Flower Pop square Pattern

Pattern Description:

The Flower Pop granny square is a charming, vibrant motif that's both quick and easy to crochet.

Featuring a lovely floral design with delicate shells and chain spaces, it's perfect for adding a splash of color and texture to blankets, bags, or shawls. Ideal for advanced beginners, this square measures about 9.5 cm after blocking.

Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Yarn:** For this pattern, any yarn suitable for crochet can be used, but the original example uses Infinity Hearts Rose 100% cotton yarn. Four colors are recommended for a bright, cheerful look: pink (color 33), sea green (130), mustard (190), and light purple (66).
- **Yarn Weight:** The pattern is worked with lightweight yarn to keep the square delicate and defined.

- **Hook Size:** A 2.5 mm crochet hook is used for the original squares. The hook size can be adjusted depending on your yarn choice, which will also influence the finished size of the square.
- **Notions:**
  - Tapestry needle for weaving in ends
  - Scissors for cutting yarn
- **Measurements:** After blocking, each finished Flower Pop granny square measures approximately 9.5 cm by 9.5 cm (about 3.75 inches square).
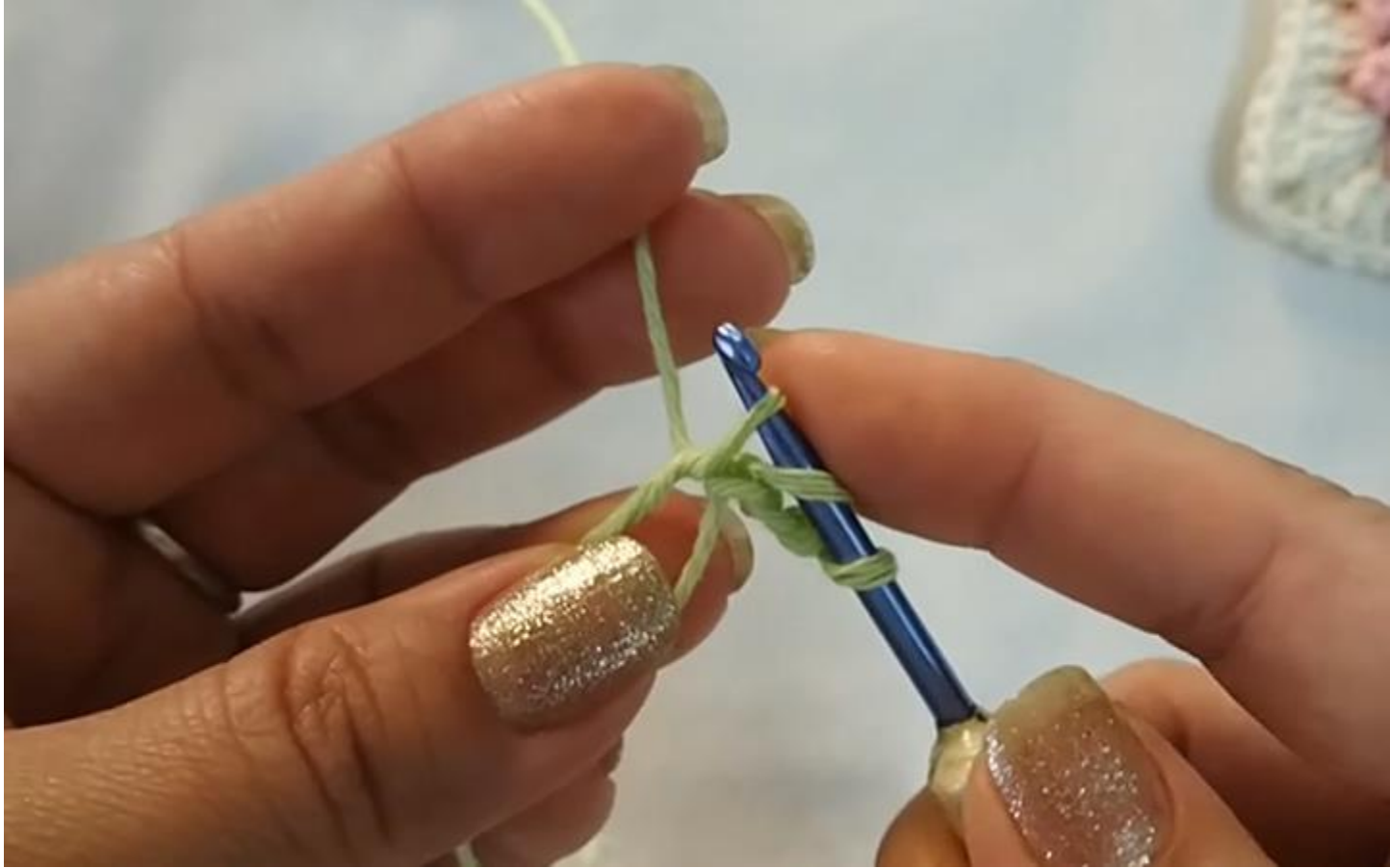
Stitches & Abbreviations Used (US terms):

- **ch** - chain
- **ch sp** - chain space
- **sc** - single crochet
- **dc** - double crochet
- **sl st** - slip stitch
- **5dc shell** - five double crochets worked in the same stitch
- **MR** - magic ring

Pattern Notes:

- The pattern is worked in rounds, beginning in a magic ring.
- Except for round 5, beginning stitches for each round are double crochet (dc) represented by ch 3, or single crochet (sc) represented by ch 1 + sc.
- Each round closes with a slip stitch into the first stitch of the round.
- The square may look wavy before blocking but will lie flat afterward.
- Corners are worked with stitch groupings noted in the instructions.
- The total stitch count after each round is provided in curly brackets {} for reference.

Instructions for Making the Flower Pop Square Pattern:

Round 1 (R1):

- Create a magic ring (MR).
- Into the ring, work 3 double crochets (dc), chain 3 (ch 3), repeat this 4 times total.
- This forms 4 shells separated by chain-3 spaces. Close with a slip stitch (sl st) to the first dc.
- **Stitch count:** 12 dc, 4 chain-3 spaces.

Round 2 (R2):

- Chain 1 (does not count as a stitch).
- In the next 3 dc, work 1 single crochet (sc) each.
- In each chain-3 space from R1, work a corner: (2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc).
- Repeat around 4 times.
- Close with sl st to the first sc.
- **Stitch count:** 28 sc, 4 chain-2 spaces.

Round 3 (R3):

- Slip stitch into the next sc (on top of the second dc from round 1).
- In the same sc, work a 5-dc shell (5 dc in the same stitch), skip 2 sc, sc in the next sc, in the ch-2 space work (sc, ch 2, sc), sc in next sc, skip 2 sc.
- Repeat from to four times, then join.
- **Stitch count:** 4 shells of 5 dc each, 16 sc, 4 chain-2 spaces.

Round 4 (R4):

- Slip stitch into the 3rd dc of the 5-dc shell.
- Work dc in the same stitch, ch 3, skip 2 dc and 1 sc, dc in next sc, then in the ch-2 space work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next sc, ch 3, skip 1 sc and 2 dc.
- Repeat 4 times around and join.
- **Stitch count:** 28 dc, 8 chain-3 spaces, 4 chain-2 spaces.

Round 5 (R5):

- Single crochet in the chain-3 space, chain 5, skip 2 dc, single crochet in next dc, in ch-2 space work (sc, ch 2, sc), single crochet in next dc, chain 5, skip 2 dc, single crochet in next chain-3 space, chain 1, skip 1 dc. Repeat from to four times.
- Note: The first sc here is made without chaining 1 to start, and at the last repeat, skip chaining 1 before joining the round.
- **Stitch count:** 24 sc, 8 chain-5 spaces, 4 chain-1 spaces, 4 chain-2 spaces.

Round 6 (R6):

- In the same space as join, work dc in chain-1 space, ch 3, skip sc, 3 dc in chain-5 space, dc in next 2 sc, in ch-2 space work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next 2 sc, 3 dc in chain-5 space, ch 3, skip sc.
- Repeat 4 times and join.
- **Stitch count:** 60 dc, 8 chain-3 spaces, 4 chain-2 spaces.

Round 7 (R7):

- Work dc in dc, 2 dc in chain-3 space, dc in next 7 dc, in ch-2 space work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next 7 dc, 2 dc in chain-3 space.
- Repeat 4 times and join.
- **Stitch count:** 92 dc, 4 chain-2 spaces.

Finishing:

Fasten off the yarn, weave in all loose ends with a tapestry needle, and block your square to achieve a neat, flat finish.