Letter granny square

US terms



Finished size
About 7¼ in (18 cm) across

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with color changes.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 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: cream, rounds 1 to 4 and 7	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sage green, round 5	**about 9 yd (8 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: clay, round 6	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 25 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.

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 4 the square measures about 4½ in (11 cm) across.

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.
- 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 does not count as a stitch.

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- 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.
- A slip stitch at the start of a round only carries the yarn to the place named; the first stitch of the round is worked in that same place. If stitches lie between the joining and that place, slip stitch across them first.
- 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 grid of a letter has five columns, a to e from left to right, and seven lines, 1 to 7 from the foot to the top. Every place is named by its column and its line: a1 is the lower left corner, e7 the upper right one and c4 the middle of the square. Columns and lines are ½ in (1.3 cm) apart, so that a letter is 2 in (5.1 cm) wide and 3 in (7.6 cm) tall and lies inside the four solid rounds.
- In the lines of the letters, the word to stands for a straight line, and the word round for one smooth curve: it begins at the place named before that word and goes through the places named after it, in that order, and it runs smoothly out of or into a straight line that meets it there.
- The yarn amounts are for one square.
- 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 straight across: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 5 in (13 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 5¾ in (15 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 9¼ in (23 cm).

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **sp** space, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
3 dc in next st: all in one stitch. **dc in next 3 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**.

Yarns in order of use: A, cream; B, sage green; C, clay.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, 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)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (28 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 7 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 7 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (44 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 11 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 11 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (60 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

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Fasten off A.

☐ **Rnd 5**	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, sk next 3 sts, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, 3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (60 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 16 ch-1 sps)

Fasten off B.

☐ **Rnd 6**	Join C 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 in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 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 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join (72 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 20 ch-1 sps)

Fasten off C.

☐ **Rnd 7**	Join A with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 1, 3 sc in same sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, **[**3 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in first sc to join (104 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Block: pin the square to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- Lay the square down, right side up, with one side at the top. Set a pin at each place of the grid that the letter asks for, measuring from the middle of the square, which is the place c4.
- The letter (sewn chain stitch): thread the yarn needle with a length of C, used double. Bring it up from the back at the first place, put it down again in the same place and bring it up 3/8 in (1 cm) farther along the line, with the loop of yarn under its point; draw the yarn through until the loop lies flat. Work every next stitch in the same way, putting the needle down inside the loop just made. At a sharp corner and at the end of a line, fasten the last loop with one small stitch over its end, and begin the next line with a new loop. Where two lines meet, the later one ends against the earlier one or lies over it. The square in the colors above carries a B.
- The letter A: a1 to c7 to e1; b4 to d4.
- The letter B: a1 to a7 to d7, round e6, e5 and d4, to a4; d4, round e3, e2 and d1, to a1.
- The letter C: e6, round d7, b7, a6, a2, b1, d1 and e2.
- The letter D: a1 to a7 to c7, round e5, e3 and c1, to a1.
- The letter E: e7 to a7 to a1 to e1; a4 to d4.
- The letter F: e7 to a7 to a1; a4 to d4.
- The letter G: e6, round d7, b7, a6, a2, b1, d1 and e2, to e4 to c4.
- The letter H: a7 to a1; e7 to e1; a4 to e4.
- The letter I: b7 to d7; c7 to c1; b1 to d1.

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- The letter J: e7 to e3, round e2, d1, b1 and a2.
- The letter K: a7 to a1; e7 to a3; b4 to e1.
- The letter L: a7 to a1 to e1.
- The letter M: a1 to a7 to c4 to e7 to e1.
- The letter N: a1 to a7 to e1 to e7.
- The letter O: c7, round b7, a6, a2, b1, d1, e2, e6, d7 and c7.
- The letter P: a1 to a7 to d7, round e6, e5 and d4, to a4.
- The letter Q: c7, round b7, a6, a2, b1, d1, e2, e6, d7 and c7; c3 to e1.
- The letter R: a1 to a7 to d7, round e6, e5 and d4, to a4; c4 to e1.
- The letter S: e6, round d7, b7, a6, a5, b4, d4, e3, e2, d1, b1 and a2.
- The letter T: a7 to e7; c7 to c1.
- The letter U: a7 to a3, round a2, b1, d1, e2 and e3, to e7.
- The letter V: a7 to c1 to e7.
- The letter W: a7 to b1 to c5 to d1 to e7.
- The letter X: a7 to e1; e7 to a1.
- The letter Y: a7 to c4 to e7; c4 to c1.
- The letter Z: a7 to e7 to a1 to e1.
- For a name banner or a blanket, work a square for every letter. Lay two squares side by side, right sides up and letters upright, and sew them together with a 24 in (61 cm) length of A, stitch to stitch from the middle sc of one corner to the middle sc of the next (27 stitches): take the needle each time through the outer loop only of a stitch of one square and of the stitch opposite, the loop farther from the middle of its square. Each seam takes about 1 yd (0.9 m) of A beyond the amounts above.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 7 rounds; 380 stitches.

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