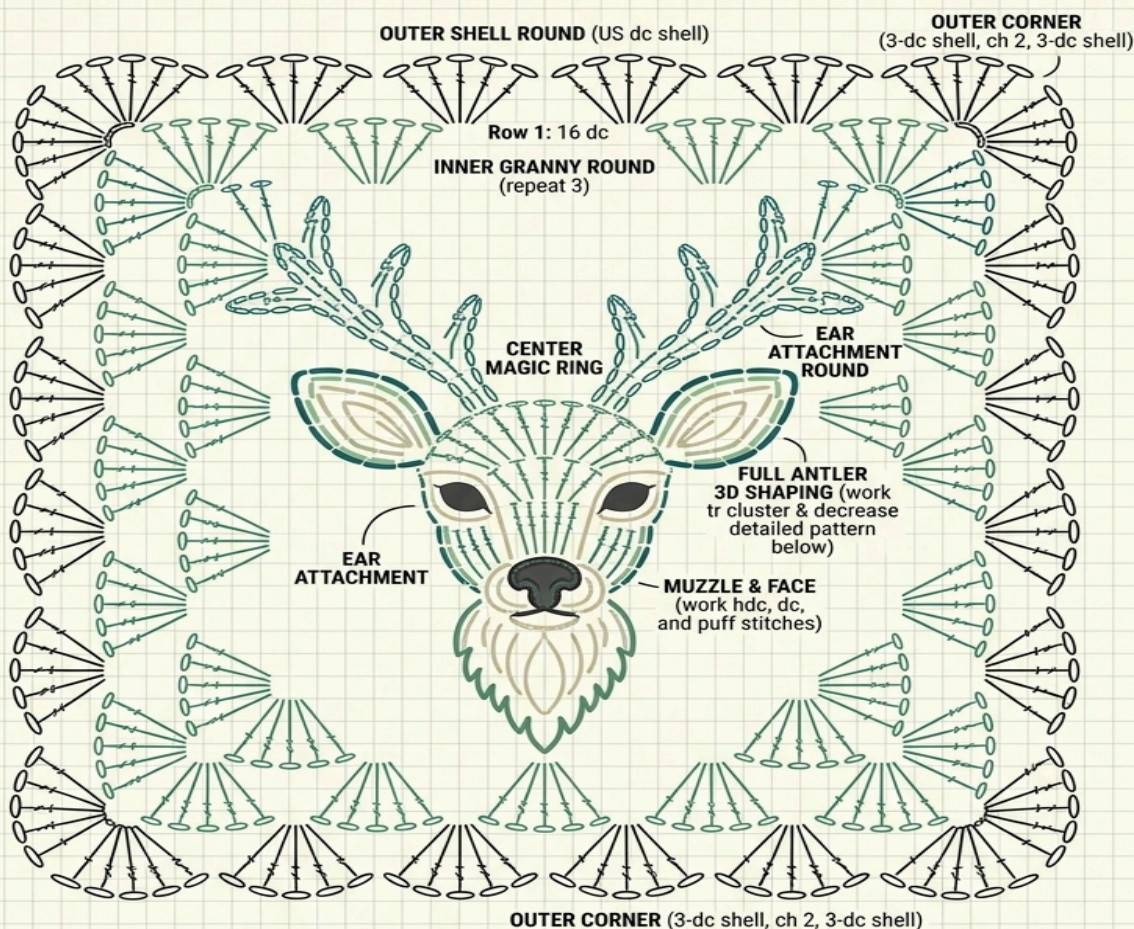


Crochet Reindeer Granny Square Pattern

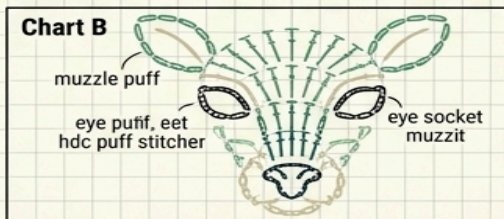
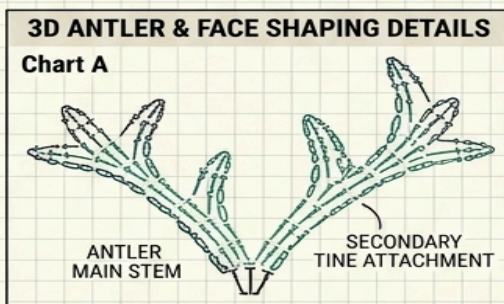


Create a beautiful reindeer-themed granny square inspired by the charted design, featuring elegant antlers, textured details, and a decorative woodland look. This pattern is perfect for Christmas blankets, pillows, wall hangings, and festive crochet projects.

TECHNICAL CROCHET DIAGRAM - STAG HEAD 3D GRANNY SQUARE (US TERMINOLOGY)



STITCH KEY	
	chain
	single crochet
	half-do crochet
	double crochet
	treble crochet
	slip stitch
	puff stitch
	cluster stitch
	decrease
	increase
	magic ring



COLOR PATH KEY	
	light path (141)
	medium path (430)
	dark path (343)
	dark path (344)
	path path - 8 50; (1.54)
	cream path (1.61)

ROUND-BY-ROUND GUIDE
Rnd 1: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 2: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 3: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 4: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 5: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 6: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 7: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 8: In MR, 12 dc.
Rnd 9: In MR, 14 dc.
Rnd 10: In MR, 12 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 11: In MR.
Rnd 12: In MR, 8 dc. (12 dc)
Rnd 13: In MR.

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Skill Level

Intermediate

You should be comfortable with:

- Chain (ch)
- Slip Stitch (sl st)
- Single Crochet (sc)
- Double Crochet (dc)
- Treble Crochet (tr)
- Popcorn Stitch

Materials

Yarn

- Worsted Weight (#4) yarn
- Main Color (Background): 100–120 yards
- Reindeer Color: 40–50 yards
- Dark Brown or Black: small amount for nose and eyes

Hook

- 5.0 mm (H) crochet hook

Notions

- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- Scissors
- Blocking mat

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Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning
ch	chain
sl st	slip stitch
sc	single crochet
dc	double crochet
tr	treble crochet
pc	popcorn stitch
sp	space
st	stitch

Finished Size

Approximately:

- 12 x 12 inches (30 x 30 cm)

Size may vary depending on yarn and tension.

Pattern Notes

- The square is worked from the center outward.
- The reindeer motif is created using textured stitches and shaped clusters.
- Antlers are formed using treble crochet fan motifs.
- Popcorn stitches add dimension to the nose and facial features.
- Read through the entire pattern before beginning.

Round 1 – Center Foundation

Make a magic ring.

Work:

- Ch 3 (counts as dc)
- 2 dc into ring
- Ch 2

Repeat 3 more times:

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- 3 dc
- Ch 2

Join with sl st to top of beginning ch-3.

You now have a classic granny square center.

Round 2 – Expand the Square

Sl st into corner space.

In each corner work:

- 3 dc
- Ch 2
- 3 dc

Between corners work:

- 3 dc cluster

Join with sl st.

Round 3 – Begin Reindeer Placement

Continue granny-square increases.

Work standard granny-square corners:

- 3 dc
- Ch 2
- 3 dc

Place stitch markers in the center section where the reindeer face will be created.

The middle third of the square becomes the motif area.

Round 4 – Form the Lower Face

In the center section:

Work:

- 5 dc
- Ch 1
- 5 dc

This creates the lower muzzle area.

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Continue granny-square pattern around remaining sides.

Join.

Round 5 – Shape the Muzzle

Center motif:

- Dc decrease
- 3 dc
- Dc decrease

On each side:

- Ch 2 arches

This gently narrows the face.

Continue normal granny-square stitches around the border.

Round 6 – Add the Nose

At center:

Work 1 popcorn stitch.

Popcorn Stitch:

- 5 dc in same stitch
- Remove hook
- Insert hook into first dc
- Pull loop through

This raised stitch forms the nose.

Work:

- Ch 1
- Popcorn stitch

for additional texture if desired.

Detailed Guide to Crocheting the Stag's Head Motif

Introduction:

This detailed tutorial guides you through the complex stag head motif, breaking down the central head and the surrounding trellis-work, with insights on reading the chart.

Master Symbol Chart



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Round 7 – Create the Eyes

Locate positions approximately 3 rows above the nose.

Work:

- 1 popcorn stitch
- Skip 2 sts
- 1 popcorn stitch

The eyes should be symmetrical.

Continue square increases around outer edges.

Round 8 – Build the Head

Using dc stitches:

- Increase gradually outward from eyes.
- Work 2 dc together at edges to create gentle shaping.

The head should become slightly wider than the muzzle.

Round 9 – Form the Ears

On each side of the head:

Work:

- Ch 5
- 5 tr into ear base
- Ch 5
- Sl st

This creates one ear.

Repeat on opposite side.

Round 10 – Begin Antlers

Above each ear:

Work:

- Ch 7
- Tr into base
- Ch 5
- Tr

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Repeat to create branching sections.

The antlers should curve outward.

Round 11 – Expand Antlers

For each branch:

Work:

- 7 tr fan
- Ch 3
- Sl st

Repeat for all branches shown in the design.

Mirror the opposite side carefully.

Round 12 – Decorative Upper Motifs

Between antlers:

Work fan motifs:

- Sc
- Ch 5
- 7 tr
- Ch 5
- Sc

Repeat across the top section.

These motifs replicate the decorative chart elements.

Round 13 – Complete Square Shape

Continue granny-square construction.

In each corner:

- 3 dc
- Ch 2
- 3 dc

Along sides:

- 3 dc in each space

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Continue until desired size is reached.

Round 14 – Border Round

Work:

- Sc in every stitch
- 3 sc in each corner

Join with sl st.

Round 15 – Decorative Edge

Optional festive edging:

In each stitch:

- Sc
- Ch 3
- Sc

Repeat around.

Join and fasten off.

Finishing

Weave in Ends

Use a yarn needle to secure all yarn tails.

Block the Square

- Wet block or steam block.
- Shape antlers carefully.
- Pin corners evenly.
- Allow to dry completely.

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Assembly Ideas

Use multiple squares to create:

- Christmas afghan
- Holiday pillow cover
- Table runner
- Wall hanging
- Tree skirt
- Festive tote bag
- Winter cabin blanket

The finished square features a stylized reindeer face, textured nose and eyes, decorative antlers, and classic granny-square construction, making it both festive and easy to combine with other holiday-themed squares. 