

GIRAFFE GRANNY SQUARE

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MATERIALS:

- DK yarn in various colours (**pale yellow**, **olive green**, **brown**, **very 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
BL	back loop
RS	right 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 **pale yellow** 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

* 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

Nose:

- Round 1: with **brown** yarn, MR, ch 1 (counts as sc), 4 sc in MR, sl st to ch 1 (5 sts)
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 2 sts (3 sts)
Rows 6-9: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 2 sts (3 sts)
Row 10: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st, 2 sc in last st (4 sts)
Row 11: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 2 sts, 2 sc in last st (5 sts)
Row 12: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in last st (7 sts)
Row 13: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in last st (9 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew nose to face of giraffe (*after* weaving in other end of nose, securing nostrils, and working horns; attach nose to face, so tip of brown chin hangs over onto first and second rounds of olive green, and top of nose bridge is in line with top edge of face)

Nostrils (make 2):

With **very dark brown** yarn and darning needle, make French knot (wind yarn around needle seven times), pull knot tight, and secure to nose by tying reef knot with ends of yarn on underside of nose.

Left horn:

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **brown** yarn: with RS of nose facing up, attach yarn with sl st to first st of row 13 of nose, sc in next 2 sts, sl st in next st (2 sts)
Row 2: ch 1, turn, sc in next 2 sts (2 sts)
Rows 3-6: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st (2 sts), cut yarn, leaving long tail to sew horn to base of square (*after* weaving in other end of horn, and working tip of horn; attach horn after sewing nose to face of giraffe)
Row 7: attach **very dark brown** yarn with sl st, ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st (2 sts)
Row 8: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, leaving long tail to sew tip of horn to base of square (*after* weaving in other end of tip of horn)

Right horn:

- Row 1: make slip knot on hook with **brown** yarn: with WS of nose facing up, attach yarn with sl st to second last st of row 13 of nose, sc in next 2 sts, sl st in next st (2 sts)
Row 2: ch 1, turn, sc in next 2 sts (2 sts)
Rows 3-6: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st (2 sts), cut yarn, leaving long tail to sew horn to base of square (*after* weaving in other end of horn, and working tip of horn; attach horn after sewing nose to face of giraffe)
Row 7: attach **very dark brown** yarn with sl st, ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st (2 sts)

Row 8: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, leaving long tail to sew tip of horn to base of square (*after* weaving in other end of tip of horn)

Left ear:

Row 1: working on square, outwards (towards edge): make slip knot on hook with **pale yellow** yarn, and attach yarn with sl st to base of square where last round of pale yellow meets first round of olive green, around top of third pale yellow st from top left edge of nose bridge, ch 1, sc around top of next 3 sts (3 sts)

Row 2: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 2 sts (3 sts)

Row 3: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts (4 sts)

Row 4: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st, sc2tog (3 sts)

Row 5: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st, sc in last st (2 sts)

Row 6: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, and weave in ends

Right ear:

Row 1: working on square, outwards (towards edge): make slip knot on hook with **pale yellow** yarn, and attach yarn with sl st to base of square where last round of pale yellow meets first round of olive green, around top of first pale yellow st from top right edge of nose bridge, ch 1, sc around top of next 3 sts (3 sts)

Row 2: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 2 sts (3 sts)

Row 3: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next st, 2 sc in last st (4 sts)

Row 4: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st, sc in last 2 sts (3 sts)

Row 5: ch 1, turn, sc in same st, sc2tog (2 sts)

Row 6: ch 1, turn, sc2tog over same st and next st (1 st), tie off, and weave in ends

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)

Row 3: ch 1, turn, sc in *next* st (1 st)

Row 4: ch 1, turn, sc in same st (1 st), tie off, leaving long end for sewing inner ear to ear of giraffe (*after* weaving in other end of inner ear; attach each inner ear directly in centre of either ear)

Eyes (make 2):

Round 1: with **very dark brown** yarn, MR, ch 1 (counts as sc), 5 sc in MR, sl st to ch 1 (6 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew eye to face of giraffe (*after* weaving in other end of eye; attach each eye on either side of face, directly below ear, on outer edge of face), and to embroider eyelash (see picture on first page)

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