

# Free Magnolia Granny Square Bag Crochet Pattern



The **Magnolia Granny Square Bag** is a stylish, oversized tote made from classic granny squares arranged in a diamond layout. It's beginner-friendly, portable to work on, and perfect for everyday use—whether you're heading to the market, beach, or traveling.

## Pattern Specifications

**Materials Needed:** To achieve the best results, it is recommended to use **Lion Brand Yarn 24/7 Cotton**, which is a worsted weight #4 yarn. This yarn is mercerized, providing the strength needed for a large tote. You will need the following colors and quantities:

- **2 skeins of White (Color A)**
- **1 skein of Camel (Color C)**
- **1 skein of Dragonfly (Color B)**
- **1 skein of Silver (Color D)**
- **US size G (4.25 mm) crochet hook**
- **Tapestry needle** for seaming and weaving in ends
- **Scissors**

### Size and Gauge:

- **Finished Dimensions:** Approximately 20 inches wide and 16 inches long.
- **Gauge:** A single four-round granny square should measure approximately 4.5" x 4.5".

### Abbreviations (US Terms):

- **ch:** chain
- **ch sp:** chain space
- **st:** stitch
- **dc:** double crochet
- **rep:** repeat
- **rnd:** round
- **sl st:** slip stitch

### The Basic Granny Square Pattern

**Each of the 24 squares is worked in joined rounds.** Do not turn your work at the end of each round. When changing colors, tie off the previous color and join the new color in any corner.

**Starting Round:** Ch 3, join with a sl st to form a ring.

**Round 1:** Ch 3 (this counts as your first dc), 2 dc into the ring, \*ch 2, 3 dc into the ring; repeat from \* three more times, ch 2; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch-3. You should have 12 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces. Tie off.

**Round 2:** Join your next color in any ch-2 space from Round 1. Ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same ch-2 space to create your first corner. \*Ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next ch-2 space for the next corner; repeat from \* two more times, ch 1; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch-3. Tie off.

**Round 3:** Join the next color in any corner ch-2 space from Round 2. Ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space. \*Ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next corner ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space; repeat from \* two more times, ch 1; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch-3. Tie off.

**Round 4:** Join the next color in any corner ch-2 space from Round 3. Ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the same ch-2 space, [ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space] twice. \*Ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the next corner ch-2 space, [ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space] twice; repeat from \* two more times, ch 1; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch-3. Tie off.

## Square Color Variations

**You will need a total of 24 squares to complete the bag.** Follow this color key to create the various squares needed for the Magnolia Tote:

- **Square #1 (Make 4):** Rnd 1: Dragonfly (B), Rnd 2: Silver (D), Rnd 3: Camel (C), Rnd 4: White (A).
- **Square #2 (Make 4):** Rnd 1: Silver (D), Rnd 2: Dragonfly (B), Rnd 3: Camel (C), Rnd 4: White (A).
- **Square #3 (Make 4):** Rnd 1: Camel (C), Rnd 2: Dragonfly (B), Rnd 3: Silver (D), Rnd 4: White (A).
- **Square #4 (Make 6):** Rnd 1: Silver (D), Rnd 2: Camel (C), Rnd 3: Dragonfly (B), Rnd 4: White (A).
- **Square #5 (Make 6):** Rnd 1: Silver (D), Rnd 2: Dragonfly (B), Rnd 3: Silver (D), Rnd 4: White (A).

**The designer chose these specific colors because they feel appropriate for both summer and fall, but you are encouraged to be creative with your own stash.** A bright pink or other vibrant spring tones would also be stunning.

## Assembly

1. Weave in all ends first.
2. Arrange squares **on point (diamond shape)**.
3. Use **white yarn (A)** and a tapestry needle.
4. Join squares using **whip stitch**:
  - Stitch through outer loops for a neat seam.
5. Follow a diamond layout to form:
  - Front panel
  - Back panel
  - Side shaping

## Handles

### Step 1: Attach Yarn

- Join yarn at top edge corner of bag opening

### **Step 2: First Round**

- Single crochet evenly along top edge
- At handle position:
  - Ch **~61 stitches** (adjust length if desired)
  - Skip stitches below and attach chain to next square

Continue sc around.

### **Step 3: Second Handle**

- Repeat on opposite side

### **Step 4: Strengthen Handles**

- Work **2–3 more rounds of single crochet**:
  - Around entire opening
  - Into chain handles

This makes straps thicker and sturdier.

### **Optional Finishing**

- Add **tassels** to corners using leftover yarn
- Block bag lightly for shape
- Adjust strap length if needed

### **Tips for Success**

- Mercerized cotton = stronger, less stretchy bag
- Make squares on the go, assemble later
- Keep tension consistent for even sizing
- Use stitch markers if needed for corners

### **Final Result**

You'll have a **durable, washable, boho-style tote** that's:

- Stylish

- Spacious
- Perfect for daily use