Pretty Piggy

Materials:

Approx. 10m (11yd) of DK (8-ply) yarn in pink Small amounts of DK (8-ply) yarn in dark brown and soft pink

Small amounts of 4-ply (fingering) yarn in cerise, yellow, green and purple or colours of your choice for the flowers (use two or three strands of DK (8-ply) yarn if you do not have 4-ply (fingering) yarn)

Small amount of toy stuffing

Approximate size:

6.5cm (2½in) long



Instructions:

Body

Cast on 8 sts loosely using pink yarn.

Row 1 (RS): inc to end (16 sts).

Row 2: p.

Row 3: inc to end (32 sts).

Rows 4-20: st st, starting with a p row.

Row 21: k10, (k2tog, k1) four times, k10 (28 sts).

Row 22: p.

Row 23: (k2tog) to end (14 sts).

Row 24: change to soft pink yarn and p.

Row 25: p for the edge.

Row 26: p2, (p2tog, p2) to end (11 sts).

Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Ears (make two)

Cast on 5 sts using pink yarn.

Row 1 (WS): p.

Row 2: skpo, k1, k2tog (3 sts).

Row 3: p.

Row 4: sl1, k2tog, psso and fasten off.

Legs (make four)

Cast on 5 sts using pink yarn and work an i-cord for 2 rows. Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Tail

Cast on 2 sts and work an i-cord for 3 rows.
Pass the first st over the second and fasten off.

Flowers (make two)

Cast on 10 sts using 4-ply (fingering) yarn colour of your choice, break yarn. Draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Making up

Sew the body seam and stuff. Attach the legs and tail. Fold the ears in half and attach. Thread some 4-ply (fingering) yarn in the colour of your choice onto a sewing needle and insert into the centre of the flower, making a short backstitch. Attach the flowers above the piggy's right ear. Work French knots for the eyes using dark brown yarn. Work small backstitches for the nostrils and mouth using dark brown yarn.