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# Emoji Square Shorts

One Size



**Yarn** 300g total, Cotton yarn, with 200g for background colour

Eg Paintbox Yarns Cotton DK, 50g, 125m (137yds)  
or  
Scheepjes Catona, Cotton, 4 Ply, 25g (0.9oz), 62m (68yds)

**Equipment** 4mm crochet hook

Large eye needle  
Stitch Markers

**Extras** 30mm Elastic  
OR  
Waist ties

**Tension** 18 dc x 9 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm

## US Crochet Terms

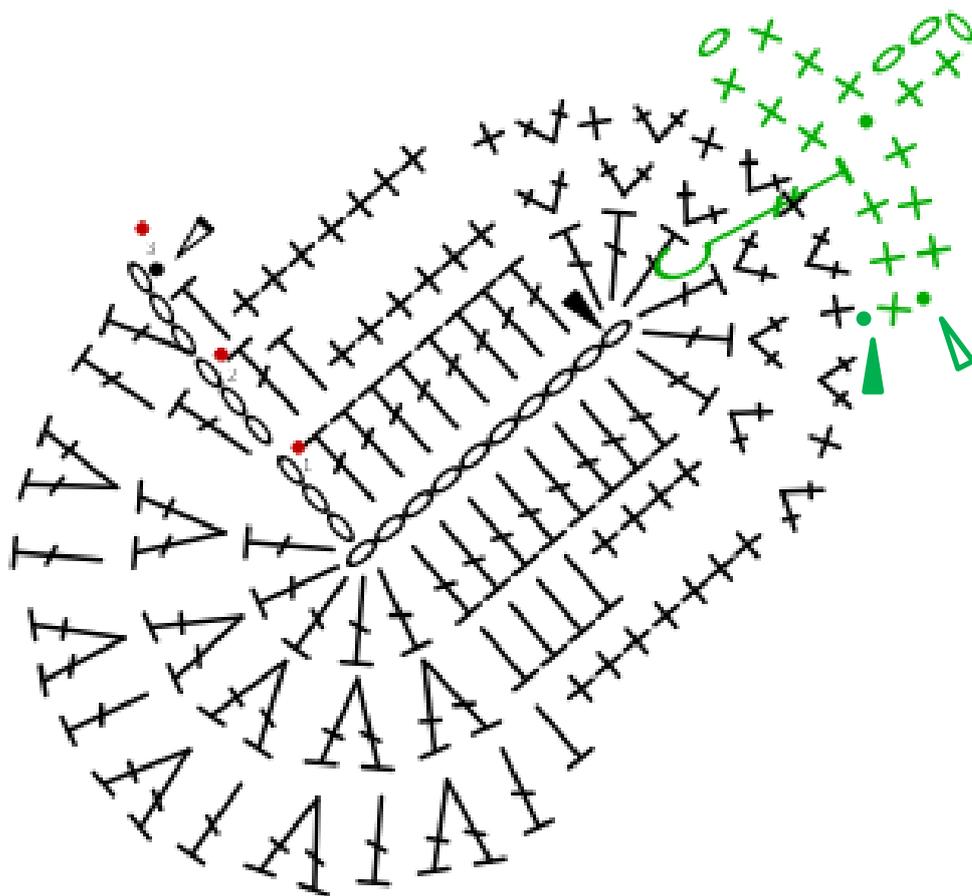
<b>Abbrevs:</b>	ch	chain	sk	skip	ch 3 and ch2 turns count as a stitch
	sc	single crochet	yo	yarn over	ch 1 turns do not count as a stitch
	dc	double crochet	rpt	repeat	
	tr	triple crochet	st	stitch	
	fptr	Front Post triple	spc	space	
	blosc	back loop only sc	( )	Instructions	
	sl st	slip stitch	[ ]	guidance	

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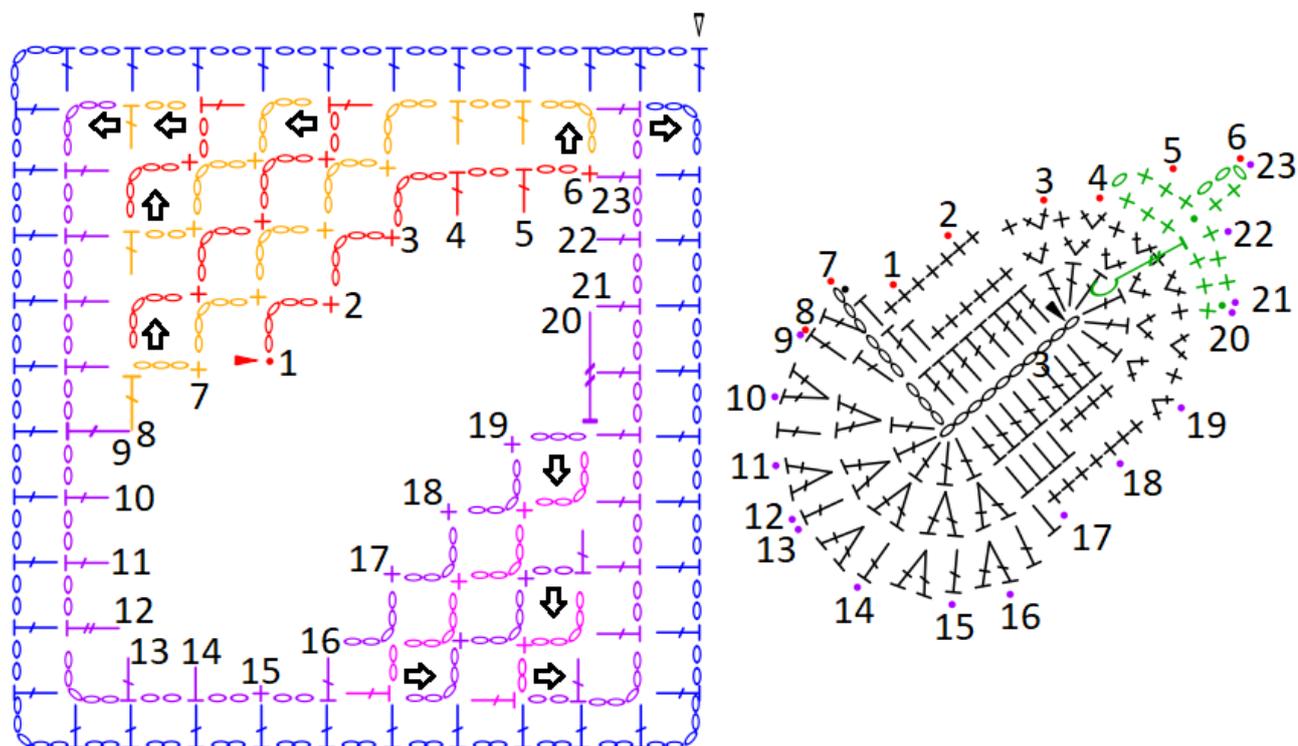
# Eggplant Square

Make 26

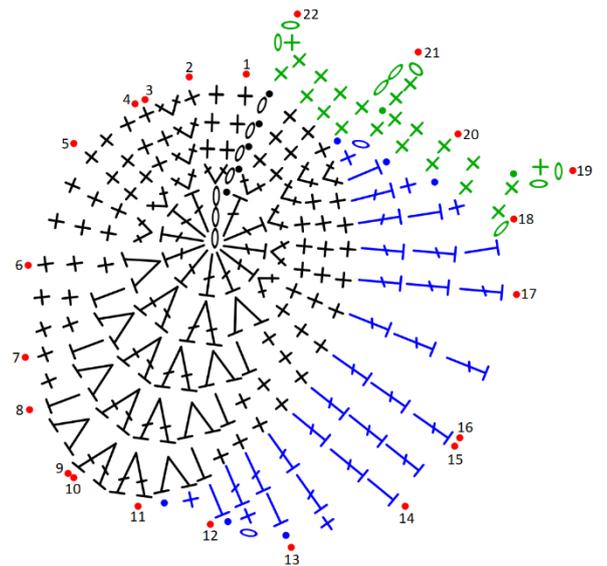
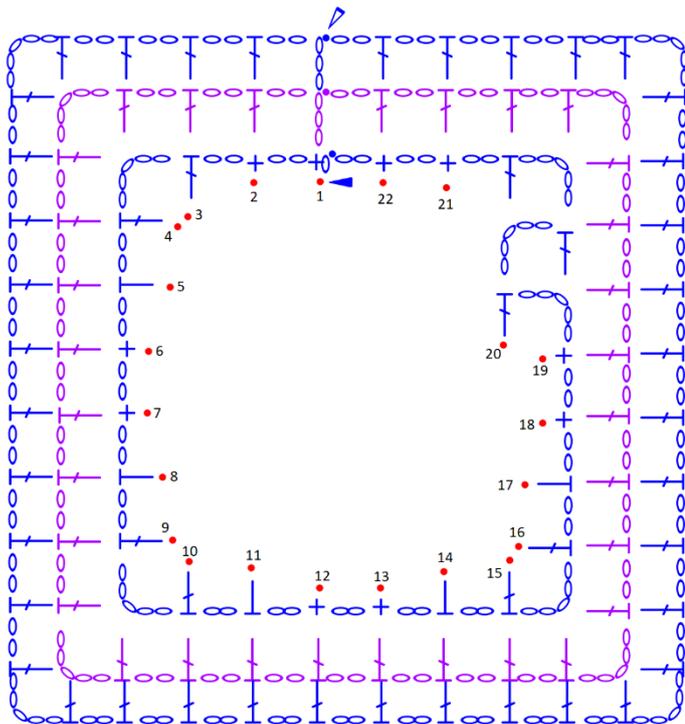
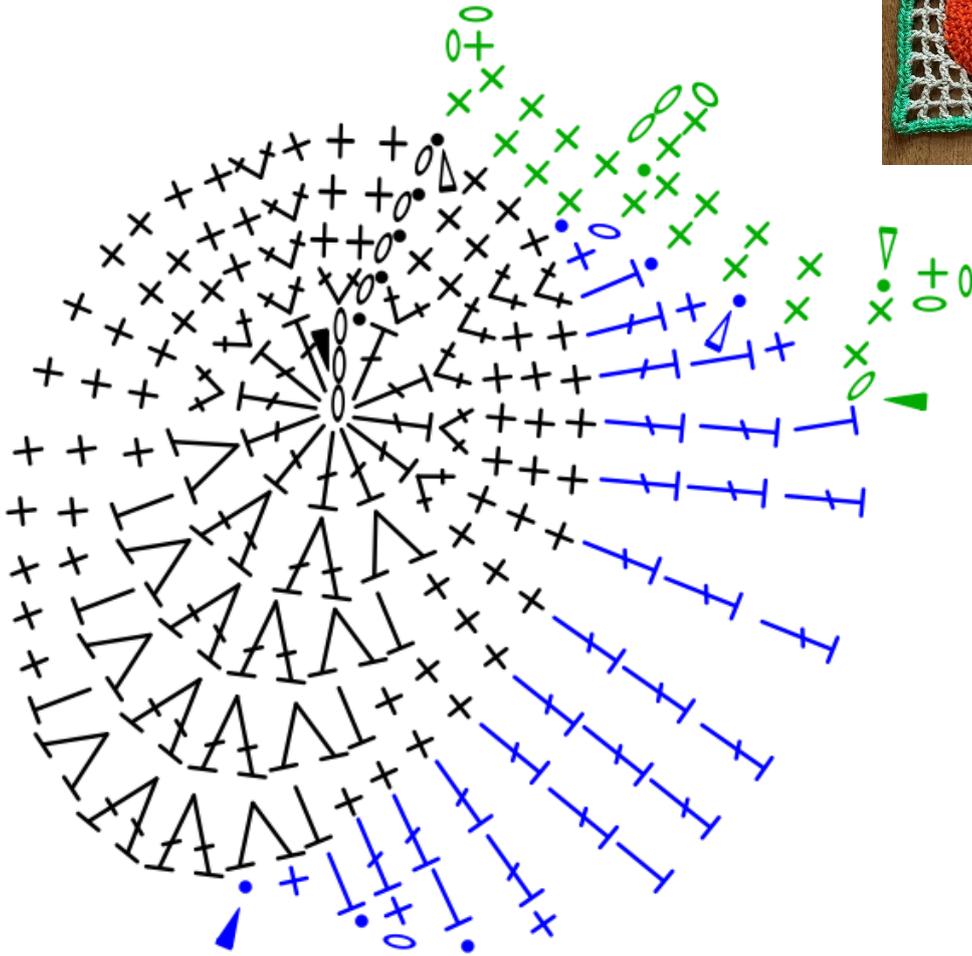
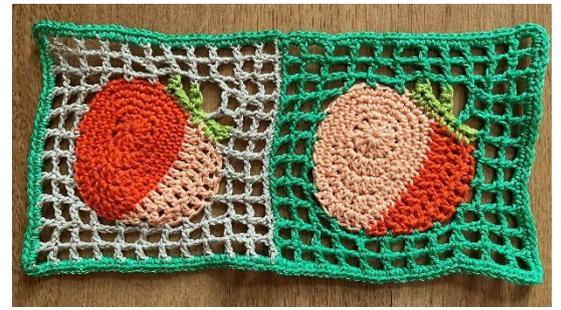
-  Slip Stitch
-  Chain
-  Single Crochet
-  Half Double Crochet
-  Double Crochet
-  Triple Crochet
-  Front Post Triple Crochet
-  2 sc in same stitch
-  2 dc in same stitch
-  Start
-  End



Using Mesh colour, join yarn at number 1 on the eggplant body. Follow the stitch info on the chart and join to the egg plant where the numbers indicate. Different colours are used in the chart to help distinguish rows.

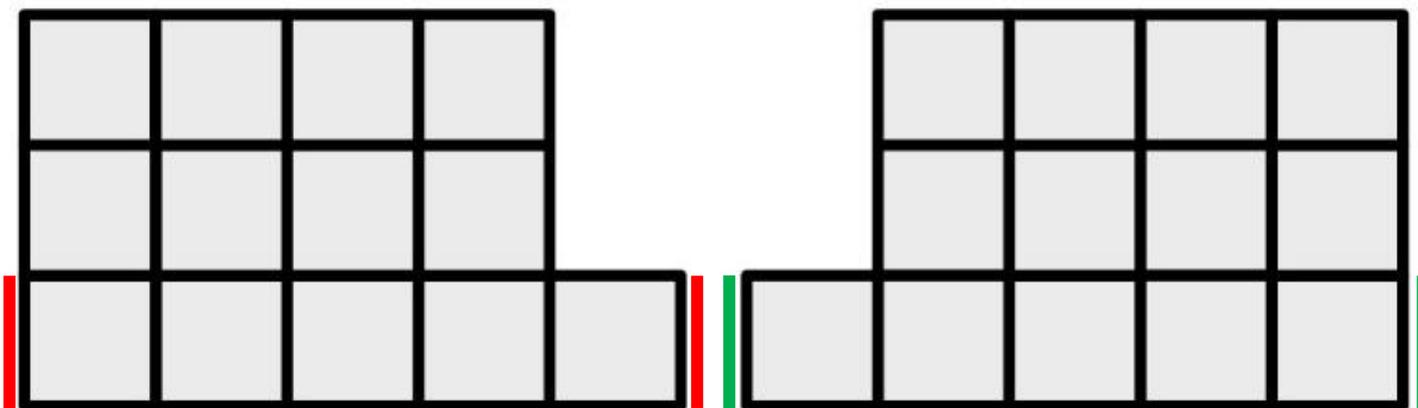


# Peach Square



## Joining Squares

Sew squares together to create two legs



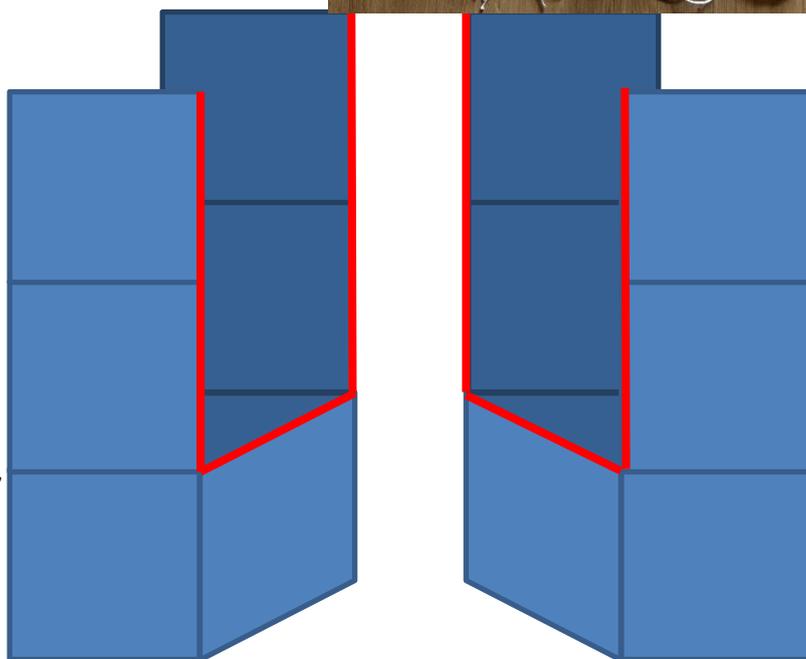
Join red line to red line to form a tube, and repeat by joining green line to green line.



Now join from back to front, following the red line, and you have the basic shorts shape.

Finish each leg with a single round of sc stitches, or whatever number of rounds you think looks good.

Attach yarn at one of the joins between squares, Ch 1, then place one sc in each dc stitch, 2 sc in each 2 ch space, and one sc in each join. Slip stitch join to start



## Waistband and Fitting

Unfinished, each square is about 15 cm/6 inches wide, making the waistband about 122 cm/48 inches (extra comes from the joins and stretch).

To make the waistband fit you will need to add pleats. These are simple folds held in place by a round of crochet

If you overlap 6 spaces in a zig-zag you are reducing the waistline size by 5 cm /2 inches, so add as many pleats as you need.

Either space the pleats evenly around the waistband, or cluster together to create more shape.

Also consider increasing the size of the pleats to achieve your waist size.



Now you have the waist size set, attach yarn that is the same as the squares background in the centre of the back.

ch 1

sc round waistband, placing two sc in each 2 ch space ONLY [Do not add sc to the dcs as this stretches out the waistband].

When you reach a pleat, sc through all three layers to hold the pleat in place.

sl st join to start

*Tie waist*

R 1: ch 3, dc round waistband, sl st join to start

R 2: rpt R 1

Repeat R 1 if you want a wider waist channel or will use a thicker tie

R 3: ch 1, sc round waistband, sl st join to start

Tie off and Cut yarn

Re-join yarn to the centre of the front of the shorts,

R 4: ch 1, blocsc round waistband, sl st join to start,

R 5: ch 3, dc round waistband, DO NOT join to start, turn [this creates a hole for the ties to come out of, like this picture shows on a different design]

R 6: ch 3, dc round waistband, sl st join to start

R 7: ch 1, sc round waistband, sl st join to start

Tie off and cut yarn

Place the tie you intend to use around the inside of the waistband

Fold over the top half of the waistband channel so the tie is covered. Ensure the ends of the tie come out of the space you have created in R 5 and R 6.

Now hand sew the waistband channel closed by matching stitch for stitch and ensuring the tie is covered and secure



*Elastic waist*

R 1: ch 3, dc round waistband, sl st join to start

R 2: rpt R 1

Repeat R 1 until the waistband is wide enough to cover your piece of elastic

I used 30mm wide elastic and had a dc row, sc row, dc row combination

R 3: ch 1, sc round waistband, sl st join to start

R 4: ch 1, blosc round waistband, sl st join to start,

R 5 – to end: repeat the same combination of rows you used for the outside of the waistband.



With the elastic, measure a length that is 3cm / 1 inch shorter than your waist size. Then overlap another 3cm / 1 inch and sew the ends together.



Place the elastic inside the waistband and fold over the waistband channel.

Hand sew the waistband channel closed by matching stitch for stitch and ensuring the elastic is covered and secure.

The waistband you design could easily be added to the legs as well.

Now tie in all the loose ends. And enjoy your new mesh shorts.