

SUNBURST SQUARE



Level: Beginner/Intermediate

Finished Size: 5 inches by 5 inches

Materials:

Crochet Hook: Size H (5.0 mm)

Yarn: Worsted weight yarn (Category 4)

Additional Tools:

- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers (optional)
- Ruler or tape measure (optional)

Pattern Notes

This pattern worked in the round.

The instructions in this pattern are written in US crochet terms.

Stitches and Abbreviations

- SL ST - Slipe Stitch
- St/Sts – Stitch(es)
- Ch - Chain
- Hdc - Half Double Crochet
- Dc - Double Crochet
- Tr - Treble Croche

Special Stitches

Puff Stitch: To create a Puff Stitch, follow these steps: *Yarn over, insert your hook into the designated stitch, yarn over, and pull up a loop* three times (resulting in 7 loops on your hook). Then, yarn over and pull through all the loops on your hook. Finish by chaining 1 to secure the puff stitch.

Cluster Stitch: The Cluster Stitch is crafted as follows: *Yarn over, insert your hook into the specified stitch, yarn over, and pull up a loop, then yarn over and pull through 2 loops* four times (leaving you with 5 loops on your hook). Finally, yarn over and pull through all the loops on your hook to complete the cluster stitch.

Pattern Instructions

Round 1

Start with a magic ring. Alternatively, you can commence with a chain: Create a slip knot, chain 5, and connect with a slip stitch.

Next, chain 3 (this counts as your initial double crochet) and craft 15 additional double crochets into the ring. Join by making a slip stitch to the top of the initial chain-3. (Totaling 16 stitches) Now, snip the yarn and securely fasten it off.



Round 2

Begin by attaching a new strand of yarn using a slip stitch to any double crochet (dc). Chain 2, create a puff stitch in the same stitch, and continue making puff stitches in each double crochet around. Finish by joining with a slip stitch to the initial puff stitch. You should have a total of 16 puff stitches. Cut the yarn and secure it by fastening off.

To create a puff stitch:

Yarn over and insert the hook into the designated stitch, then pull up a loop (resulting in 3 loops on the hook).

Yarn over again, insert the hook into the same stitch, and pull up another loop (for a total of 5 loops on the hook).

Yarn over once more, insert the hook into the same stitch, and pull up yet another loop (now with 7 loops on the hook).

Finally, yarn over and pull the yarn through all the loops on the hook, followed by chaining 1 to secure the stitch.



Round 3

Begin this round by attaching a new yarn with a slip stitch into any of the chain-1 spaces. Then, chain 2. In this round, we will be creating a series of cluster stitches. Crafting a cluster stitch is akin to executing a sequence of unfinished double crochet stitches.

The initial cluster stitch of this round differs slightly to accommodate the initial chain-2. To craft the first cluster stitch, follow these steps: *Yarn over, insert your hook into the same stitch, yarn over again, and pull up a loop. Yarn over once more and pull through 2 loops.* Repeat these steps two more times. This will result in having 4 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all 4 loops to finalize the stitch. After that, chain 2.

Following that, proceed to create the remaining cluster stitches as follows: (Cluster stitch, chain 2) in the subsequent chain-1 space and in each chain-1 space all the way around. Join everything together with a slip stitch to the initial cluster stitch. This will yield a total of 16 cluster stitches. To finish, cut the yarn and fasten off.

To create a cluster stitch, follow these steps:

Yarn over, then insert your hook into the designated space, and pull up a loop. Yarn over once more, and pull through 2 loops (resulting in 2 loops on your hook).

Yarn over, insert your hook into the same space, and pull up a loop. Yarn over again, and pull through 2 loops (now there are 3 loops on your hook).

Yarn over, insert your hook into the same space, and pull up a loop. Yarn over one more time, and pull through 2 loops (resulting in 4 loops on your hook).

Yarn over, insert your hook into the same space, and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through 2 loops (leaving you with 5 loops on your hook).

Finally, yarn over and pull the yarn through all the loops on your hook.



Round 4:

Begin by attaching a new yarn using a slip stitch in any of the chain-2 spaces. Chain 4, which counts as your initial treble crochet (tr), and then work 2 tr stitches in the same space.

Proceed to create the first side of the square as follows: Work 3 double crochets (dc) in the next chain-2 space, followed by 3 half double crochets (hdc) in the subsequent chain-2 space, and then complete the side with 3 more double crochets in the next chain-2 space. This sequence forms the first side of the square.

Now, craft the first corner: Work 3 treble crochets (tr) in the following chain-2 space, chain 3, and then work another 3 treble crochets in the same chain-2 space. This combination forms the first corner.

Proceed to repeat this side and corner pattern for the other three sides and corners in the square.

For the second side: Begin with 3 double crochets in the next chain-2 space, then follow with 3 half double crochets in the subsequent chain-2 space, and complete the side with 3 more double crochets in the next chain-2 space.

For the second corner: Work 3 treble crochets in the next chain-2 space, chain 3, and then work another 3 treble crochets in the same chain-2 space.

Moving on to the third side: Start with 3 double crochets in the next chain-2 space, followed by 3 half double crochets in the subsequent chain-2 space, and complete the side with 3 more double crochets in the next chain-2 space.

For the third corner: Work 3 treble crochets in the next chain-2 space, chain 3, and then work another 3 treble crochets in the same chain-2 space.

Crochet the final side: Begin with 3 double crochets in the next chain-2 space, followed by 3 half double crochets in the subsequent chain-2 space, and complete the side with 3 more double crochets in the next chain-2 space.

To complete the last corner: Work 3 treble crochets in the same space as the initial treble stitches, chain 3, and then join them with a slip stitch to the top of the starting chain-4.



Finishing

Congratulations, your sunburst granny square is now finished. To complete your square, trim the yarn and secure it. Then, weave in the ends.

If you plan to join multiple granny squares together, consider blocking them to ensure straight and even edges.