

MATERIALS

1 ball each color or use STASH yarn in different colors (your choice);

- Bernat Handicrafter Crochet Thread Size 5, 100% acrylic, (350 yds);
Light Green—Color A
Light Pink—Color B
- Aunt Lydia's Crochet Thread Fashion Size 3, 100% Mercerized cotton (150 yds);
Yellow—Color C
- 1 Button for closure
- 2 Wire Earring findings
- #4 (1.75mm) steel crochet hook
- Tapestry needle

FINISHED SIZE

Lemon Drop—finished chain lengths equal approximately 28 inches (71 cm) with Granny Square 2 1/4 inches (5.71 cm) square.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg: beginning, **ch:** chain, **dc:** double crochet, **hdc:** half double crochet, **rep:** repeat, **rnd:** round, **sc:** single crochet, **slip st:** slip stitch, **st(s):** stitch(es), **yo:** yarn over

SPECIAL STITCHES

Double Chain Stitch (DCSt): Ch 4, yarn over hook twice, in 4th chain from hook, turn chain towards you slightly and insert hook in back-loop of chain (sometimes called the rib), yarn over once, draw through two loops on hook, yarn over once, draw through last three loops on hook.

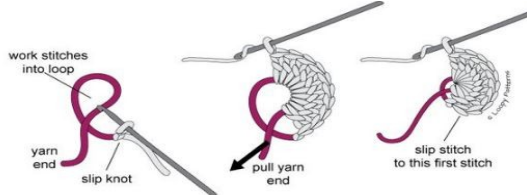
Puff Stitch: 5 half double crochet in space or stitch indicated, remove hook from last half double crochet made and insert in first half double crochet, yarn over once, draw loop through all 5 half double crochet.

V-Stitch: (1 double crochet, 2 chains, 1 double crochet) in stitch or space indicated.

Adjustable Loop: Wrap yarn around finger twice to form a ring, leaving about a 8 inch tail. Insert hook into ring, pull up working end of yarn and pull through ring. Complete the number of chains or stitches in the first round of instruction. Gently pull tail to close ring and complete slip st to beginning stitch.

[Adjustable loop with Kathleen Sams—Red Heart](#)

watch video or see diagram below



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Lemon Drop

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LEMON DROP GRANNY SQUARE

Rnd 1: With Color A, starting with an adjustable loop, ch 2 (*cnts as first hdc*), (**Puff St** (see *Special Stitches*), ch 2) 7 times more, insert hook in top of beg Puff St, drop Color A, draw up Color B with slip st, ch 5. Fasten off Color A. (*8 Puff Sts, 8 ch-2 sps*)

Rnd 2: Dc in same Puff St, *ch 2, (Puff St in next ch-2 sp, ch 2) once more **, work a **V-St** (see *Special Stitches*) in next Puff St; rep from * twice more and from * to ** once more, insert hook in 3rd ch of ch-5, drop Color B, draw up Color C with slip st. Fasten off Color B. (*8 Puff Sts, 4 V-Sts*)

Rnd 3: Slip st into next ch-2 sp, ch 5, dc in same ch-2 sp, ch 2, *(Puff St in next ch-2 sp, ch 2) twice times more **, V-St in next ch-2 sp, ch 2; rep from * twice more and from * to ** once more, slip st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. (*12 Puff Sts, 4 V-Sts*)

Rnd 4: Slip st into next ch-2 sp, ch 2 (counts as first sc), sc twice more in same sp, *evenly sc across to next V-St-ch-2 sp, 3 sc in V-St-ch-2 sp; rep from * around ending with slip st to beg sc. Fasten off Color C.

LEMON DROP CHAINS

With Color C, start with slip knot leaving a tail long enough to sew in later, **Double Chain Stitch (DCSt)** (see *Special Stitches*) 43 DCSt or for length desired. Fasten off.

Repeat twice more for three even lengths of chain. See Assembly of Lemon Drop Chains Instruction.

ASSEMBLY OF LEMON DROP CHAINS INSTRUCTION

Lay the three Lemon Drop chains flat on surface in front of you, sew ends on right together. Sew button on this end.

Sew left side the same as the right. Create a button loop on left end by inserting hook in any end stitch, loop up Color C with sc, ch 16 (or however many chains needed to accommodate the width of button), sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, slip st to beg sc. Fasten off.

See Finishing Instruction.



Weave assembled neck-chain through any corner of Lemon Drop Granny Square.



Try making Lemon Drop in any combination of colors like Granny Rose in Deeper Pinks and a vibrant Blue!



LEMON DROP EARRINGS



Loop up Color A with slip st at base of earring finding, crochet 3 DCSt. Fasten off.



Loop up Color B with slip st to last DCSt made, crochet 3 more DCSt, sc in first Color B DCSt made (*creating a drop*). Fasten off. Repeat.

See Finishing Instruction.

FINISHING INSTRUCTION

Sew in all ends. Blocking is recommended. Taking time to block a finished piece will enhance the project by opening up the stitch pattern, evening out lacework and creating straight, even edges, especially as your tension naturally loosens and tightens as you crochet.