# Learn How To Crochet And Join Granny Square Motifs: A Comprehensive Guide For Beginners

Crocheting is a versatile and rewarding craft that anyone can learn. One of the most popular crochet projects is the granny square, a simple yet versatile motif that can be used to create a wide variety of items, from blankets and throws to bags and garments. In this article, we'll teach you everything you need to know to crochet a granny square and join them together to create beautiful and unique projects.

#### Materials You'll Need

- Worsted weight yarn in your desired color
- Crochet hook in the size recommended for your yarn
- Scissors
- Yarn needle

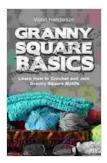
#### How To Crochet A Granny Square

A granny square is made up of a series of rounds, each of which is worked in a different stitch pattern. The basic granny square is made up of 12 rounds, but you can add or subtract rounds to create squares of different sizes.

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To start a granny square, make a slip knot and then work 4 chain stitches. Join the chain stitches together with a slip stitch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** Work 3 chain stitches, then work 2 double crochet stitches into the ring. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the ring. Repeat from \* around the ring. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

**Round 2:** Chain 3, then work 2 double crochet stitches into the corner space. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next corner space. Repeat from \* around the round. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

**Round 3:** Chain 2, then work a double crochet stitch into the next stitch. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next corner space. Chain 2, then work a double crochet stitch into the next stitch. Repeat from \* around the round. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

Round 4: Repeat Round 3.

**Round 5:** Chain 2, then work a double crochet stitch into the next stitch. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next corner space. Chain 2, then work 2 double crochet stitches into the next stitch. Repeat from \* around the round. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

Round 6: Repeat Round 5.

**Round 7:** Chain 2, then work a double crochet stitch into the next stitch. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next corner space. Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next stitch. Repeat from \* around the round. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

Round 8: Repeat Round 7.

**Round 9:** Chain 2, then work a double crochet stitch into the next stitch. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next corner space. Chain 2, then work 4 double crochet stitches into the next stitch. Repeat from \* around the round. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

Round 10: Repeat Round 9.

**Round 11:** Chain 2, then work a double crochet stitch into the next stitch. \*Chain 2, then work 3 double crochet stitches into the next corner space. Chain 2, then work 5 double crochet stitches into the next stitch. Repeat from \* around the round. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the first chain stitch.

#### Round 12: Repeat Round 11.

Your granny square is now complete! You can now join it to other granny squares to create a variety of projects.

#### How To Join Granny Squares

There are several different ways to join granny squares, but the most common method is the slip stitch join. To slip stitch join two granny squares, follow these steps:

- 1. Place the two granny squares side by side, with the right sides facing each other.
- 2. Insert your crochet hook into the first stitch on the side of one granny square.
- 3. Yarn over and pull up a loop.
- 4. Insert your crochet hook into the first stitch on the side of the other granny square.
- 5. Yarn over and pull up a loop.
- 6. Yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on your hook.
- 7. Repeat Steps 2-6 until you have joined all of the sides of the two granny squares.

You can also join granny squares using a single crochet stitch or a half double crochet stitch. To join granny squares using a single crochet stitch, follow these steps:

- 1. Place the two granny squares side by side, with the right sides facing each other.
- 2. Insert your crochet hook into the first stitch on the side of one granny square.
- 3. Yarn over and pull up a loop.
- 4. Insert your crochet hook into the first stitch on the side of the other granny square.
- 5. Yarn over and pull up a loop.
- 6. Yarn over and pull through all 2 loops on your hook.
- 7. Repeat Steps 2-6 until you have joined all of the sides of the two granny squares.

To join granny squares using a half double crochet stitch, follow these steps:

- 1. Place the two granny squares side by side, with the right sides facing each other.
- 2. Insert your crochet hook into the first stitch on the side of one granny square.
- 3. Yarn over and pull up a loop.
- 4. Yarn over and pull through the first loop on your hook.
- 5. Insert your crochet hook into the first stitch on the side of the other granny square.
- 6. Yarn over and pull up a loop.

- 7. Yarn over and pull through the first 2 loops on your hook.
- 8. Yarn over and pull through the remaining 2 loops on your hook.
- 9. Repeat Steps 2-8 until you have joined all of the sides of the two granny squares.

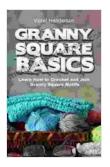
#### **Projects You Can Make With Granny Squares**

Once you know how to crochet and join granny squares, you can create a variety of projects, including:

- Blankets and throws
- Bags and totes
- Scarves and wraps
- Hats and headbands
- Coasters and placemats
- Pillow covers and cushion covers

Granny squares are a versatile and easy way to add a touch of color and creativity to your home or wardrobe. So grab your yarn and hook and get started on your own granny square project today!

Crocheting granny squares is a fun and easy way to create beautiful and unique projects. With a little practice, you'll be able to master the basic granny square and join them together to create a variety of items. So what are you waiting for? Get started on your own granny square project today!



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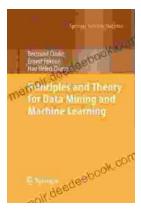
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