



GREEN APPLE PLACEMAT PATTERN

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1. FINISHED SIZE

Units of measurements: 1 inch = 2,54 cm, 1 oz = 28,34 g

This pattern is written for one size. The size of the finished crochet bag depends on the yarn and hook size you use.

My finished hexagonal placemat measures: 30 x 30 cm = 11 7/8 " x 11 7/8 inch, 45 g = 1,58 oz

I used: 113 meter = 123 yard **Scheepjes Catona** Fingering weight yarn

One circles diameter is: 6 cm = approx: 2 3/8 inch, it is approx : 2,4 g = 0,08 oz = 6 meter = 6 yard yarn. You have to crochet 19 small circles.

2. MATERIALS YOU NEED

2.1 Yarns: Scheepjes Catona

link : <http://www.scheepjes.com/en/yarn/catona-25-gram-749/>

100 % Cotton, washable (40), mercerized, yarn weight: Fingering

26 stitches, 36 rows to 10 cm on 2,5 mm needles,

25 g = 0,88 oz – 62,5 meter = 68 yard = 1 skein



color number: 172 Light Silver – 4 circles

you need: 9,6g = 0,33oz = 24 meter = 26 yard

1 skein (25g/skein)



color number: 403 Lemonade – 4 circles

you need: 9,6g = 0,33oz = 24 meter = 26 yard

1 skein (25g/skein)



color number: 105 Bridal White – 2 circles

you need: 4,8g = 0,16oz = 12 meter = 13 yard

1 skein (25g/skein)



color number: 392 Lime Juice – 3 circles
 you need: 7,2g = 0,25oz = 18 meter = 19 yard
 1 skein (25g/skein)



color number: 512 Lime – 6 circles
 you need: 14,4g = 0,50oz = 36 meter = 39 yard
 1 skein (25g/skein)

2.2 Crochet hook, Embroidery needle:

I used Prym hook 2.5 mm. You need embroidery or tapestry needle to sew together the elements. I have used this: Clover Darning Needles with Latch Hook Eye – Clover 3160

3. ABBREVIATIONS USED

(...) = number in parentheses indicates the number of stitches at the end of the round
 ... = repeat instruction x times
 {...} = work the stitches all in same stitch

st(s)	=	stitch(es)	slst	=	slip stitch
rnds	=	rounds	ch	=	chain
sp	=	space(es)	sc	=	single crochet
dc	=	double crochet			

Gauge

The completed placemat will vary in size with different yarns and hooks used. I recommend using the quite same cotton yarn and hook size. A small difference is not a big problem. :)

4. INSTEAD OF "STARTER 3 CHAIN = DC"

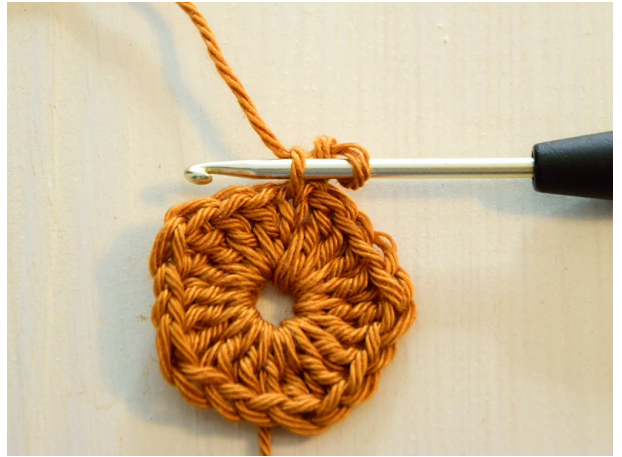
Before you start to crochet this bag, please look through this page. Instead of chaining 3 at the beginning of each row, you'll be working "two single crochet on top of each other." This minimizes the gap usually created by the chains in a row of double crochet. See photos for a tutorial on how to do this technique.

1st Step: (Do not chain.) Insert hook in first double crochet from the previous row.

2nd Step: Complete a normal single crochet.



3rd Step: Insert hook under the front post of single crochet from step 2.



4th Step: Complete normal single crochet again. The resulting double single crochet counts as one dc. 6.



5. THE CIRCLES PATTERN

1st round:

Make a magic or adjustable ring, 3 ch, count as a dc, or "two single crochet on top of each other", 12 dc in ring. Join with a slip stitch. Now you have 13 dc in this round. (13)

2nd round:

Work in back loop only. Make 3 ch, count as a dc, or "two single crochet on top of each other" and another dc into same stitch.

Repeat this 12 times more: *{2dc in back loop only}*

Join with a slip stitch. Now you have $2+2*12=26$ dc in this round. (26)

3rd round:

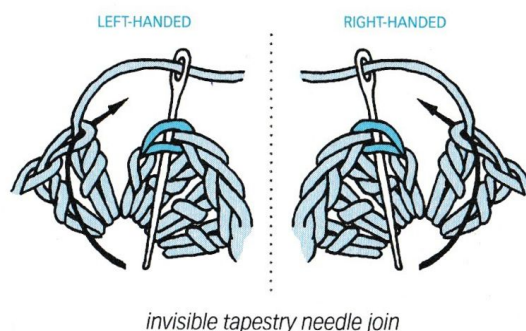
Work in back loop only. Make 3 ch, count as a dc, or "two single crochet on top of each other" and another dc into same stitch. Make a dc.

Repeat this 12 times more: *{2dc in back loop only} and a dc*

Join with a slip stitch. Now you have $3+12*3=39$ dc in this round. (39)

Do not join with a slip stitch.

I recommend: Do not join with a slip stitch. After that, you have to use an embroidery needle to make an invisible end. Complete the last stitch but do not join it to the first stitch. Cut the yarn, leaving at least a 4" (10 cm) long tail, and pull up the loop on the hook until the yarn tail comes through the stitch. Thread the tail onto a needle and insert under both loops of the V at the top of the first stitch of the round. Pull the yarn tail through. Insert the needle from top to bottom back down into the V at the top of the last stitch of the round. Later take extra care to weave in the ends securely.



6. COLOR CODE FOR YOUR PLACEMAT



7. STEAM-BLOCK

Gently **lay your pieces out** on the blocking board. **Spread your piece out** to the correct dimensions without distorting the direction of the stitches. You need to pin in many points to keep the piece flat. Run your palms lightly over the piece to help keep everything smooth and even. Don't worry that you have to stretch the starfish a bit to reach the optimal dimension. **Hold a steam iron over the piece** about 1/2 inch away from the surface. After steaming, let your piece rest and dry for at least 30 minutes.

8. GET IT TOGETHER

You have to sew together the elements with an embroidery or tapestry needle with yarn. Lay the grannies next to each other up to their wrong side according to the "type-code picture". Sew together the final back loops.

ENJOY CROCHETING!

With Love,

Bori