

Two-color Solid Granny Square



Pattern Description:

Skill Level: Easy

This cozy and colorful Two-Color Solid Granny Square is a perfect building block for blankets, cushions, bags, and other creative projects.

Designed with a seamless, bold color-blocked effect using the tapestry crochet method, it's ideal for those who want to add a clean, modern twist to traditional granny squares.

Materials:

- **Yarn:** DK weight yarn
 - **Color A:** Paintbox Yarns Simply DK or Stylecraft Special DK (e.g., white or cream)
 - **Color B:** A contrasting shade for a bold split (e.g., red, navy, mustard)
- **Hook:** 3.5 mm crochet hook (go down a size from the yarn recommendation to tighten tension and prevent color bleed)

- **Tapestry Needle** (for weaving in ends)
- **Scissors**

Abbreviations (US Terms):

- **ch** - chain
- **sc** - single crochet
- **dc** - double crochet
- **sl st** - slip stitch
- **sp** - space
- **st/sts** - stitch/stitches
- **rep** - repeat

Special Notes:

- **Tapestry Crochet:** Carry both yarns throughout the square, crocheting over the unused color. This creates a neat reverse side and avoids multiple ends to weave in.
- **Color Changes:** Change colors in the last yarn-over of the previous stitch. For example, if the next stitch is in Color B, work the last yarn-over of the current stitch in Color B.
- **Stitch Placement:** Corners are worked into corner spaces. All other stitches are placed in the top of the previous round's stitches.
- **Turning:** Do not turn your work at the end of rounds; work with the right side facing throughout.
- **Size:** Each finished square measures approximately 4 inches (10 cm) after 5 rounds.

Instructions for Making the Two-color Solid Granny Square Pattern:

Start with Color A.

Round 1:



Make a magic ring (or ch 4 and join with sl st to form a ring). Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, 3 dc in ring, ch 2; repeat from to 2 more times (4 dc clusters total). Join with sl st to top of beginning ch-3. **(12 dc, 4 ch-2 corner spaces)**

Round 2:



Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 2 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in ch-2 corner sp, dc in next 3 sts; repeat from to 2 more times, then (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in final corner sp. Join with sl st to top of beginning ch-3. **(28 dc, 4 ch-2 corner spaces)**

Round 3:



Continue with Color A. You will change to Color B halfway through the round. Carry both yarns using tapestry crochet method.

Ch 3, dc in next 6 sts. At the last yarn-over of the 7th dc, switch to Color B. With Color B, work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner sp, dc in next 7 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner, dc in next 7 sts; repeat around. Change to Color A at the halfway point if desired to create a split effect. Join with sl st. (44 dc, 4 ch-2 corner spaces)

Round 4:



Ch 3, dc in each st around, working (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each ch-2 corner space. Continue color changes as established, half the square in Color A, half in Color B. Carry unused yarn inside stitches. Join with sl st. **(60 dc, 4 ch-2 corner spaces)**

Round 5:



Ch 3, dc in each st around, with (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each corner space. Maintain the half-and-half color effect. Join with sl st. **(76 dc, 4 ch-2 corner spaces)**

Finishing:



Fasten off both yarns and weave in ends securely using a tapestry needle. Gently block the square if needed to shape it perfectly.

Optional: Joining Multiple Squares

These squares look striking when assembled in alternating directions or checkerboard patterns.

Use a whip stitch, slip stitch join, or invisible join technique for neat seams. For added texture, consider joining with the raised single crochet seam technique.

Tips for Success:

- Keep tension even to prevent warping where color changes occur.
- Practice a few tapestry stitches before starting the square if you're new to the technique.
- Use contrasting yarn colors for maximum visual impact.
- Want a larger square? Keep adding rounds, maintaining the pattern structure.