Sunflower granny square

US terms



Finished size
About 6½ × 6½ in (17 × 17 cm)

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with stitches worked into chain spaces

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet worked in rounds.

You will need

Yarn A: brown, round 1	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: gold, round 2	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: yellow, round 3	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: green, rounds 4 and 5	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and pins for blocking.

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.

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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
sp	space
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Special stitches

puff (Puff stitch): [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, yarn over and pull up a loop] 3 times (7 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 7 loops. It leaves 1 puff for the next row.

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cluster (Cluster): [yarn over, insert the hook in the place named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 4 times (5 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 5 loops. It leaves 1 cluster for the next row.

Gauge

13 stitches and 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet worked in rounds.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 3 the square measures about 3 in (8 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

Before you start

- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- You may begin with a magic ring or with 4 chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch.
- The chain 2 at the start of round 2 does not count as a stitch.
- The chain 3 at the start of round 3 does not count as a stitch.
- Round 4 makes the four corners: each is (3 tr, ch 2, 3 tr) worked in one place.
- In round 5 each corner is (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) worked in one corner space.
- A new color is joined at the start of a round and never inside one; this pattern has 3 changes of color in each square.
- Each square leaves 8 ends to weave in.
- If a square will not lie square, block it: pin it to its size on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.

Instructions

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, hdc is half treble, dc is treble and tr is double treble.

☐ **Foundation** — Ch 4, sl st in first ch to form a ring.

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)** — With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), 15 dc in ring, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(16 dc)**

Fasten off A, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

☐ **Rnd 2** — Join B with sl st in first st, ch 2, (puff, ch 1) in first st,
[(puff, ch 1) in next st**] 15 times**, sl st in first puff to join **(16 puffs, 16 ch-1 sps)**

Fasten off B, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

☐ **Rnd 3** — Join C with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 3, (cluster, ch 2) in same sp,
[(cluster, ch 2) in next ch-1 sp**] 15 times**, sl st in first cluster to join **(16 clusters, 16 ch-2 sps)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 3.** After round 3 the square measures about 3 in (8 cm) across.

Fasten off C, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

☐ **Rnd 4** — Join D with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp,
3 hdc in next ch-2 sp, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, (3 tr, ch 2, 3 tr) in next ch-2 sp,
> **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp, 3 hdc in next ch-2 sp, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp,
> (3 tr, ch 2, 3 tr) in next ch-2 sp**] 3 times**,
sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(24 dc, 12 hdc, 24 tr, 4 ch-2 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 5**	**Go on with yarn D: do not fasten off.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 11 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next 15 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 3 times**, dc in next 3 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(76 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Weave in all 8 ends with the yarn needle.
- Block the finished sunflower granny square: pin it to its size on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.

In all: 5 rounds; 3 color changes; 8 ends to weave in.

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