.**

**Work 3 rows even. Decrease 1 sc at beginning and end of each row until 1 st remains, break thread leaving an end for sewing. Thread into needle and sew in position.**

**FLOWERS: With Yellow "STAR" Six Strand Embroidery Cotton and No. 7 (1.65mm) hook, ch 2, 10 sc in 2nd st from hook, join, break thread.**

**Attach Blue, \* ch 3, 3 dc in same space, ch 3, sl st in same space, skip 1 sc, sl st in next sc, repeat from \* 4 times, break thread.**

**Work 1 more flower in Blue and 2 flowers in Red.**

**LEAVES: With Green "STAR" Six Strand Embroidery Cotton ch 10, dc in 3rd st from hook, 1 dc in each of the next 4 sts of ch, 1 sc in each of the next 2 sts, 3 sc in next st, working on other side of ch, 1 sc in each of the next 2 sts, 1 dc in each of the next 5 sts, break thread. Work 4 more leaves in same manner.**

**Sew flowers and leaves in position as illustrated. With Green and using 12 strands for all embroidery, embroider stem in chain st. With Black, embroider eye, ears, mouth and snout.**

**BACK SECTION: Work 1st 33 rows same as front.**

**34th Row. 1 sc in each of the next 5 sc, ch 10, skip 10 sc (thumb opening), 1 sc in each remaining sc.**

**35th Row. 1 sc in each sc and 1 sc in each st of ch, decreasing 1 sc at end of row. Complete back section same as front.**

**THUMB: With White and No. 3 hook, work 1 sc in each st of thumb opening (20 sc), without joining rows work 11 rows in sc even.**

**Next Row. Decrease 5 sc evenly spaced, then work 3 rows even.**

**Decrease every other st until 8 sts remain, break thread leaving an end.**

**Thread into needle and sew top of thumb together, fasten firmly.**

**Overcast sections together leaving an opening around head large enough for hand.**

**Cover a ring with sc and attach to back of holder 1 inch (2.54cm) from top of back.**

**Pattern in UK terms.**

**With White and No. 3 (2.10mm) hook, ch 12, dc in 2nd st from hook, 1 dc in each remaining st of ch, ch 1, turn.**

**2nd Row. 2 dc in each of the next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of the next 7 dc, 2 dc in each of the next 2 dc, ch 1, turn.**

**3rd Row. 2 dc in each of the next 2 dc, 1 dc in each of the next 11 dc, 2 dc in each of the next 2 dc, ch 1, turn.**

**4th and 5th Rows. Working in dc throughout, increase 1 dc at beginning and end of row, ch 1, turn.**

**Next 3 Rows. Work even.**

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**13th Row. 1 dc in each of the next 27 dc, ch 5, turn.**

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