

Harmon Granny Square Preemie Hat

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Difficulty Level: Intermediate

Available Sizes: Preemie

Finished Measurements: Hat Circumference 8 $\frac{3}{4}$; Hat height 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Yarn: Cascade Yarns Pacific & Pacific Prints (60% Acrylic, 40% Superwash Merino Wool; 213 yds; 100 g; yarn weight category 4/Medium/Worsted) Pacific Prints #606 Eggplant (color A), Pacific #01 Cream (color B).

Yardage: 10 yds color A; 40 yds color B + 10 more for a yarn pom pom

Crochet Hook: I (5.5 mm) and H (5 mm). Adjust hook sizes if needed to match gauge. If you want to make a smaller preemie hat, try using H (5 mm) and a size G+/7 (4.5 mm).

Notions: Tapestry needle, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch button, sewing needle and thread to match color A, faux fur pom or yarn pom pom

Gauge: With larger hook 4 rnds of granny square = 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.



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The following links will take you to specific spots in a complete video tutorial.

[How to crochet a granny square](#)

[Crochet flat slip stitch joining method](#)

[Ribbed Edging](#)

Abbreviations Used

blo, back loop only

ch(s), chain(s)

dc, double crochet

hdc, half double crochet

rnd(s), round(s)

RS, right side

sc, single crochet

sl st, slip stitch

sp, space

st(s), stitch(es)

WS, wrong side

Granny Square (make 5)

With A and larger hook size, make a Magic Ring by wrapping the yarn around the first two fingers of your right hand one full time. With your left hand, carefully grab both strands where they meet and pull the ring off your right fingers, place your hook through this ring, yarn over, pull up a loop, and you are ready to begin Rnd 1.

Rnd 1: Ch 2 (does not count as a st), [3 dc in ring, ch 2] 3 times, 3 dc in ring, pull tail of Magic Ring to close center hole, hdc in first st to join (hdc counts as corner ch-sp) - 12 dc. Fasten off A.

Tip: If you are going to attach a pom to the top of your hat, leave the Magic Ring of one square just the tiniest bit loose and use it as the top square in your hat. This will make it easier to pull the elastic loop of the pom through the center of the square.

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Rnd 2: With B, ch 2, 3 dc in corner ch-sp, *skip next 3 sts, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next corner ch-sp, repeat from * 2 more times, skip next 3 sts, 3 dc in next corner ch-sp, hdc in first st to join - 24 dc. Fasten off.

Layout

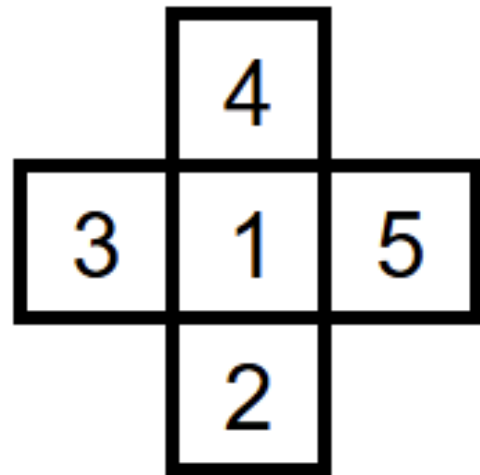
Lay squares out in a + shape on a flat surface, as in the diagram.

Joining

Center Join

As you join the squares, all squares will face RS up at all times. You will insert your hook through only the back loops of all stitches and chains.

First you will join squares 2-5 to square 1, by slip stitching through each chain and stitch around square 1, along with its counterpart on the square opposite.



At each corner ch-sp the first ch will be slip stitched to a chain from the corner ch-sp of the square opposite, then you will chain 1, then you will slip stitch the next chain together with a chain from the corner ch-sp of the next square.

With B and larger hook, place a slip knot on your hook. Always keep working-yarn below squares and hook so that as you work, you are pulling the working yarn from underneath your join.

Begin at the corner ch-sp where squares 1 and 2 meet.

*Insert hook through first ch of corner ch-sp of top square, insert hook through second ch of corner ch-sp of bottom square, sl st, [insert hook through next st of bottom square, insert hook through next st of top square, sl st, insert hook through next st of top square, insert hook through next st of bottom square, sl st] across to next corner ch-sp, insert hook through next ch of bottom square, insert hook through next ch of top square**, ch 1, turn

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center square 90 degrees to join next square, repeat from * 3 more times, ending last repeat at **, sl st in first sl st to join. Do not fasten off.

Side Joins

Working downward, you will join the side of square 2 to the square next to it. Turn piece so that the sides to be joined are horizontal in front of you.

With B and larger, insert hook through first ch of corner ch-sp of top square, insert hook through second ch of corner ch-sp of bottom square, sl st, [insert hook through next st of bottom square, insert hook through next st of top square, sl st, insert hook through next st of top square, insert hook through next st of bottom square, sl st] across to next corner ch-sp, insert hook through next ch of bottom square, insert hook through next ch of top square. Fasten off.

Now you will join the sides of the next 2 squares. Turn piece so that the sides to be joined are horizontal in front of you.

*With B and larger hook, make a slip knot, but don't place it on hook, insert hook through ch 1 of Center Join that lies at the end of the two sides being joined, pull loop of slip knot up through the ch, insert hook through first ch of corner ch-sp of top square, insert hook through second ch of corner ch-sp of bottom square, sl st, [insert hook through next st of bottom square, insert hook through next st of top square, sl st, insert hook through next st of top square, insert hook through next st of bottom square, sl st] across to next corner ch-sp, insert hook through next ch of bottom square, insert hook through next ch of top square. Fasten off.

Repeat from * to join squares 3 and 4. Repeat once more to join squares 4 and 5, but do not fasten off at the end. Ch 1, and continue to Bottom Edging.

Bottom Edging

Setup Rnd (RS): Sc in top sl st of join, *sc in each ch-sp and st to next join**, sc in top sl st of join, repeat from * 3 more times, ending last repeat at **, sl st in first st to join - 36 sts.

Change to smaller hook and ch 7.

Row 1 (RS): Sc in bottom ridge loop of 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, sl st in first 2 sts of Setup Rnd, turn - 6 sts.

Row 2: Sc blo in each st across, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc blo in each st across, sl st in next 2 sts of Setup Rnd, turn.

Alternate repeating Rows 2 and 3 until you've completed 36 rows, one for each st of the Setup Rnd.

With hat WS out, with first and last rows of Bottom Edging even, working through both layers, sl st through both loops of first foundation ch and through blo of first st of last rnd, sl st across in each st and ch in the same manner to seam. Fasten off.

Finishing

Weave in all ends.

To attach a pom with an elastic loop, sew a ½ inch button just inside top center of hat. Use crochet hook to pull elastic loop of pom through center of top granny square and secure it around button.

If the pom has two ties, pull them through two different spaces on either side of top center and tie in a bow inside hat.

Always remove poms before washing hat.

Finished!





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