Easter giant granny square baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 36¼ × 36¼ in (92 × 92 cm)

Skill
Beginner
One cluster repeated, rounds that grow by one cluster a side

Yarn
Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
15 stitches and 7½ rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In granny clusters, the ch-1 sps counted as stitches.

You will need

Yarn A: butter, stripes	**about 165 yd (151 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pale pink, stripes	**about 200 yd (183 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: lilac, stripes	**about 300 yd (274 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: mint, stripes	**about 135 yd (123 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: white, stripes	**about 400 yd (366 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. To measure your own: in one spare yarn work a granny square of five rounds and measure it, mark the yarn where it begins and ends, pull it out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the piece and multiply by the area of the blanket. That is the yarn of all the colors together.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**36¼ × 36¼ in (92 × 92 cm)**	**about 1,200 yd (1,097 m)**
Small	27¾ × 27¾ in (70 × 70 cm)	about 705 yd (645 m)
Large	41½ × 41½ in (105 × 105 cm)	about 1,600 yd (1,463 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
RS	right side
rnd	round
sp	space
st	stitch

Gauge

15 stitches and 7½ rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in granny clusters, the ch-1 sps counted as stitches.

15 stitches and 7.5 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) over granny clusters: stitches along a side, each ch 1 counted as one (a cluster and its ch 1 are four); rounds from the center out

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The blanket is its own test piece: after round 5 it should be about 5.3 in (13.5 cm) from side to side.

Before you start

- The whole blanket is one granny square worked from the center out in rounds. Do not turn: the right side faces you all the way.
- The ch 3 at the start of a round counts as a dc.
- The stitch total of the blanket counts the dc alone, not the chain spaces.
- Stitches in parentheses, or several of one stitch, are all worked into the one place named after them.
- A new color is joined in a corner; move the join to another corner with each color so that the joins do not stack.
- To go on in the same color, slip stitch across the first cluster into the corner space, as the round says.
- Fasten off each yarn at the end of its rounds: after the sl st that joins the round, cut it, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and draw it through the loop. Leave a tail of the same length where a yarn begins, at the ring and at every join.
- This size has 34 rounds and 44 ends to weave in.
- Color sequence
- Rounds 1 to 2: A (butter)
- Round 3: E (white)
- Rounds 4 to 5: B (pale pink)
- Round 6: E (white)
- Rounds 7 to 8: C (lilac)
- Round 9: E (white)
- Rounds 10 to 11: D (mint)
- Round 12: E (white)
- Rounds 13 to 14: A (butter)
- Round 15: E (white)
- Rounds 16 to 17: B (pale pink)

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- Round 18: E (white)
- Rounds 19 to 20: C (lilac)
- Round 21: E (white)
- Rounds 22 to 23: D (mint)
- Round 24: E (white)
- Rounds 25 to 26: A (butter)
- Round 27: E (white)
- Rounds 28 to 29: B (pale pink)
- Round 30: E (white)
- Rounds 31 to 33: C (lilac)
- Round 34: E (white)

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and dc is treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, butter; E, white; B, pale pink; C, lilac; D, mint.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 4 and join with sl st in the first ch to form a ring.
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(24 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(36 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 8 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Join B with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 2 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 2 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(48 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 12 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(60 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 16 ch-1 sps)**

Stop and measure now, after round 5. Width, from side to side: about 5¼ in (13 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, start again with a larger one.

☐ **Rnd 6**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 4 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 4 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(72 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 20 ch-1 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 7**	Join C with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 5 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 5 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(84 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 24 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 6 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 6 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(96 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 28 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 7 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 7 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(108 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 32 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	Join D with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 8 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 8 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(120 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 36 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 9 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 9 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(132 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 40 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 10 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 10 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(144 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 44 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Join A with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 11 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 11 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(156 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 48 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 12 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 12 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(168 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 52 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 13 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 13 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(180 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 56 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Join B with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 14 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 14 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(192 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 60 ch-1 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 17**

Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc),
(2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 15 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 15 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(204 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 64 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 18**

Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 16 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 16 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(216 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 68 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 19**

Join C with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 17 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 17 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(228 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 72 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 20**

Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc),
(2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(240 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 76 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 21**

Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 19 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 19 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(252 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 80 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 22**

Join D with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 20 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 20 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(264 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 84 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 23**

Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc),
(2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 21 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 21 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(276 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 88 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 24**

Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 22 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 22 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(288 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 92 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 25**

Join A with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(300 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 96 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 26**

Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc),
(2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 24 times**,
[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 24 times] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(312 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 100 ch-1 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 27**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 25 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 25 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(324 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 104 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	Join B with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 26 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 26 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(336 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 108 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 27 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 27 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(348 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 112 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 28 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 28 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(360 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 116 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	Join C with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 29 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 29 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(372 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 120 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 32**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 30 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 30 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(384 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 124 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 33**	Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 31 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 31 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(396 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 128 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 34**	Join E with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 32 times**, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 32 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(408 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 132 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends: each end into stitches of its own color, on the wrong side, turning back once.
- Lay the blanket flat and pull the corners square while it is slightly damp; let it dry flat.
- To make it smaller or larger, stop after any round, or go on: every round adds one cluster to each side.

In all: 34 rounds; 7,140 stitches; 44 ends to weave in.

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