Granny Squares

Everyone that knows how to crochet has at some time made something out of Granny Squares!

These squares are easy to crochet and very versatile. You can make a blanket or a knee rug in one piece or by joining squares together.



Deb's Granny Square Blanket © Deborah Mason & Knitting Naturally

Small squares can be used to piece together a scarf, a cover for a pillow or cushion, a basic jumper for a baby or to make a bib. But best of all you can make multi-coloured squares from your leftover yarn.

Not all granny square blankets are make from left overs though, I purchased the wool (and it is wool) for the blanket in the image above because I wanted it to match the colour scheme in my spare bedroom. It sits across the end of the double bed and apart from looking great; it offers any guests a little bit of extra warmth on cold winter nights.

Instructions for a Basic Granny Square

Using your first colour, make 6 chain, and do a slip stitch into the first chain to form a ring.

1st round:

Make three chain, make two treble into the ring.

*Three chain, three treble in the ring, repeat from * twice more, make three chain and slip stitch into third chain at the beginning. Fasten off your yarn.

2nd round:

Change to your second colour and draw a loop through any three chain space.

Make three chain, two trebles, do three chain and three treble in the same three chain space.

*Make one chain, do three treble, three chain and three treble in the next three chain space.

Repeat from * to the end, do 1 chain and a slip stitch into the third chain at the beginning. Fasten off your yarn.

3rd round:

Change to your third colour and draw a loop through any corner chain space.

Make three chain, two trebles, do three chain and three treble in the same three chain space.

*Make one chain, do three treble in next 1 chain space, make one chain, do three treble, three chain and three treble in the next three chain corner space.

Repeat from * twice. Do one chain, make three treble in next one chain space, do one chain and slip stitch into the third chain at the beginning. Fasten off.

4th round:

Change to your fourth colour and draw a loop through any corner chain space.

Make three chain, two trebles, do three chain and three treble in the same three chain space.

*Make one chain, (do three treble in next 1 chain space, make one chain) twice, do three treble, three chain and three treble in the next three chain corner space.

Repeat from * twice. Do one chain, make three treble in next one chain space, do one chain and slip stitch into the third chain at the beginning. Fasten off.

5th round:

Change to your main colour and draw a loop through any corner chain space.

Make three chain, two trebles, do three chain and three treble in the same three chain space.

*Make one chain, (do three treble in next 1 chain space, make one chain) three times, do three treble, three chain and three treble in the next three chain corner space.

Repeat from * twice. Do one chain, make three treble in next one chain space, do one chain and slip stitch into the third chain at the beginning. Fasten off.