



CROCHET / EASY

Patriotic Granny Bandana

A striped crochet triangle with simple ties in three sizes.

CROCHET PATTERN NEST

Materials & fit

An easy, adjustable granny-style triangle worked from its point upward. Choose patriotic shades, a variegated yarn, or any colors you love. The project photographs show the general look; the written stitch directions guide your piece.



Three possible sizes shown together.

YARN

Medium-weight yarn in navy or blue (A), red-and-white variegated or two alternating shades (B), plus a little red for an optional edge.

TOOLS

5 mm (US H/8) hook, tapestry needle, scissors, and measuring tape.

APPROX. TOP WIDTHS

Small 22 cm / 8.5 in

Medium 33 cm / 13 in

Large 46 cm / 18 in

YARN PLANNING

Allow roughly 70, 110, or 170 yd for small, medium, or large. The amount depends on your yarn and fit.

Abbreviations (US terms)

ch chain **dc** double crochet **sc** single crochet **sl st** slip stitch **sp** space **RS** right side **WS** wrong side **rep** repeat.

FIT BEFORE COUNTING ROWS

Gauge is flexible for this accessory. Measure the straight top edge after a completed row. Stop when it covers the back of the head without reaching too far toward the ears. The ties supply the remaining reach.

Build the first three rows

This independently written version uses a classic granny triangle. Each three-double-crochet group is separated by one chain; the center turn always has **ch 2**. Turn at the end of every row.

FOUNDATION

With color A, **ch 4** and sl st in the first chain to make a small ring. Leave a tail long enough to secure the center neatly.

ROW 1 / TWO GROUPS

Ch 3 (counts as the first dc), 2 dc in the ring, ch 2, 3 dc in the ring. Turn. You have two 3-dc groups separated by the center ch-2 opening.

ROW 2 / FOUR GROUPS

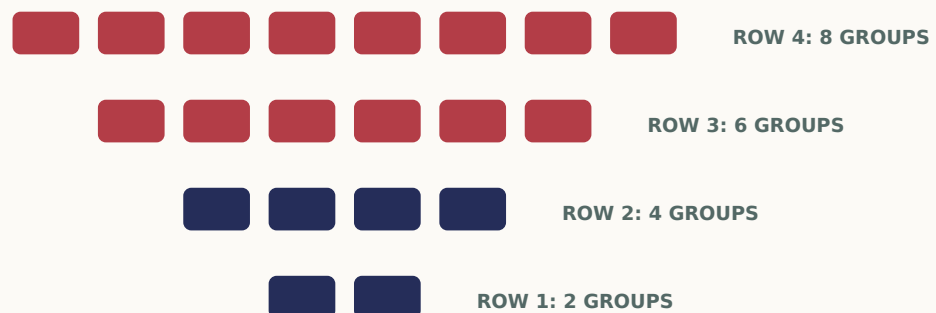
Ch 3 and make 2 dc in the first stitch, ch 1; (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the center ch-2 opening; ch 1, then 3 dc in the top of the turning chain at the far edge. Turn.

ROW 3 / SIX GROUPS

Ch 3, 2 dc in the first stitch, ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1; (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the center; ch 1, 3 dc in the next ch-1 space, ch 1, 3 dc in the top of the turning chain. Turn.

STITCH PLACEMENT

At the outside corners, work the last group in the top of the previous row's turning chain. If it is hard to see, mark that top chain before turning. The starting ch 3 counts as the first dc of its edge group.



Each new row adds one group on each side of the center.

Repeat the granny row

From row 4 onward, use the same placement rule at either side of the center. Work with color A for a small navy section, then switch to B for the rest of the triangle.

STANDARD ROW

Ch 3, 2 dc in the first stitch, ch 1. Work 3 dc in every ch-1 space up to the center, placing ch 1 between groups. In the center ch-2 space work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc). Ch 1. Work 3 dc in every ch-1 space on the other side, with ch 1 between groups. Finish with 3 dc in the top of the far turning chain. Turn.

Size by measurement

SMALL

about 22 cm / 8.5 in

About 25 cm ties

MEDIUM

about 33 cm / 13 in

About 30 cm ties

LARGE

about 46 cm / 18 in

About 35 cm ties

Measure the longest straight edge while the triangle lies flat. Rows vary with yarn and tension; use width, not a fixed row count, as your stopping point. Each row has two more 3-dc groups than the row before it.

Color sequence

For a navy center area, work approximately 2 rows in A for small, 3 for medium, or 4 for large. Join B on the final yarn-over of the last dc so the next row begins cleanly. If using separate red and white yarns, alternate colors every row or two. A variegated yarn makes the arrangement organic, as in the photos.

CHANGE COLORS NEATLY

Finish the final dc until only two loops remain on the hook. Yarn over with the new color and draw through both loops. Carry short tails along an edge to weave in later; do not knot at the middle opening.

Finish the top edge

When the straight top edge fits, fasten off the triangle yarn. The ties are crocheted into a single tidy top edging, so they can be adjusted for the wearer.

TIE AND EDGING

With the RS facing you, join your edging color at one top corner. Chain until the first tie measures about **25 / 30 / 35 cm** for small / medium / large (roughly 45 / 55 / 65 chains at the sample tension). Sl st back along the chain to the corner.

Now sc evenly across the straight top edge, placing stitches into the row ends without pulling the fabric tight. At the other top corner, make a second chain of the **same length**. Sl st back along that chain, sl st into the corner and fasten off.

OPTIONAL CONTRAST EDGE

For a narrow red outline, join red yarn at one top corner and sc evenly down the sloping side. Work 2 sc at the point, then sc up the other sloping side. Fasten off without working over the top edging again.



FINAL CHECKS

Weave in every tail securely. Lightly steam or wet-block to relax the clusters. Lay the piece flat to check the center point and both tie lengths. Try it on before trimming the last tail.

The sample photo is a visual guide; color placement changes naturally with yarn choice and size.

Quick reference

SHAPE

Point-up granny triangle; 3-dc groups, ch-1 gaps, ch-2 center.

INCREASE

Add one 3-dc group at each side on every new row.

FIT

Stop when the straight top edge reaches your preferred width.

FINISH

Work two equal chain-and-slip-stitch ties plus a relaxed sc top edge.

Helpful reminders

The center leans: Check that each corner goes into the same ch-2 opening.

An edge is uneven: Count the first ch 3 as a dc and use the top of that chain at the far end.

The top puckers: Add a few more sc across it or work them more loosely.

The ties differ: Count the chains before working back with slip stitches.

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