

ESSS 2020 KAL/CAL Blanket – April Squares

All sizes given are based on the following (please adjust for gauge accordingly)

Yarn	Worsted Weight
Gauge	Knit - approx. 20 sts on US 8 = 4" Crochet - 14 sts on I or K hook = 4"
Completed Size of square	12" x 12"

Knit – Basic – Square in a Square

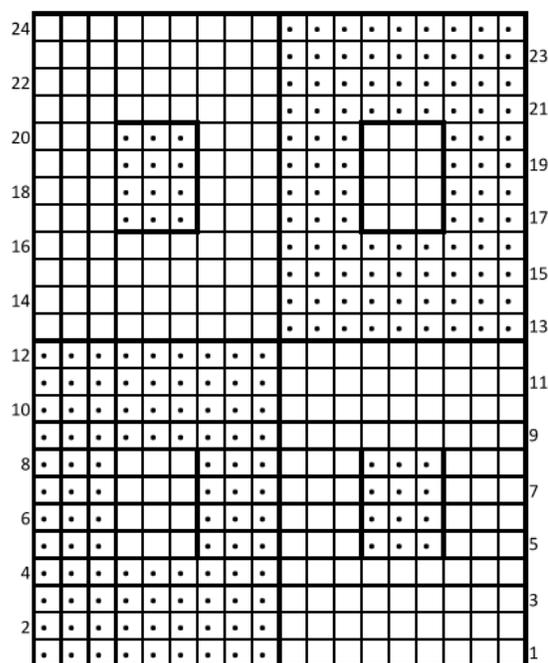
NOTE - Suggest first 6-10 rows are worked straight garter stitch, and a couple of stitches each end of every row are worked as knit stitches to reduce curl but this is optional and are not included in this pattern description.

Cast on 60 sts first and last 3 stitches are garter stitch every row.

Follow the 24 row chart in the middle 54 stitches (3 times)

Repeat chart until work measures 12" square.

Cast off all stitches



Knit – Advanced – Broken Stripes

Made by alternating knit and purl garter stitch in two colors

Multiple of 8+4 – so cast on 60 stitches

1st (RS) and 2nd rows with A K4 [P4, K4] to end

3rd and 4th rows with B K4 [P4, K4] to end

Repeat 4 row pattern until 12" are complete

If you want to change it up add more colors or sections of color changes – have a play with it!

Pattern stitch from Essential Stitch collection page 160

Crochet – Basic – Granny Square

A granny square starts from the middle and is completed in the round

To start chain 5 and slip stitch to join into circle.

R1. Ch3 (counts as DC) 2DC into ring, ch2, [3DC into ring, ch2] three times SS join into third chain of ch3. fasten off

R2. Join yarn into ch2 space and chain 3, 2DC into chain space, ch2 3DC into same chain space, * Ch1, [3DC ch2 3DC into next chain space] rep from * 3 times ch1 and join into third chain of ch3. fasten off

R3. Join yarn into ch2 space and chain 3, 2DC into chain space, ch2 3DC into same chain space, * Ch1, 3DC into ch1 space across side of square until the corner [3DC ch2 3DC into corner chain 2 space] rep from * 3 times until you get to the starting corner ch1 and join into third chain of first ch3. fasten off

[Repeat R3 until piece measures 12" square.](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZHB9652EIYs> this is a link to our friend Edie Eckman showing how to do a granny square

Crochet – Advanced – Granny Square Variation

If you search Granny squares on Ravelry you will find 13,434 results. Of which over 5000 are free patterns, find yourself a granny square pattern and make this for your blanket up to 12"

Cant wait to see what you choose!