

Crochet the Rainbow Granny Square Throw

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Crochet the Rainbow Granny Square Throw is a crochet blanket that is essentially one large granny square, so you can work it as large or as small as you want by choosing how many rounds to crochet when working this up. This crochet blanket is beginner-friendly, so this is perfect practice if you're just learning how to crochet.

Once you've mastered the crochet stitch pattern of this rainbowlicious design, simply keep repeating it, around and around the blanket. Keep the bright and vivid color scheme as in the photo, or you can switch things up with your own favorite color or colors. Though we love the look of this rainbow granny, it would be beautiful in ombre blues, reds, or greens, too!



Crochet Gauge: Gauge in DC: 13 stitches and 7 rows = 4" (10cm)

Finished Size: 40 inches x 40 inches

Materials Needed:

Crochet Hook: I/9 or 5.5 mm hook

Yarn Weight: (4) Medium Weight/Worsted Weight and Aran (16-20 stitches to 4 inches)

Yarn needle for weaving in ends

Worsted weight yarn such as Red Heart With Love or Red Heart Super Saver in the following colors:

- Color A = Pink - 64 yards
- Color B = Orange - 97 yards
- Color C = Yellow - 141 yards
- Color D = Green - 185 yards
- Color E = Blue - 229 yards
- Color F = Purple - 304 yards
- Color G = White - 77 yards

Abbreviations Used:

Alternate DC Turning Chain (alt-ch): Turn your work. Do not work any chains. Make a SC in the first stitch of the row, insert your hook into the front left vertical bar of the SC and yarn over, pull up a loop (2 loops on hook), yarn over and pull through both loops.

Notes:

- The alt-ch counts as the first stitch of the round.
- You will turn your work after every round.
- The first round of stitches is all worked into the 2nd chain from the hook. You can start with a Magic Ring if that is your preferred method.

Granny Square Crochet Blanket Pattern:

With Color A - Pink

Round 1: Ch 2, in 2nd ch from hook, [make an alt-ch, make 2 dc, ch 2, *3 dc, ch 2*, repeat from * 2 more times], sl st to join in top of alt-ch and turn (12 dc, 4 ch-2 spaces)

Round 2: In the first ch-2 space make [alt-ch, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc], *in next ch-2 space make [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc]*, repeat from * 2 times, sl st to join in top of alt-ch and turn (24 dc, 4 ch-2 spaces)
When the instructions say "in first/next space", it means the open space between the sets of 3 dc stitches.

Round 3: In first space make [alt-ch, 2 dc], in corner ch-2 space make [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc], *in next space make 3 dc, in corner ch-2 space make [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc], *, repeat from * 2 more times, sl st to join in top of alt-ch and turn (36 dc, 4 ch-2 spaces)

Round 4: In first space make [alt-ch, 2 dc], *in corner ch-2 space make [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc], make 3 dc in each space to next corner*, repeat from * back to start, sl st to join in top of alt-ch and turn (48 dc, 4 ch-2 spaces)

Shell Stitch Border:

1. *Locate the middle SC stitch in the corner ch-2 space, count 3 stitches to the left and join with a sl st in that third stitch. *(Skip 2 stitches, in next stitch make 6 dc, skip 2 stitches, sl st in next stitch*, repeat from * to next corner, in corner stitch make 7 dc), repeat between () back to start, sl st to join in starting stitch and fasten off. Weave in all ends.*



Round 5: In first space make [alt-ch, 2 dc], make 3 dc in each space to corner, *in corner ch-2 space make [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc], make 3 dc in each space to next corner*, repeat from * back to start, sl st to join in top of alt-ch and turn (60 dc, 4 ch-2 spaces)

Round 6 – 8: Repeat Round 5

With Color B - Orange

Round 9-13: Repeat Round 5

With Color C - Yellow

Round 14 - 18: Repeat Round 5

With Color D - Green

Round 19 - 23: Repeat Round 4

With Color E - Blue

Round 24 - 28: Repeat Round 5

With Color F - Purple

Round 29 - 33: Repeat Round 5

Round 34: Ch 1, sc in each stitch corner, make 3 sc in corner ch-2 space, sc in each stitch to next corner, repeat from * back to start, sl st to join in first sc and fasten off