Cluster granny hexagon

US terms



Finished size
About 6¼ in (16 cm) from one flat side to the opposite one

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with color changes and 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: saffron, round 1	**about 3 yd (3 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rose pink, round 2	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: berry, round 3	**about 6 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: leaf green, round 4	**about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: ivory, rounds 5 and 6	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 20 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 3 the hexagon measures about 3½ in (9 cm) across and is still round. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.

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- A chain 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in; after a new color is joined, it is the stitch the color was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- The chain 2 at the start of a round only lifts the yarn: the first cluster is worked in the same place, beside it, and the round is joined in the top of that cluster.
- A cluster is closed by drawing the yarn through all four loops; that closing loop is its top, and in Rnd 6 the sc for a cluster goes into it.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured from one flat side to the opposite one: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 4¾ in (12 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 5½ in (14 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 9 in (23 cm).

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **sp** space, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
RS right side, the one that shows.
ch-1 sp: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(6 clusters, 6 ch-1 sps): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

cluster: [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 3 times, all in the same place (4 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 4 loops.

Yarns in order of use: A, saffron; B, rose pink; C, berry; D, leaf green; E, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2 (does not count as a st), **[**cluster in ring, ch 1**] 6 times**, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first cluster to join (6 clusters, 6 ch-1 sps)
	Fasten off A.
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 2 (does not count as a st), (cluster, ch 1, cluster) in same sp, ch 1, **[**(cluster, ch 1, cluster) in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 5 times**, sl st in first cluster to join (12 clusters, 12 ch-1 sps)
	Fasten off B.
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join C with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 2 (does not count as a st), cluster in same sp, ch 2, **[**cluster in next ch-1 sp, ch 2**] 11 times**, sl st in first cluster to join (12 clusters, 12 ch-2 sps)

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Fasten off C.

☐ **Rnd 4**	Join D with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 2 (does not count as a st), (cluster, ch 3, cluster) in same sp, ch 2, cluster in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, **[**(cluster, ch 3, cluster) in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, cluster in next ch-2 sp, ch 2**] 5 times**, sl st in first cluster to join	(18 clusters, 6 ch-3 sps, 12 ch-2 sps)

Fasten off D.

☐ **Rnd 5**	Join E with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 2 (does not count as a st), (cluster, ch 3, cluster) in same sp, ch 1, [cluster in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] twice, **[**(cluster, ch 3, cluster) in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, [cluster in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] twice**] 5 times**, sl st in first cluster to join	(24 clusters, 6 ch-3 sps, 18 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in same st, (2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, **[[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next st, (2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp**] 5 times**, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the granny hexagon to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- To join two hexagons, lay them with right sides together and, with E, slip stitch through both loops of both: 1 slip stitch in the ch-1 space at a corner of both, 1 in each of the 11 sc along the side and 1 in the ch-1 space at the next corner. Fasten off. Each side joined takes about 25 in (63 cm) of E, with its ends.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 6 rounds; 10 ends to weave in.

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