

# Free Scrappy Granny Square Quilt Pattern



## Pattern Description:

This scrappy granny square quilt combines vibrant fabrics in a classic patchwork design, perfect for using a jelly roll.

Each block features a colorful center with contrasting outer squares, framed by crisp white sashing and borders.

Easy to assemble yet visually striking, this quilt finishes at approximately 60" x 70", offering a cozy, playful throw that brightens any space.

## Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Yarn:** (Not applicable; this is a quilting project using fabric.)
- **Yarn Weight:** (Not applicable.)
- **Hook:** (Not applicable; this is a sewing project.)
- **Notions:**
  - **Quilting ruler**
  - **Starch**
  - **Walking foot**
  - **Color catchers**
  - **Batting**
- **Measurements:**

- **Quilt Dimensions:** Approximately **60" x 70"**.
- **Number of Blocks:** 30.
- **Each Block Contains:**
  - **12 - 2.5" white squares** (or 2.5" x 2.75" for easier trimming).
  - **13 assorted 2.5" squares** (1 center, 4 middle color, 8 outer color).
- **Trimmed Block Size:** 8-3/4in - 8-7/8in square.
- **Sashing:** **2.5" wide white sashing** between quilt blocks and between rows.
- **Borders:** **4.5" wide white borders** added to the top, bottom, and each side of the quilt.
- **Fabric Requirements:**
  - A **partial jelly roll** (Bonnie and Camille by Moda).
  - **3.5 yards background (white) fabric** (Robert Kaufman Kona in White), which includes 36 - 2.5in x WOF strips and 6 - 4.5in x WOF strips.

## Stitches & Abbreviations Used:

### Stitches:

**Zig zag stitch** (used for machine quilting with a walking foot).

### Abbreviations:

- **1/4"**: One-quarter inch.
- **3/8"**: Three-eighths inch.
- **2.5" / 2.5in**: Two and a half inches.
- **2.75"**: Two and three-quarters inches.
- **4.5" / 4.5in**: Four and a half inches.
- **60"**: Sixty inches.
- **70"**: Seventy inches.
- **8-3/4in**: Eight and three-quarters inches.
- **8-7/8in**: Eight and seven-eighths inches.
- **WOF**: Width Of Fabric.

## Instructions for Making the Scrappy Granny Square Quilt Pattern:

Follow these steps to build each individual scrappy granny square block:

### Step 1: Layout the Squares



**Lay out each block as shown in the tutorial images.** It is recommended to **use a different color for each round of squares** to achieve the "granny square" effect. Ensure the 1 center square, 4 middle color squares, and 8 outer color squares, along with the 12 white squares, are arranged correctly.

## **Step 2: Sew the Rows**



Once your squares are laid out for one block, **sew together the squares within each row**. Use a **1/4" seam allowance** for all seams. After sewing, **press the seams open or press each row in the opposite direction** from the adjacent row to allow for nesting seams later.

### Step 3: Assemble the Block

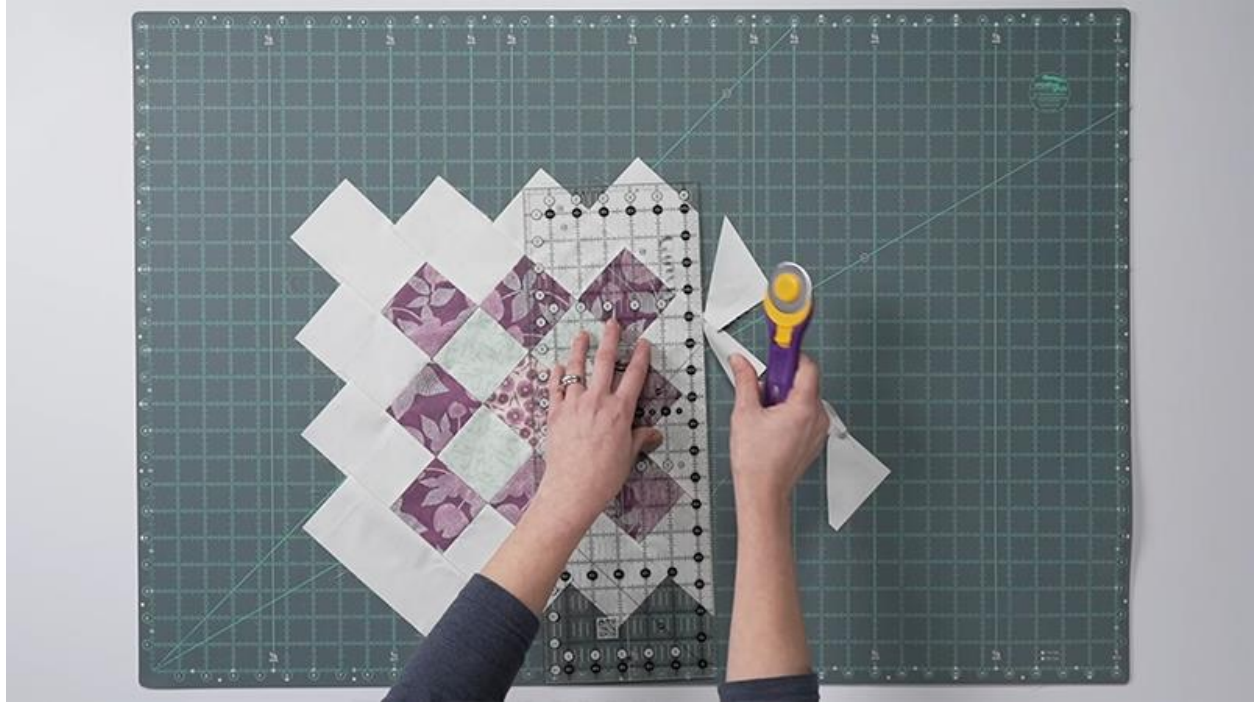


After the individual rows are sewn and pressed, it's time to sew the rows together to form the complete block. **Line up your seams carefully** to ensure points meet. **Sew the rows together**.

The tutorial notes that the **top 2.5in square is centered and sewn as shown**. Once the rows are sewn, **press the seams open or press them away from the center** of the block. Your granny square block should now resemble the completed block shown in the tutorial.

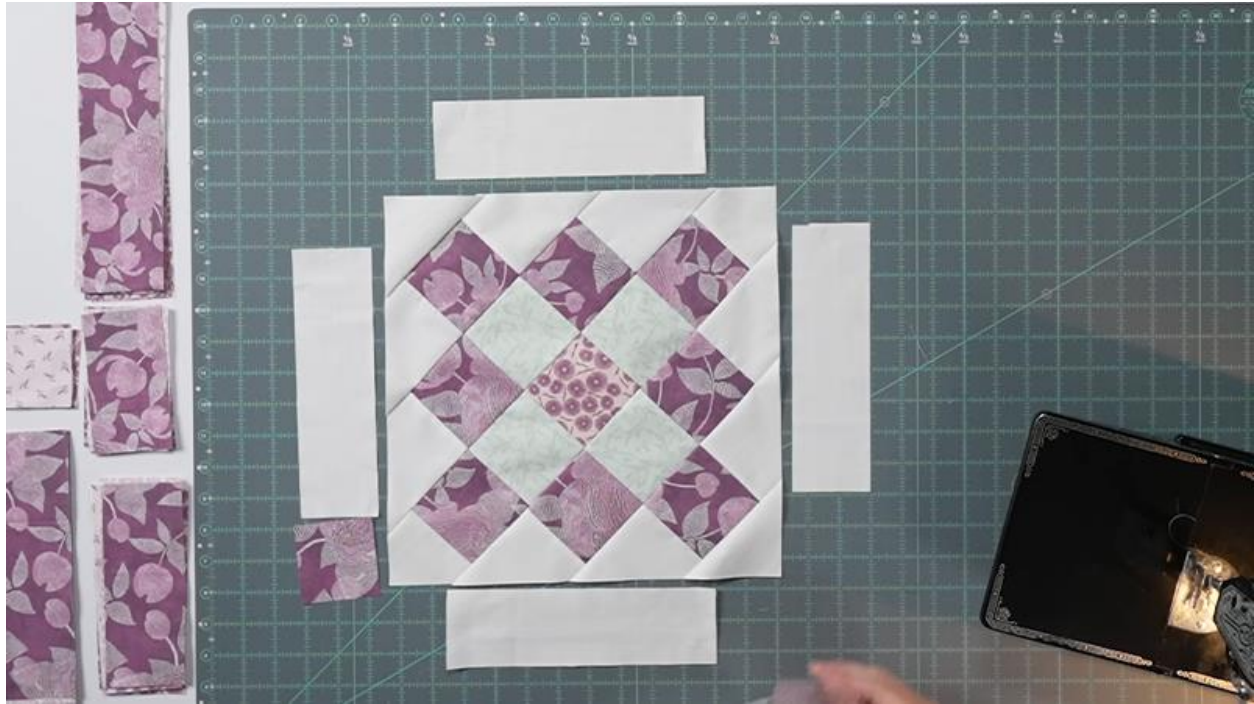
### Step 4: Trim the Blocks





Precision in trimming is key for a well-assembled quilt top. Using a quilting ruler, **trim each block square**, ensuring you leave **1/4" - 3/8"** from each point. The goal is to **trim each block to an 8-3/4in - 8-7/8in square**. It is advisable to **measure a few of your completed blocks before trimming** to determine their consistent size, then proceed to trim every block to that exact same size.

### **Step 5: Layout and Sashing**



- **Layout your granny square blocks as desired.** This is where you can arrange your unique blocks to create a pleasing overall design.
- As you sew your blocks into rows, **add 2.5" white sashing between quilt blocks.**
- Once all your rows of blocks and sashing are sewn, **sew the quilt top together in rows,** adding **2.5in wide sashing between each row.** This creates a grid-like appearance for your quilt.

## Adding Borders

After the main body of the quilt top with sashing is complete:

- **Add 4.5" white borders to the top and bottom** of the quilt.
- Then, **add 4.5in white borders to each side** of the quilt. This frames your quilt and brings it to its final approximate dimensions of 60" x 70".

## Finishing the Quilt

- **Pressing and Starching:** Be sure to **press and starch each scrappy granny square block.** This is particularly helpful because **there are a lot of seams in these blocks,** and starching assists in keeping them flat and stable.
- **Quilting:** The quilt was **machine quilted with a tried and true zig zag stitch.** This zig zag stitch is done using a **walking foot.**
- **Washing:** When washing the quilt, especially with a **bright red backing,** it's recommended to **throw in a few color catchers.** The tutorial notes "nothing better than a freshly crinkled quilt out of the dryer!".

