



## Welcome back to Day 4!

This is a fun stitch pattern that results in a criss-cross square pattern. It is similar to one called the Drunken Granny, hence the fun name. If you are looking for other patterns using this stitch, it is actually called the SideSaddle stitch. Enjoy!

### Special Stitches:

**Double Crochet 4 Together (DC4TOG)** - This is a type of cluster stitch which is worked over 4 stitches in the starting chain, and then into chain spaces for every other row. To make it, YO and insert your hook into the first indicated stitch or space, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through two loops. Repeat this in each of the next 3 stitches (or if working into a chain space, repeat 3 more times). You should have 5 loops on your hook. YO and draw through all 5 loops.

### Pattern Notes:

We are working this one flat and seaming it up - working row 1 into the back bar or bumps of your chain will give you more defined stitches to crochet together at the end. The use of stitch markers where indicated (PM = Place Marker) will help a lot for this pattern.

### Pattern Instructions:

#### CH 17

**Row 1** - Working into your back bar, SC into the 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook (PM), \*CH3, DC4TOG over next 4 chains, CH1, and SC in next chain. Repeat from \* to the end, **CH3** (PM around this CH3) & turn (3 DC4TOG clusters, 4 SC, 3 CH3 spaces)

**Row 2** - Ignoring the SC and CH1 from the previous row, \*SC on top of DC4TOG, then CH3 and DC4TOG into next CH3 space, CH1. Repeat from \* to last stitch, DC in the last stitch (a SC). **CH1** & turn (3 DC4TOG clusters, 4 SC, 3 CH3 spaces, 1 DC)

**Row 3** - Ignoring the DC and CH1 from the previous row, \*SC on top of DC4TOG (PM), CH3, DC4TOG into next CH3 space, and CH1. Repeat from \* to the end. SC around the marked CH3 (the turning chain from row 2).

**CH3** (PM around this CH3) & turn,

**Repeat rows 2 & 3** until your fabric can fit around your bauble with a bit of stretch. My sample has 13 rows. Check fit after row 12 and do extra rows if needed. Weave in the tail from your starting chain, and proceed to assembly instructions.



### Assembly Instructions:

Fold short sides together and SLST through the inside loops (BLO of the side closest to you, and FLO of the side farthest away from you) to create a tube. **\*\* NOTE:** Your starting chain will have 16 stitches while your last row will have more than that. A good stitch to skip is the first chain of the CH3 - use stitch markers to mark the stitches you plan to skip over. (see image below)



Flip your tube right side out. CH1, and evenly space 12 SC around the end of this tube. Cut a long tail, weave it through each stitch and cinch tight to close. FO and weave in your tail.

Insert your bauble (you may need to stretch the fabric to get your bauble inside) and tighten the top by attaching a long piece of yarn to a yarn needle and weaving it around the top of your bauble. Cinch to tighten by tying the two ends together securely. Weave in both tails.

**Finishing** - Replace the metal top of your bauble and decorate as you desire with ribbon, moss or greenery.