

BABOON GRANNY SQUARE

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MATERIALS:

- DK yarn in various colours (**speckled brown**, **olive green**, **dark brown**, **camel**, **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
* *	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 51 m (56 yds)

PATTERN:

- Round 1: with **speckled brown** 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 **dark 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)
- Row 4: ch 1, sc in same st and next 3 sts (4 sts)
- Rows 5-7: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 3 sts (4 sts)
- Row 8: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in last st (6 sts)
- Row 9: ch 1, turn, 2 sc in same st, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in last st (8 sts)
- Row 10: ch 1, turn, sc in same st and next 7 sts (8 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew nose to face of baboon (*after* weaving in other end of nose, securing eyes and nostrils, and embroidering mouth; attach nose to face, so tip of dark brown chin hangs over onto first and slightly onto second rounds of olive green, and top of nose bridge is in line with top of second round of face)

Eyes (make 2):

- Round 1: with **camel** 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 nose of baboon (*after* weaving in other end of eye, and securing pupil; attach each eye on either side of nose bridge)
- Pupil: with **very dark brown** yarn and darning needle, make French knot (wind yarn around needle three times), pull knot very tight, and secure to centre of eye by tying reef knot with ends of yarn on underside of eye

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.

Mouth:

Using **very dark brown** yarn (approximately 20 cm in length), embroider mouth (see picture on first page), and secure on underside of nose by tying reef knot with ends of yarn before weaving in ends.

Ears (make 2):

- Round 1: with **dark brown** yarn, MR, ch 1, 5 sc in MR (5 sts)
- Round 2: ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in first st, (hdc, sc) in next st, 2 sc in next st, (sc, hdc) in next st, 2 hdc in last st (10 sts), tie off, leaving long tail to sew ear to face of baboon (*after* weaving in other end of ear; attach each ear on either side of face, between last round of speckled brown and first round of olive green, around five sts, so top of ear is directly in line with diagonal of square)

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