



## Wheel Spoke Square

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A wheel-style centre adds an interesting focal point to this solid crochet square.



### Materials and Equipment

- Worsted weight yarn (American)/ DK (UK)/ 8ply (Aust)
- 4.5 mm/US 7 Hook

### Abbreviations

Note: Pattern uses American terminology

| American                  | British                   |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| slip stitch (sl st)       | single crochet (sc)       |
| single crochet (sc)       | double crochet (dc)       |
| half double crochet (hdc) | half treble crochet (htc) |
| double crochet (dc)       | treble (tr)               |

Special stitch:FPdc: front post double crochet (yarn over, insert hook around post of stitch from right to left, yarn over, complete DC as usual)

### Instructions

Note: *The pattern is for the single-coloured wheel spoke square (see photos below). It is recommended that one square be made using the single-coloured pattern before attempting the multi-coloured pattern. The instructions for the multi-coloured square are found in the Variations section at the end of the single-colour pattern instructions.*



Chain(ch) 4. Join with sl st to form circle.

**Round 1:** Ch 3. 11 dc in the circle Join with sl st to top of ch (12 sts).

**Round 2:** Ch 2, FPdc around the post of the same st; \*dc in next st, FPdc around the post of the same st\*; repeat \* to \* around. Join with sl st in top of ch. (24 sts)

**Round 3:** Ch 2, dc in next st, FPdc around the post of the same st;\* dc in next 2 sts; FPdc around the post of the same st as second dc;\* repeat \* to \* around. Join with sl st in top of ch (36 sts)

**Round 4:** Starting the square: Ch 2, hdc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, 3 dc in next st (1st corner);\* hdc in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, 3 dc in next st\* (2nd corner); repeat \* to \* 2 more times, Join with sl st in top of ch. (44 sts)

*Note: On the square, the ch 2 does not start at the corner*

**Round 5:** Square: Ch 2, hdc in next 8 sts, (2hdc, ch1, 2hdc) in next st(corner);\* hdc in next 10 sts, (2hdc,ch1,2hdc) in next st\*; repeat from \* to \* 2 more times, hdc in next st; Join with sl st in top of ch (56 hdc , 4 ch st)

**Round 6:** Ch 2, \*hdc in each st up to ch sp, (2hdc, ch1, 2hdc) in ch space\*; \*repeat \* to \* 3 more times. Join with sl st in top of ch (68 sts)

**Next rounds:** Repeat round 6 until square measures 20 cm (8") across.

Weave in yarn end.

Leave a 50 cm/20" tail (for sewing the squares together). Butterfly\* the tail to the square.

*\*How to 'butterfly the tail' is as easy as 1, 2, 3 . Use contrasting yarn and follow the directions:*





## Variations

*Changing colours in round 2 make the spokes of the wheel show even more prominently*



## Instructions

With Colour A, ch 4. Join with sl st to form circle.

**Round 1:** Ch 3. 11 dc in the circle. Change to colour B. Join with sl st to top of ch (12 sts).

**Round 2:** With colour B, ch 3, Change to colour A and FPdc in same st; \*change to B, dc in next st, Change to A, FPdc in same st \*. Repeat \* to \* around. In last FPDC change to colour B. Join with sl st in top of ch (24 sts)

**Round 3:** Ch 2, dc in next st, Change to colour A and FPdc in same st, change to Colour B;\* dc in next 2 sts; change to Colour A and FPdc in same st as second hdc, change to Colour B;\* repeat \* to \* around. Join with sl st in top of ch (36 sts)

**Next rounds:** To finish the square, follow the solid colour pattern for **round 4 onwards**.

Change or add colours as often as you like.

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