



CROCHET PATTERN · US CROCHET TERMS

Classic Granny Square

The timeless square, with a stitch chart and a blanket planner

SKILL

Beginner



FINISHED SIZE

5.5 in / 14 cm square

YARN

Worsted (weight 4)

HOOK

5.0 mm (US H-8)

WELCOME

Hello, maker!

Welcome to the Classic Granny Square: the little square behind blankets, bags, cushions and cardigans. Once you know it, you will never forget it.

This pattern gives you the square in words and as a stitch chart, a colour guide, the rule for making it as big as you like, and a planner with the number of squares and the yarn for six blanket sizes.

With love, YaraDream



● At a glance

SKILL	Beginner
TIME	20 to 30 minutes a square
SIZE	A 5-round square measures about 5.5 in / 14 cm with worsted yarn and a 5.0 mm hook
YARN	Worsted (weight 4), about 10 g in 1 colour (amounts per colour on page 3)
HOOK	5.0 mm (US H-8)
PIECES	Granny square x1
WORKED	In joined rounds from the centre
TERMS	US crochet terms; abbreviations on page 4

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Tick as you go

Every round has a box. Tick it when it is done, on paper or on a tablet.

Count your stitches

The number at the end of each round is your stitch total.

US crochet terms

Prefer UK terms? The UK-terms files are in your download.

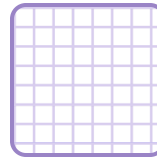
BEFORE YOU START

Materials & tools

Any worsted yarn. Use up your scraps, or choose a palette.



● Gauge



Rounds 1 to 2 = about 2.5 in / 6 cm square. Gauge is not critical for one square, but every square of a blanket must match: make all of them with the same hook and yarn.

● Yarn

Any colour

Worsted
(weight 4),
acrylic,
cotton or
wool

A



10 g / 19 m per square

Amounts come from the stitch totals of this pattern, plus about 25% for tails and tension.

● Tools & notions

- ☐ 5.0 mm (US H-8) crochet hook, or the size needed to obtain gauge
- ☐ Tapestry needle
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Blocking mat and pins (optional)

● Good to know

- Make your first square, then measure and weigh it. Multiply by the number of squares for your project.
- If your square is wavy, use a smaller hook. If it cups, use a bigger one.

STITCH GUIDE

Stitches & abbreviations

This copy uses US crochet terms. The UK name of each stitch is shown beside it.

US	UK	WHAT IT MEANS
[] n times	[] n times	repeat the stitches inside the brackets n times
ch	ch	chain
dc	tr	double crochet
Grps	Grps	the number of 3-dc groups at the end of the round
MR	MR	magic ring (also called magic circle)
Rnd	Rnd	round
sl st	sl st	slip stitch
st(s)	st(s)	stitch(es)

● Magic ring

A closed centre with no hole. Every piece in this pattern starts with one.

1. Wrap the yarn twice around two fingers, crossing it over itself.
2. Insert the hook under both strands, catch the working yarn and pull up a loop.
3. Chain 1 to secure. This chain does not count as a stitch.
4. Work the stitches of round 1 into the ring, over both strands and the tail.
5. Pull the tail firmly to close the centre, then continue with round 2.



● Joined rounds

Some small pieces are joined at the end of each round instead of worked in a spiral.

1. At the end of the round, slip stitch into the first stitch of the round.
2. The slip stitch does not count as a stitch. Begin the next round as written.

● Moving to the corner

Each round starts in a corner space.

1. After joining, slip stitch in the next 2 dc so the hook is at the corner.
2. Slip stitch into the corner ch-2 space. The next round starts here.



● Joining squares (whipstitch)

A flat, almost invisible seam.

1. Place two squares side by side, right sides up.
2. With a long tail of yarn, go under the back loop of one edge stitch on each square.
3. Repeat along the edge, one stitch to one stitch, including the chains.
4. Do not pull tight: the seam should lie flat.



READ THIS FIRST

Pattern notes

● Before you start

- Rounds are joined with a slip stitch to the top of the first ch-3. Do not turn the work.
- The ch 3 at the start of a round counts as the first dc.
- "Space" means the gap under a chain: work the stitches into the gap, not into the chain itself.
- The pill shows the number of 3-dc groups in the round. Round n has 4 x n groups.

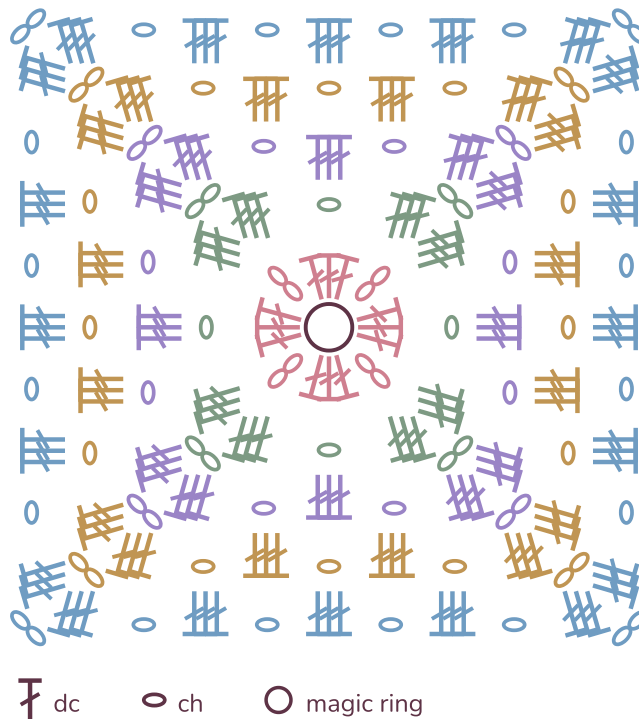
● Construction at a glance

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Granny square

Make 1 · 5 rounds · colour A

● Stitch chart



Read from the centre out. One colour per round, as in the colour guide. Each round starts in a corner.

SIZING

Blanket planner

For 5-round squares of about 5.5 in / 14 cm. Typical sizes vary; these are common starting points. Yarn includes about 10% for joining.

BLANKET	TYPICAL SIZE	SQUARES	TOTAL	JOINED SIZE	YARN (ABOUT)
Lovey	10 x 10 in	2 x 2	4	11 x 11 in	90 yd / 90 m
Stroller	30 x 35 in	5 x 6	30	28 x 33 in	670 yd / 610 m
Receiving	40 x 40 in	7 x 7	49	38 x 38 in	1,090 yd / 1,000 m
Throw	50 x 60 in	9 x 11	99	50 x 60 in	2,190 yd / 2,010 m
Twin	66 x 90 in	12 x 16	192	66 x 88 in	4,250 yd / 3,890 m
Queen	90 x 100 in	16 x 18	288	88 x 99 in	6,370 yd / 5,830 m

Your squares are a different size? Divide the blanket width by the width of your square, then the length the same way. Round to the nearest whole square.

Yarn for any blanket: weigh one finished square, multiply by the number of squares and add 10% for joining and the border.

LET'S MAKE IT

The pattern

One square, five rounds. The chart on the notes page shows the same rounds.

Granny square		
1	Worked in joined rounds from the centre. The number in the pill is the number of 3-dc groups.	<div>A · Any colour</div> <div>Make 1</div>
RND	INSTRUCTIONS	GRPS
☐ Rnd 1	Make a magic ring. Ch 3 (counts as the first dc), 2 dc in the ring, ch 2, [3 dc in the ring, ch 2] 3 times. Pull the ring closed and sl st to the top of the first ch-3.	4
	Tip. Pull the ring tight before you join. Round 1 has 4 groups of 3 dc and 4 corner spaces.	
☐ Rnd 2	Sl st in the next 2 dc and into the corner ch-2 space. Ch 3 (counts as a dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same space, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next corner space, ch 1, repeat from * 2 more times. Sl st to the top of the first ch-3.	8
	Count check. Round 2 has 8 groups: 2 in every corner, none along the sides yet.	
☐ Rnd 3	Sl st in the next 2 dc and into the corner ch-2 space. Ch 3 (counts as a dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same space, ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next corner space, ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1, repeat from * 2 more times. Sl st to the top of the first ch-3.	12
☐ Rnd 4	Sl st in the next 2 dc and into the corner ch-2 space. Ch 3 (counts as a dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same space, ch 1, [3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1] 2 times, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next corner space, ch 1, [3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1] 2 times, repeat from * 2 more times. Sl st to the top of the first ch-3.	16
☐ Rnd 5	Sl st in the next 2 dc and into the corner ch-2 space. Ch 3 (counts as a dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same space, ch 1, [3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1] 3 times, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next corner space, ch 1, [3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1] 3 times, repeat from * 2 more times. Sl st to the top of the first ch-3.	20
	<i>Fasten off and weave in the ends. For a bigger square, keep going: see "Bigger squares" below.</i>	

1. **Bigger squares.** Every new round works like Rnd 5: (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in each corner space and 3 dc in each ch-1 space, with ch 1 between groups. Each round has 4 more groups than the one before.
2. To change colour at the end of a round: fasten off. Join the new colour with a slip stitch in any corner space, ch 3 (counts as a dc), then (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same space and work the rest of the round as written.

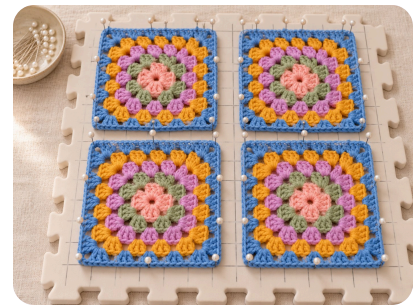
PUTTING IT TOGETHER

Making a blanket

● Placement guide

- Arrange your squares on the floor first, and take a photo so you remember the order.
- Join the squares into rows, then join the rows. Match the corners carefully.
- Edge it with one more granny round all the way around (with 3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc in the four outer corners), then a round of sc.

- ☐ **1** **Block your squares** before joining: pin each one to size, spray with water and let it dry.



- ☐ **2** **Join** with the whipstitch on the stitches page, or with a row of sc on the wrong side for a raised seam.



● Finishing & care

- Weave in every end along the back of a few stitches of the same colour.
- Wash the finished blanket as the yarn label says and dry it flat.

HELP IS HERE

Troubleshooting

The questions makers ask most, answered before you need to ask.

My square is not square.

Check each corner has (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc), and that you start each round in a corner space.

The edges are wavy.

Your chains are too loose, or your hook is too big. Go down half a size.

The square twists.

That is normal before blocking. Block every square before you join them.

I lose track of the start.

The ch 3 is always in a corner. Put a marker in it.

The ring opened up.

Weave the starting tail back through the first round and pull it tight again.

My group count is off.

Each round adds 4 groups: 4, 8, 12, 16, 20. Count one side: round n has n groups on each side.

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Project tracker

Keep this page next to your work. Tick off each piece and round.

YARN USED

HOOK SIZE

STARTED

FINISHED

MADE FOR

FINISHED SIZE

Pieces

1 Granny square

Make 1



Round counter

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36

My notes



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Sweet pea

One colour per round, a soft rainbow.



Classic

Bright centres and a black last round.



Oatmeal

Neutrals for a calm, modern blanket.

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