



Retro chunky granny square

Free pattern

Materials

- 4 or 5 colours in Stylecraft chunky yarn, including a light colour such as cream or parchment and a darker shade, or other chunky (16 ply) yarn
- Size J or 10 (USA size), size 4 (Canadian) size 5mm or 6mm (UK size) crochet hook
- Scissors
- Darning needle



Retro colours

The Stylecraft chunky colours used for this square are (from the middle outwards) gold, camel, spice, walnut, cream, gold, walnut, spice, cream, camel. You can also have fun making up your own colour combinations

USA terms are used throughout

The granny square

Round 1: Using gold, make 4 chains. Join with a slip stitch to make a ring. Make three chains then make 11 double crochet (dc) stitches into the chain ring. Join with a slip stitch to the third chain of the first stitch. You should have 12 stitches. Fasten off and weave in the ends.

Round 2: Using camel join through both loops of any dc in the previous round. Make three chains. Make one dc into the same stitch. Then make two dc into the remaining dcs in the previous round, going through both loops each time. Join to the third chain of the first stitch with a slip stitch. Fasten off and weave in the ends. This round should have 24 stitches.

Round 3: Using spice, join the new yarn through any of the spaces between the sets of two dcs in the previous round. Make three chains. Make two dc into the same space. Then make three dc into the remaining spaces between the dc pairs all the way round. Join to the third chain of the first stitch with a slip stitch. Fasten off and weave in the ends. You should have 36 stitches - 12 clusters of three dc stitches.



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Note: so far you have made a circle. You will now add corners to turn this into a square.

Round 4: Using walnut join the new yarn into any space between the dc clusters. Make three chains. Make two dc into the same space. In the next space of the previous round, make three dc. In the next space make two dc, two chains and two dc. This is your first corner. *In the next two spaces, make three dc. Then in the next space, make the second corner by doing two dc, two chains and two dc.* Repeat from * to * twice more. Join with the third chain of the first stitch using a slip stitch. You should have four corners with two dc clusters between each one. 48 stitches in total (40 dc plus the 8 chains for the corners). Fasten off and weave in the ends.

Your square will not be a perfect square yet. The sides will bulge out. We will correct this in the next round, which includes half dc stitches as well as dc stitches.

Round 5: Using cream join the new yarn into any space between the dc clusters on the side of your square. A space between two dc clusters just after a corner is best. Make two chains. Then make two half dc stitches into the same space. In the next two spaces between the dc clusters on the side of the square make three half dc stitches. These are shorter, so will reduce the width of the sides of your square, making the shape a more precise square. *At the corner, make two dc into the space created by the two chain stitches. Then make two chains and two more dc. On the next side, make three half dc stitches into each space.* Repeat from * to * until you have gone all round the square. Join to the second chain of the first stitch with a slip stitch and fasten off and weave in the ends.

Round 6. We are back to all dc stitches for this round and the rest of the square. Using gold, join the yarn in a space between the clusters of the previous round. Make three chains. Make two dc into the same space. Continue around the square making three dc into the space between each cluster. At each corner, make two dc stitches into the space created by the two chains, then make two chains and two more dc stitches. Join with a slip stitch and fasten off the ends.

Round 7: Using walnut repeat round 6.

Round 8: Using spice, repeat round 6.

Round 9 Using cream, repeat round 6.

Round 10 Using camel, repeat round 6.

You can add more rounds or use less rounds to alter the size of the square.

