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## **Granny Stripes Blanket Pattern**



Greetings, beloved readers of the My Crafts Inspirations blog! I trust you are all doing splendidly. Today, let's dive into the fascinating realm of crochet, where an array of stitches awaits our creative exploration. One particular stitch that captures the essence of beauty is the Catherine's Wheel Crochet Stitch. So, gather your crochet hooks and yarn, for we are about to embark on an exciting crochet journey!

Among these cherished patterns, the Granny Stripes Blanket stands as a testament to the enduring appeal of classic crochet techniques. With its timeless charm and versatility, the Granny Stripes Blanket pattern has captured the hearts of crafters around the world, becoming

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a beloved tradition in many households

The Granny Stripes Blanket pattern, steeped in history, derives its name from the beloved matriarchs who, with skillful hands and warm hearts, crafted these blankets for generations. Traditionally, the pattern is composed of vibrant, contrasting stripes, reminiscent of the colorful threads of familial ties. The simplicity of the Granny Stripes Blanket pattern lies in its basic stitches – the chain, double crochet, and slip stitch – artfully combined to create a harmonious rhythm of colors and textures.

Moreover, this pattern serves as an excellent canvas for beginners and seasoned crocheters alike. Its repetitive nature provides a comforting rhythm, making it an ideal project for those just starting their crochet journey. For the experienced hands, it offers a delightful opportunity for customization, enabling the addition of intricate border patterns or unique stitch variations to elevate the design further.

#### Stitches you should know:

- Chain
- Single crochet
- Double crochet

## Tutorial

Begin your crochet journey by chaining 170 stitches. For the first row, single crochet in the second chain from the hook, continuing with single crochets across until you reach the end (169 stitches). On the second row, chain 3, double crochet in the same stitch, [skip 2 stitches, make 3 double crochets in the next stitch]. Repeat this sequence across, ending with 2 double crochets in the last stitch (169 stitches).

Moving on to the third row, chain 3, make 3 double crochets in the first space between the clusters of the previous row, [3 double crochets in each cluster space]. Repeat this sequence across, ending with 1 double crochet in the last stitch, which is on top of the turning chain from the previous row.

Continue working rows 3 and 4 alternately, repeating this pattern for a total of 120 rows, counting the initial single crochet row. A note of color: you can add a personal touch by changing colors every 3 rows, for instance, doing 3 rows in one color, 1 row in white or cream, and then 3 rows in another color, and so on.

If you plan to add a border, whenever you finish a color, simply cut the yarn and tie a knot to join the new color. For the border, use your desired color and half double crochet all the way across the top of your blanket. At the end, make 3 half double crochets in the same stitch to create a corner. Along the sides of your blanket, work 2 half double crochets in each row (as illustrated below). When you reach the bottom, make 1 half double crochet in each chain. Repeat this pattern for all four corners and sides of your blanket.



# Final size: 57" x 66"

Granny Stripes Blanket

If you wish to adjust the width of your blanket, simply chain a multiple of 3 plus 2 stitches to start your project. This modification allows you the flexibility to create a blanket of your preferred size while still maintaining the beauty of the Granny Stripes pattern.

## **Video Tutorial**

For those who prefer to learn through videos, I have an excellent suggestion. I recommend this comprehensive tutorial, especially created for visual learners who enjoy video content more than following written instructions. The video was made by the CJ Design channel. You can find the video tutorial here.

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Granny's stripes blanket is not just a piece of fabric; it is a legacy, a reminder that love, when woven with care and devotion, can transcend time and space. It is a testament to the enduring power of family, of the lessons passed down through generations, and the warmth that comes from knowing that you are cherished beyond measure.

So, the next time you find yourself wrapped in a cozy blanket, take a moment to appreciate the love that went into its creation. Perhaps, unbeknownst to you, it might be your very own Granny's stripes blanket, reminding you that you are always surrounded by the enduring threads of love.

The My Crafts Inspirations blog thanks each reader who dedicated a little of their time to learn this beautiful pattern. I wish you all a great week and see you on the next crochet pattern, see you next time!

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