

SPRINGBOK GRANNY SQUARE

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MATERIALS:

- DK yarn in various colours (**white**, **olive green**, **very dark brown**, **camel**, **dark brown**)
- G (4.00 mm) crochet hook
- darning needle

ABBREVIATIONS (US TERMINOLOGY):

MR	magic ring
ch	chain stitch
dc	double crochet
sl st	slip stitch
st(s)	stitch(es)
cont	continue
inc	increase
sc	single crochet
hdc	half double crochet
rep	repeat
sk	skip
beg	beginning
WS	wrong side
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together
* *	repeat instructions between asterisks as many times as directed

() additional information / alternate instructions / work a group of stitches all in the same space or stitch

GAUGE:

1" (2.4 cm) across = approximately 4 double crochet stitches

1" (2.4 cm) in height = approximately 2 rows of double crochet stitches

SIZE:

Approximately 20 cm x 20 cm (8.15" x 8.15")

YARDAGE:

Approximately 61 m (67 yds)

PATTERN:

- Round 1: with **white** yarn, MR, ch 2 (counts as dc), 11 dc in MR, sl st to ch 2 (12 sts)
- Round 2: ch 2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, 2 dc in each st around, sl st to ch 2 (24 sts)
- Round 3: ch 2 (counts as dc), dc in same st and next st, *2 dc, dc*, cont inc around, sl st to ch 2, cut yarn (36 sts)
- Round 4: attach **olive green** yarn with sl st, ch 1 (counts as sc), sc in same st, hdc in next 2 sts, dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next st, *dc, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc)*, rep 2 more times, dc, hdc in next 2 sts, sl st to ch 1
- Round 5: ch 2 (counts as dc), turn, sk next st, dc in next 4 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner space, *dc in next 11 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner space*, rep 2 more times, dc in next 6 sts, sl st to top of ch 2
- Round 6: ch 2 (counts as dc), turn, sk next st, dc in next 7 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner space, *dc in next 14 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner space*, rep 2 more times, dc in next 6 sts, sl st to top of ch 2
- Round 7: ch 2 (counts as dc), turn, sk next st, dc in next 7 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner space, *dc in next 17 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner space*, rep 2 more times, dc in next 9 sts, sl st to top of ch 2
- Round 8: ch 2 (counts as dc), turn, sk next st, dc in next 10 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner space, *dc in next 20 sts, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner space*, rep 2 more times, dc in next 9 sts, join with invisible join*, and secure end† before weaving in ends

Nose:

- Round 1: with **white** yarn, MR, ch 1 (counts as sc), 4 sc in MR, sl st to ch 1 (5 sts)

* do not join with sl st at end of round; cut yarn, leaving long end for sewing in; remove hook by pulling yarn completely through last st; thread darning needle with end of yarn; sew yarn under '>' of beg st of round, and then right through middle of '>' of last st made (coming out on WS of work)

† thread end of yarn under any single part of any nearby st, but do not tighten – this creates first loop; thread end of yarn back through first loop made, but do not tighten; now carefully and gently pull first loop completely closed – this creates second loop; thread end of yarn back through second loop made; now pull second loop completely closed

- Round 2: ch 1 (counts as sc), sc in same st, 2 sc in each st around, sl st to ch 1 (10 sts)
- Round 3: ch 1, (counts as sc), sc in same st and next st, *2 sc, sc*, cont inc around, sl st to ch 1 (15 sts)
- Round 4: ch 1, (counts as sc), sc in same st and next 2 sts, *2 sc, sc in next 2 sts*, cont inc around, sl st to ch 1 (20 sts)
- Row 5: ch 1, sc in same st and next 3 sts (4 sts)
- Rows 6-8: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 3 sts (4 sts)
- Row 9: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 3 sts (5 sts)
- Row 10: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 4 sts (6 sts)
- Rows 11-12: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 5 sts (6 sts)
- Row 13: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 5 sts (7 sts)
- Row 14: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 6 sts (8 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew nose to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of nose, and embroidering nostrils and mouth; attach nose to face, so white chin hangs over onto first, second, and third rounds of olive green, and top of nose bridge is in line with top edge of face)

Nostrils and mouth:

Using **very dark brown** yarn (approximately 20 cm in length), embroider nostrils (sew over same part twice, to make them thicker/more pronounced than mouth) and mouth (see picture on first page), and secure on underside of nose by tying reef knot with ends of yarn before weaving in ends.

Forehead:

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **camel** yarn, ch 2, sc in second ch from hook (1 st)
- Row 2: ch 1, turn, 2 sc (2 sts)
- Row 3: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in each st (4 sts)
- Row 4: ch 1, turn, sc in each st (4 sts)
- Row 5: ch 1, turn, sc in each st (4 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew forehead to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of forehead)

Left ear:

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **white** yarn, leaving long tail to sew ear to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of ear, and securing inner ear; attach each ear on either side of face, between last round of white and first round of olive green, around two sts, after folding outer parts of bottom of ear inwards slightly, so ear is directly in line with diagonal of square), ch 6, sc in second ch from hook, and next 4 ch (5 sts)
- Row 2: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st, sc, sc2tog (3 sts)
- Row 3: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts (4 sts)
- Rows 4-5: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 3 sts (4 sts)
- Row 6: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st, sc2tog (3 sts)
- Row 7: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st, sc in last st (2 sts)
- Row 8: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, and weave in end

Right ear:

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **white** yarn, leaving long tail to sew ear to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of ear, and securing inner ear; attach each ear on either side of face, between last round of white and first round of olive green, around two sts, after folding outer parts of bottom of ear inwards slightly, so ear is directly in line with diagonal of square), ch 6, sc in second ch from hook, and next 4 ch (5 sts)
- Row 2: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st, sc, sc2tog (3 sts)
- Row 3: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st, 2 sc in last st (4 sts)
- Rows 4-5: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 3 sts (4 sts)
- Row 6: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st, sc in next 2 sts (3 sts)
- Row 7: ch 1, turn, sc in same st, sc2tog (2 sts)
- Row 8: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, and weave in end

Inner ears (make 2):

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **very dark brown** yarn, ch 2, sc in second ch from hook (1 st)
- Row 2: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st (2 sts)
- Rows 3-4: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st (2 sts)
- Row 5: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, leaving long end for sewing inner ear to ear of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of inner ear; attach each inner ear directly in centre of either ear)

Horns (make 2):

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **dark brown** yarn, ch 15, dc in third ch from hook, dc in next 3 ch, hdc in next 3 ch, sc in next 2 ch, sl st in next 4 ch, tie off, leaving long tail to sew horn to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of horn; attach each thicker part of horn to top of face, slightly over either side of forehead, and each thinner part of horn to base of square, on first to fifth rounds of olive green) – it is best to first pin horn into position, before attempting to sew securely

Stripes along nose (make 2):

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **dark brown** yarn (a slightly redder shade, if desired), ch 12, tie off, leaving long tail to sew stripe to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of stripe; attach each stripe on either side of nose bridge)

Eyes (make 2):

- Round 1: with **very dark brown** yarn, MR, ch 1 (counts as sc), 4 sc in MR, sl st to ch 1 (5 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew eye to face of springbok (*after* weaving in other end of eye; attach each eye on either side of face, directly below ear, between nose bridge and outer edge of face), and to embroider eyelash (see picture on first page)

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