

Free Granny Square Cross Body Bag (Detailed Beginner-Friendly Pattern)



This **Granny Square Cross Body Bag** is a stylish, beginner-friendly crochet project that works up quickly and looks professionally made. It's perfect as a personal accessory or a thoughtful handmade gift.

Materials Needed

Hooks

- **4 mm (G hook)** – for granny squares and bag edging
- **6.5 mm (K hook)** – for the strap

Yarn (Aran weight cotton recommended)

- 92 yards each:
 - Silver Grey
 - Lilac
 - Mouse Grey
 - Denim

- Blue
- 150 yards:
 - Mustard (used for joining + strap)

Hardware

- 2 large **lobster swivel clasps**
- 1 **magnetic clasp**

Notions

- Scissors
- Yarn needle
- Tape measure
- Sewing needle + thread

Finished Size & Gauge

- Width: **14 inches (point to point)**
- Height: **5.5 inches**

Gauge

- 7 rounds of granny square = **5.75 inches**

Abbreviations (US Terms)

- Ch = Chain
- Sc = Single Crochet
- Dc = Double Crochet
- St(s) = Stitch(es)
- Beg = Beginning

Important Notes

- Turn your work **after each round** to prevent slanting
- Starting **Ch1 does NOT count as a stitch**

Granny Squares (Make 4)

Use **4 mm hook**

Round 1

1. Start with a **magic circle** (or ch4 and join to form ring)
2. Ch1
3. Work:
 - (3dc, ch2) → repeat 4 times into ring
4. Join with slip stitch to first dc
5. Slip stitch into next corner space
6. Fasten off
7. Turn work

Round 2

1. Join new color in any corner space
2. Ch1
3. In same space:
 - (3dc, ch2, 3dc)
4. Repeat in each corner (4 total)
5. Join with slip stitch
6. Slip stitch into corner
7. Fasten off
8. Turn

Round 3

1. Join yarn in corner
2. Ch1
3. In corner:
 - (3dc, ch2, 3dc)
4. In side space:

- 3dc
- 5. Repeat around:
 - Corner → side → corner → side
- 6. Join, slip stitch to corner
- 7. Fasten off
- 8. Turn

Rounds 4–7 (Continue Pattern)

Follow same structure:

Round Side Groups Between Corners

- 4 2 groups
- 5 3 groups
- 6 4 groups
- 7 5 groups

Always:

- Work (3dc, ch2, 3dc) in corners
- Work 3dc in each side space

After Round 7:

- Fasten off
- Weave in ends

Bag Assembly

Use **mustard yarn + yarn needle**

Step 1: Join Squares

- Lay out 3 squares in a row
- Seam them **side-by-side** using mattress stitch

Step 2: Fold Ends

- Left square:
 - Fold **bottom-left corner** → **top-right corner**
- Right square:
 - Fold **bottom-right corner** → **top-left corner**

Step 3: Add Fourth Square

- Place 4th square on top of middle square
- Wrong side facing outward

Shape now looks like a **boat**

Step 4: Seam Bag Together

Using one long strand:

1. Join **square 1** → **square 4**
2. Continue across bottom
3. Join **square 3** → **square 4**

Leave top open

Finishing the Opening

Use **4 mm hook + mustard yarn**

Step 1: Edge Rounds

- Join yarn at top edge
- Work **Sc evenly around**
- Repeat for **3 rounds**

Step 2: Create Opening Shape

1. Lay bag flat
2. On each side:
 - Seam inward about **3.75 inches**
3. Leave center open

Step 3: Add Closure

- Sew **magnetic clasp** inside opening

Optional:

- Add lining
- Install zipper (advanced option)

Strap Instructions

Use:

- **4 strands of yarn held together**
- **6.5 mm hook**

Step-by-Step

1. Attach yarn to first lobster clasp (slip stitch)
2. Ch72 (or ~23.5 inches)
3. Attach to second clasp with slip stitch
4. Work:
 - 1 sc into clasp
 - Slip stitch into each chain back
5. Finish with sc into first clasp
6. Fasten off & weave ends

Clip strap onto bag

Alternative:

- Replace with **leather strap**

Final Tips

- Turning after each round = cleaner squares
- Use consistent tension for proper sizing
- Color combinations can completely change the look

Final Result

You'll have a:

- Trendy
- Durable
- Handmade crossbody bag

Perfect for:

- Everyday use
- Gifts
- Selling as handmade items