

Easy Classic Granny Square

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A granny square is the quintessential crochet project for beginners or traditional crocheters. This Easy Classic Granny Square is an iconic style that everyone who picks up a crochet hook should know how to make.

Use this crochet square tutorial to create many complementing-colored squares that can be connected together for a beautiful granny square afghan or use your squares for another project. There are so many ways to use these squares!

This traditional Granny Square Tutorial shows you how to make neat and tidy color changes for every round. If you want to make a solid colored granny square, simply sl st from the last st of your round to the next available ch3sp and replace the initial standing double crochet stitch with a ch 3.



Finished Size: 5 inches x 5 inches

Materials Needed:

Crochet Hook: G/6 or 4 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (3) Light/DK (21-24 to 4 inches)

Yarn in your favorite color(s)

Abbreviations Used:

US terminology used

beg – beginning

ch1sp – chain one space

ch3sp – chain three space

R – round

RS – right side (aka as the 'pretty side' of your work)

rem – remaining

rep – repeat

sc – single crochet

sk – skip

sl st – slip stitch

st/sts – stitch/stitches

* – Repeat the instructions between the asterisks the number of times indicated. This repeat will contain of multiple instructions.

() – Repeat the instructions between the parentheses the number of times indicated.

[] – at the end of the row – the total number of stitches

Classic Granny Square Pattern:

Tip: If you are making a granny square blanket or a very large granny square (bigger than 16-inches square) I recommend you turn after each round, rather than work the project with the RS facing each round.

Notes:

- sl st does not count as a stitch in the row end count
- sk all dc stitches unless otherwise specified
- This project is worked with the RS facing for every round
- Join yarn in corner ch3sp can be done with a sl st to join and ch 3, or a standing double crochet stitch. I demonstrated the sl st to join, ch 3 in R2. I used my preferred method in R3-R5

R1: Ch 4, beg in 4th ch (Note: the sk 3 ch count as 1 dc) and work (2 dc, ch 3). *In the same ch work: (3 dc, ch 3)**. Rep from * to ** 3 times. Sl st to the second st of the round to join and finish off. [12 dc, 4 ch3sp]



R2: Join yarn in any ch3sp with a sl st to join, ch 3 (counts as 1 dc) or use a standing dc to begin the round. In the same ch3sp work (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1). *(3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1) in the next ch3sp.** Rep from * to ** 3 times. Sl st to the second st of the round to join and finish off. [24 dc, 4 ch3sp, 4 ch1sp]



R3: Join yarn in any ch3sp with a standing dc. In the same ch3sp work (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1). (3 dc, ch 1) in the next ch1sp. *(3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1) in the next ch3sp, (3 dc, ch 1) in the next ch1sp**. Rep from * to ** 3 times. Sl st to the second st of the round to join and finish off. [36 dc, 4 ch3sp, 8 ch1sp]



R4: Join yarn in any ch3sp with a standing dc. In the same ch3sp work (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1). (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch1sp across. *(3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1) in the next ch3sp, (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch1sp across**. Rep from * to ** 3 times. Sl st to the second st of the round to join and finish off. [48 dc, 4 ch3sp, 12 ch1sp]



R5: Join yarn in any ch3sp with a standing dc. In the same ch3sp work (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1). (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch1sp across. *(3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 1) in the next ch3sp, (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch1sp across**. Rep from * to ** 3 times. Sl st to the second st of the round to join and finish off. [60 dc, 4 ch3sp, 12 ch1sp]



Finishing: Weave in any ends. Your square measures 5-inches square at this point.