

Basic Granny Square (Kiss Granny)

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Notes:

- This basic granny square is made up of 'dc clusters' of 3 double crochets each and chain 2's at the corners.
- As you make it you will see that it is a simple repetitive pattern of making dc clusters between the clusters of the previous row, as well as making a cluster, a 'ch 2' and a second cluster for each corner.
- Some yarn artists like to use a ch 3 (rather than chain 2) at the corner and feel that the corners are more crisp this way. It makes a slight difference in size, so simply be consistent.
- These directions assume the use of one color throughout and are written so you don't have to break off the yarn each round, but simply chain up from the slip stitch in the previous round. This is how I learned to do it originally. Alternately, you could flip it over and work in the opposite direction each round.
- If you wish to change colors between rounds simply finish off after slipping to join the last stitch of the round and then slip to join in any chain 2 space with the new color.
- The directions show 4 rounds. The pattern from there is just a growing repetition.
- One can make a granny square that is anywhere from just 2 rounds to Avogadro's number. Suit yourself. I seem to be hooked on 6 rounds, but that's just me. ☺

Materials:

- crochet hook (a US G or H is nice or what you have on hand)
- yarn (4 ply or whatever you have.) that will yield the desired size square you want.

Instructions:

Round 1: magic ring, ch up 3 (first dc made), 2 dc, ch 2, *3 dc (dc cluster), ch 2. Repeat from * 2 more times slip to first st

Round 2: Continuing in ch 2 space; Ch up 2 (1st dc made) 2 dc, * skip dc cluster to the next ch 2 and then 3 dc ch 2, 3 dc, repeat from * 2 times, then to complete first corner; dc cluster ch 2 and slip to join to fist dc.

Round 3: Continuing in ch 2 space; Ch up 2 (1st dc made) 2 dc, *, skip dc cluster, make 1 dc cluster between the clusters of previous row. Then in next ch 2 space; 1 dc cluster, ch 2, 1 dc cluster. Repeat from * 2 more times and then to complete first corner; 1 dc cluster ch 2 and slip to join to fist dc.

Round 4: : Continuing in ch 2 space; Ch up 2 (1st dc made) 2 dc, * skip dc cluster, make 1 dc cluster between each of the clusters of the previous row. Then in next ch 2 space; 1 dc cluster, ch 2, 1 dc cluster. Repeat from * 2 more times and then to complete first corner; 1 dc cluster ch 2 and slip to join to fist dc.

More Rounds: Further rounds are a growing repetition of round 4. You are finished when you have made the number of rounds you desire. When that happens, simply finish off your yarn and weave in the ends.