

Basic Granny Square

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This is a basic granny square which is fast and easy to make. It is the basis where all other granny squares are derived from. This is not my pattern but what I do when I want to make a basic granny square.

Materials Needed

Small amount worsted weight 4ply yarn, any color. Size G aluminum crochet hook yarn needle

Yarn Thickness: 4mm Gauge: 4dc=1" Finished Size: 6"x6" Skill Level: Beginner

Instructions

RND 1: Ch4, join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3, 2dc in ring. Ch2. *3dc in ring, ch2, 3 times. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 2: Slst in each of the first 2 dc and into the first ch2 sp. Ch3, 2dc, ch3, 3dc in same sp. Ch1. *3dc, ch2, 3dc in next ch2 sp. Ch1. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 3: Slst in each of the first 2 dc and into the first ch2 sp. Ch3, 2dc, ch3, 3dc in same sp. Ch1. 3dc in next ch1 sp. Ch1. *3dc, ch2 3dc in next ch2 sp. Ch1. 3dc in next ch1 sp. Ch1. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 4: Slst in each of the first 2 dc and into the first ch2 sp. Ch3, 2dc, ch3, 3dc in same sp. Ch1. 3dc in

next ch1 sp, ch1, twice.
*3dc, ch2 3dc in next ch2 sp. Ch1.
3dc in next ch1 sp, ch1, twice. Rep
from * around. Join w/slst to top of

RND 5: Slst in each of the first 2 dc and into the first ch2 sp. Ch3, 2dc, ch3, 3dc in same sp. Ch1. 3dc in next ch1 sp, ch1, 3 times. *3dc, ch2 3dc in next ch2 sp. Ch1. 3dc in next ch1 sp, ch1, 3 times. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

Work the next rounds exactly the same increasing the section (3dc in next ch1 sp, ch1 ___ times.) by one for each round you add on. You can make your granny square as big as you want by adding RNDs. Or you can stop at 6 RNDs to make an afghan out of individual squares. You can also use a different color yarn for each RND of a square for a dazzling effect.



Changing Colors

To change colors at beginning of each rnd Fasten off after slst to top of ch3. Leave yarn about 5" long and after square is complete, weave ends into work. Tie on new color in ch 2 lp and proceed onto the next rnd in pattern. For Finishing each square, After sl st into the top of ch 3, fasten off and either weave both ends into work or weave just the starting end into the work and leave the finishing end long to sew the squares together. It depends on what type of effect you want as to what you should do.

Abbreviations

Ch-----Chain
dc-----Double Crochet
slst----Slip Stitch
sp-----space
rnd-----round
rg-----ring

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