Granny square Christmas stocking

US terms



Finished size
About 9 × 15 in (23 × 38 cm)
About 9 in (23 cm) wide, heel to toe, and 15 in (38 cm) tall (23 by 38 cm), without the hanging loop

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rows and rounds, with 15 pieces, color changes and 2 special stitches.

Yarn
Light (3), 4 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: cream, round 3 of the squares	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: holiday red, round 2 of the squares, rows 1 to 5 and 14 to 18 of the foots and rows 1 to 4 of the cuff	**about 100 yd (91 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: holly green, rows 8 to 11 of the foots	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: gold, round 1 of the squares, rows 6, 7, 12 and 13 of the foots and row 5 of the cuff	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 110 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), 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

18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

In half double crochet: 18 stitches and 13½ rows to 4 in (10 cm).

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 2 the square measures about 2 in (5 cm) across.

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Notes

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- 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.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round or a row 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.
- 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 stocking has a front and a back, each of a leg of 6 squares and a foot; the squares of each leg have numbers from 1 to 6.
- The two feet are alike. Lay a foot with the face toward you that faced you in row 1, and row 1 at the bottom: the toe points right. The straight edge on the left is the back edge, the foundation chain is the sole, and row 18, at the top, is sewn to the leg. The foot of the front is used with that face up, the foot of the back with that face down, so that its toe points left.
- Rows 1, 3 and 5 of the cuff are worked with the right side facing; row 5 is the shell edge, and each 5 hdc in one stitch is a shell: 14 shells, 7 of them on the front.
- 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 the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 13 in (33 cm); medium yarn (4) and a 5 mm hook, about 19½ in (50 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 24¾ in (63 cm).

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **rem** remaining, **sp** space, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.

sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.

3 hdc in next st: all in one stitch. **hdc in next 26 sts**: one in each. **ch-2 sp**: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 3 times: work what is inside 3 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.

(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

hdc2tog (UK htr2tog): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (5 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 5 loops.

hdc3tog (UK htr3tog): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] 3 times (7 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 7 loops.

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Square: make 12

Yarns in order of use: D, gold; B, holiday red; A, cream.

Make 4 with D for round 1 and B for round 2; 4 with B for round 1 and C for round 2; and 4 with C for round 1 and D for round 2. Round 3 is always A. The lines give the colors of the first 4.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)
	Fasten off D.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in any 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)
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join A with sl st in any 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)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Foot: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, holiday red; D, gold; C, holly green.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 29.	
☐ **Row 1**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next 27 chs	(28 hdc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 26 sts, 3 hdc in next st	(32 hdc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 30 sts, 3 hdc in next st	(36 hdc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 34 sts, 2 hdc in next st	(38 hdc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	(38 hdc)
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Row 6**	Turn, join D with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in each st across	(38 hdc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, hdc2tog in next 2 sts, hdc in next 36 sts	(1 hdc2tog, 36 hdc)
	Fasten off D.	
☐ **Row 8**	Turn, join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in same st, hdc in next 34 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	(35 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, hdc3tog in next 3 sts, hdc in next 33 sts	(1 hdc3tog, 33 hdc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 32 sts, leave the remaining 2 sts unworked	(32 hdc)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, hdc3tog in next 3 sts, hdc in next 29 sts	(1 hdc3tog, 29 hdc)

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Fasten off C.

☐ **Row 12**	Turn, join D with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in same st, hdc in next 27 sts, leave the remaining 2 sts unworked	(28 hdc)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, hdc2tog in next 2 sts, hdc in next 26 sts	(1 hdc2tog, 26 hdc)

Fasten off D.

☐ **Row 14**	Turn, join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in same st, hdc in next 24 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	(25 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	(26 hdc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 24 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	(24 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rows 17 to 18** 17 18	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	(25 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Cuff

Yarns in order of use: B, holiday red; D, gold.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 58.	
☐ **Row 1**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across	(57 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 4** 2 3 4	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	(57 hdc)

Fasten off B.

☐ **Row 5**	Turn, join D with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in same st, **[**sk next st, 5 hdc in next st, sk next st, sc in next st**] 14 times**	(15 sc, 70 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

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Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Weave in the ends of the squares before you join them.
- Colors by number, the same for the front and the back: squares 1 and 6 have D and B; squares 2 and 3 have B and C; squares 4 and 5 have C and D.
- Front: lay 6 squares right side up in 3 lines of 2, from the top down and each line from left to right: 1 and 2; 3 and 4; 5 and 6. Lay a foot below squares 5 and 6, the face of row 1 up and the toe on the right. Row 18 of the foot, 25 stitches, lies along the lower edge of the two squares.
- Back: lay 6 squares right side up in 3 lines of 2, from the top down and each line from left to right: 2 and 1; 4 and 3; 6 and 5. This is the front in mirror image: squares 1, 3 and 5 are now on the right, at the back edge. When the back is turned over and laid behind the front, every square lies behind the square of the same number. Lay the other foot below squares 6 and 5, the face of row 1 down and the toe on the left.
- Seams: hold two squares that lie side by side with right sides together. With A, join with a slip stitch in the corner space of both, then work 1 slip stitch through both in every dc and every ch-1 space along the edge (11 slip stitches) and 1 slip stitch in the next corner space of both. Fasten off. Join the 2 squares of each line first, then join the lines in the same way, working 1 slip stitch in each of the two corner spaces where four squares meet. Then hold the foot and the leg with their upper faces together and, with A, work 25 slip stitches, each through one of the 25 stitches of row 18 and through the lower edge of squares 5 and 6: 1 in the outer corner space, 11 along the first square, 1 in the two corner spaces in the middle, taken together, 11 along the second square and 1 in its outer corner space. Make the front and the back in this way.
- Joining: hold the front and the back together, wrong sides of the squares together, edge to edge, the front toward you, the toe on the right. With B, join with a slip stitch through both at the top left corner, in the corner spaces of square 1 and of the square behind it, and ch 1. Work sc through both layers, as follows. Back edge of the leg: along each of the 3 squares 1 sc in the corner space, 1 sc in every dc and every ch-1 space (11 sc) and 1 sc in the next corner space. Back edge of the foot: over the ends of rows 18 to 4 [1 sc in each of next 2 ends, 2 sc in next end] 5 times, then 2 sc in each of the ends of rows 3, 2 and 1, where the heel is round. Sole: 1 sc in each of the 28 chains. Toe: 2 sc in each of the ends of rows 1 to 4. Instep: over the ends of rows 5 to 18 [2 sc in next end, 1 sc in next end] 7 times, and between them 1 sc in each stitch that was left unworked: the 2 stitches that row 10 left, between the ends of rows 9 and 10, and the 2 stitches that row 12 left, between the ends of rows 11 and 12. Front edge of the leg: 3 squares, as on the back edge. Keep the seam flat. Leave the top open. Fasten off.
- Cuff: with B, sew the two short ends together to make a ring, the right side outside. Slip the ring over the top of the stocking, its seam at the back edge, the foundation edge above and the shells hanging down, until the line where the shells begin, at the end of row 4, lies 1/8 in (0.3 cm) below the top edge of the squares; the rest of the cuff stands up above the squares. Pin it all round. Lift the shells and, with B, sew the cuff to the front and to the back of the stocking along that line, easing the cuff in; do not sew the front and the back together. The shells hang free.
- Hanging loop: join B with a slip stitch in the upper edge of the cuff at its seam, ch 20, work a slip stitch in the same place and fasten off.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 15 pieces.

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