

# Granny Square Bag

Grannies have come out of their usual comfort afghan mode and into the world of fun fashion. Create this shoulder bag in favorite shades for yourself or a special gift. Only you will know how easy it was to make!

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## Size:

11½" x 11½"

## Materials:

Worsted weight yarn, 3½ oz (311 yds, 105 gms) cream; 6 oz (538 yds, 180 gms) variegated

*Note: Our photographed bag was made with Lion Brand® Imagine, Fisherman #099 and Blue on Blue #340.*

Size G (4.25 mm) crochet hook, or size required for gauge

Size 16 tapestry needle

Sewing needle and matching thread

## Gauge:

Rnds 1 through 5 of motif = 4½" x 4½"

## Pattern Stitch

**Long Double Crochet (long dc):**  
YO, insert hook in sp indicated on 3rd rnd below, draw up lp to height of working rnd, (YO and draw through 2 lps on hook) twice—long dc made.

## Instructions

### Motif (make 8)

With cream, ch 4; join to form a ring.

**Rnd 1 (right side):** Ch 3 (counts as a dc on this and following rnds), 3 dc in ring; ch 2; \* 4 dc in ring; ch 2; rep from \* twice more; join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 2:** \* Ch 4, sl st in next ch-2 sp; rep from \* twice more; ch 4; join in joining sl st.

**Rnd 3:** Sl st in next ch-4 sp, ch 3, in same sp work (3 dc, ch 2, 4 dc)—beg corner made; \* ch 1, in next ch-4 sp work (4 dc, ch 2, 4 dc)—corner made; rep from \* twice more; ch 1; join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Finish off.

**Rnd 4:** Join variegated in ch-2 sp of any corner; ch 3, in same sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc)—beg 3-dc corner made; \* † dc in next ch-1 sp, working over same ch-1 sp, 2 long dc (see Pattern Stitch) in ch-2 sp on 3rd rnd below; on working rnd, dc in same ch-1 sp ‡; in ch-2 sp of next corner work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc)—3-dc corner made; rep from \* twice more, then rep from † to ‡ once; join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

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**Rnd 5:** Sl st in next 2 dc and in next ch-2 sp, beg 3-dc corner in same sp; \* † (4 dc in sp between dc groups) twice †; 3-dc corner in next corner; rep from \* twice more, then rep from † to † once; join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Finish off.



### Center Edge:

Join cream in ch-2 sp in upper right-hand corner; ch 3, dc in same sp; dc in each dc to next corner ch-2 sp; 2 dc in corner ch-2 sp—18 dc.

Finish off and weave in all ends.

### Assembly

Referring to photo for placement, join 4 motifs together by sewing through BLs only. Repeat with remaining 4 motifs.

### Square Edging

Hold one square with right side facing you; join variegated in upper right-hand corner ch-2 sp.

**Rnd 1:** Beg 3-dc corner in same sp; \* † (4 dc in sp between next dc groups) 3 times; 3 dc in next corner ch-2 sp; 3 dc in edge dc of center edge; 3 dc in next corner ch-2 sp; (4 dc in sp between next two 3-dc groups) 3 times †; 3-dc corner in next corner ch-2 sp; rep from \* twice more, then rep from † to † once; join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Finish off.

**Rnd 2:** Join cream in any corner ch-2 sp; ch 3, in same sp work (dc, ch 2, 2 dc)—beg 2-dc corner made; \* † hdc in each dc to next corner ch-2 sp †; in corner ch-2 sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc)—2-dc corner made; rep from \* twice more, then rep from † to † once; join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 3:** Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), hdc in next dc; \* in ch-2 sp of next corner work 2-dc corner; hdc in each st to next corner ch-2 sp; rep from \* twice more; in ch-2 sp of next corner work 2-dc corner; hdc in each st to beg ch-2; join in 2nd ch of beg ch-2.

Finish off and weave in all ends.

Repeat on other square.

### Strap

With cream, ch 4; join to form a ring.

*Note: Strap is worked in continuous rnds. Do not join; mark beg of rnds.*

**Rnd 1:** 10 sc in ring. Do not join.

**Rnd 2:** Sc in each sc.

Rep Rnd 2 until piece measures about 35" from beg. At end of last rnd, join in first sc.

Finish off and weave in ends.

### Button

With cream, ch 2; 10 sc in 2nd ch from hook; working over 10 sc just made, long sc in same ch; join in first sc.

Finish off and weave in ends.

### Button Loop

With cream, ch 21; sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each rem ch. Finish off.

### Finishing

Hold squares with wrong sides together. Working in BLs only and with overcast st, sew along 3 edges. Sew strap to inside of bag about 1" down on inside at edge. Sew button to front of bag. Sew button loop to opposite side of bag.

### Fringe

Following Fringe instructions on page 217, make Single Knot Fringe. Cut 12" strands of each color. Use 2 strands of each color for each knot of fringe. Tie knots evenly spaced across bottom edge of bag.