



## Birthday Cake Granny Border

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### Yarn

- Bernat Super Value Yarn

### Hook

• 5.5 mm / I Hook or Size that Matches Your Yarn

### Abbreviations

Beg = Begin(ning)	Bpdc = Back Post Double Crochet
Ch(s) = Chain(s)	Fpdc = Front Post Double Crochet
Dc = Double Crochet	
Rep = Repeat	
Sk = Skip	
Sl St = Slip Stitch	
Sp = Space	

### Pattern for Just the Regular Granny Square

Note: Ch 6 at beg of rnd counts as dc and ch 3.

**Rnd 1:** With A, ch 5. Join with sl st to first ch to form a ring. 1st rnd: Ch 6. (3 dc. Ch 3) 3 times in ring. 2 dc in ring. Join with sl st to 3rd ch of ch 6. (Four groups of 3 dc, four ch-3 sps forming corners).

**Rnd 2:** Sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 6. 3 dc in same sp as last sl st. \*Ch 1. (3 dc. Ch 3. 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp. Rep from \* twice more. Ch 1. 2 dc in first ch-3 sp. Join with sl st to 3rd ch of ch 6. Fasten off.

**Rnd 3:** Join B with sl st in any ch-3 sp. Ch 6. 3 dc in same sp as last sl st. Ch 1. 3 dc in next ch-1 sp. \*Ch 1. (3 dc. Ch 3. 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp. Ch 1. 3 dc in next ch-1 sp. Rep from \* twice more. Ch 1. 2 dc in first ch-3 sp. Join with sl st to 3rd ch of ch 6.

**Rnd 4:** Sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 6. 3 dc in same sp as last sl st. 3 dc in each ch-1 sp to next corner ch-3 sp. \*Ch 1. (3 dc. Ch 3. 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp. Ch 1. 3 dc in each ch-1 sp to next corner ch-3 sp. Rep from \*twice more. Ch 1. 2 dc in first ch-3 sp. Join with sl st to 3rd ch of ch 6. Fasten off.



Rep last rnd, working 2 rnds each of A, B, C, D and E, until square measures approx 36" [91.5 cm], ending with 2 rnds of any color. Fasten off.

### Border Instructions

In the instructions, I will have you turn your project around after the first round as it's easier to Front Post Double Crochet verses Back Post Double Crochet. But if you want to not turn and do back post double crochet around, then by all means... do what works for you.

**Rnd 1:** Fasten onto to any corner space. Ch 3, (counts as a dc), 2 dc, ch 2, \*dc into each stitch and space to the next corner. In corners, place 3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc in each. Repeat \* Around. Join to the top of the ch 3. Fasten off.

**Rnd 2:** Turn your project around so you are looking at the back aka the wrong side. Fasten on to any ch-2 space in a corner. Ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc (corner made), \*Front Post Double Crochet (fpdc) around each post to the next corner. In corners place 3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc. Repeat \* around. Join with a slip stitch to the top of the beginning ch-3. Fasten off.

**Rnd 3:** Continuing looking at the wrong side. Repeat Step 2 one more time. Fasten off.

If you want to make your border thicker, you can continue to grow the border with more rounds using the same instructions. Your afghan will stay square.

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