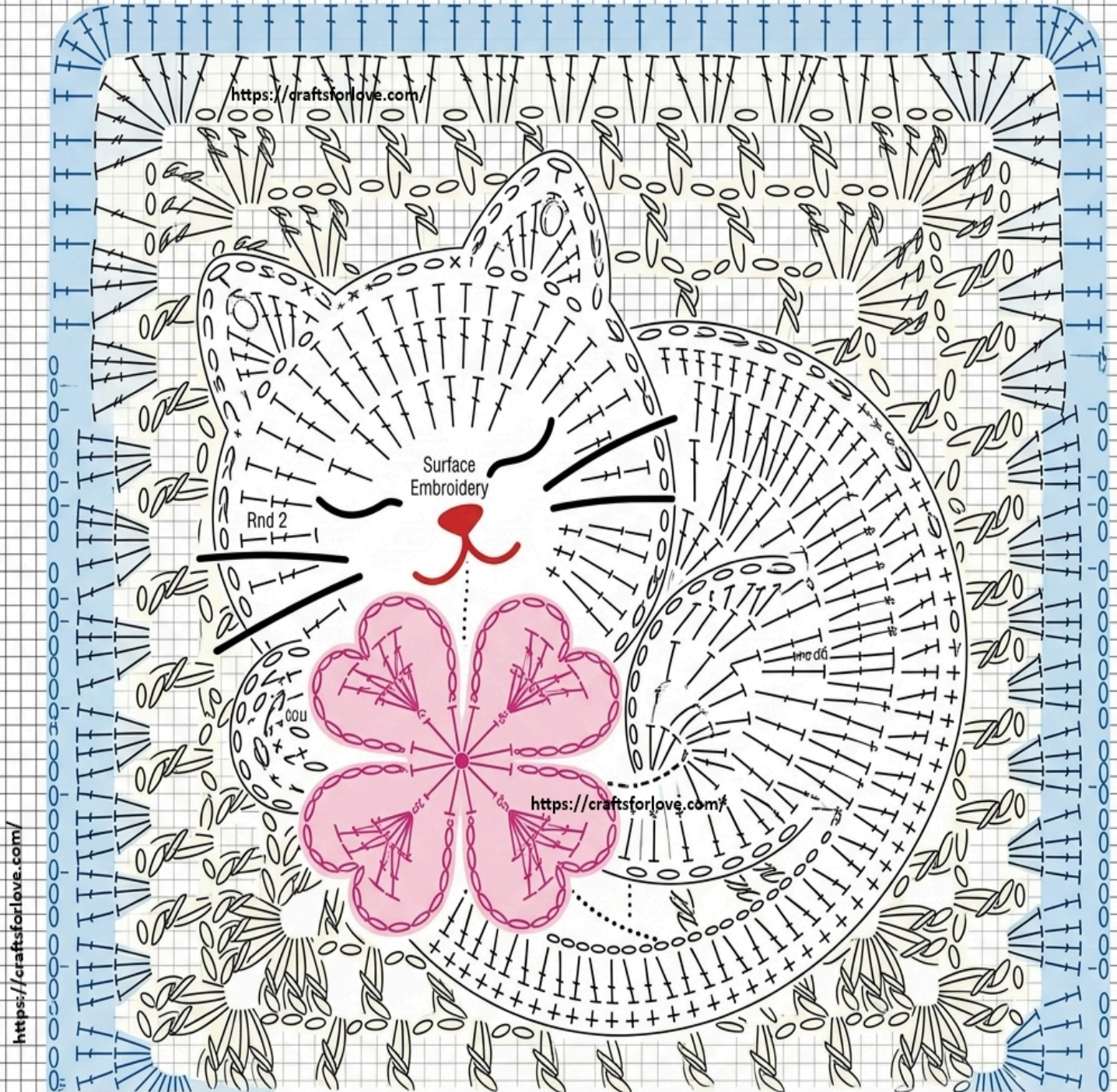


# 🐱 Crochet Sleeping Cat Granny Square Pattern Tutorial



## Symbol Key

○ Chain (ch)	× Single Crochet (sc)	T Double Crochet (sc)	○ Popcorn Stitch (pop)	∇ Increase (inc)
• Slip Stitch (sl st)	x Half Double Crochet (hdc)	∓ Double Crochet (dc)	∨ Cluster (clu)	◁ Decrease (dec)
	∓ Double Crochet (dc)	∓ Treble Crochet (tr)	△ Increase (inc)	..... Surface Embroidery

# ♥ CROCHET TUTORIAL & CHART: SLEEPING CAT APPLIQUÉ SQUARE ♥

Step-by-step instructions, stitch guide (US terms), and chart to make this sweet square!



## MATERIALS

- Worsted Weight Yarn (4 colors)
  - A: Cat (cream)
  - B: Flower (pink/magenta)
  - C: Border (denim blue)
  - D: Nose (red) & Embroidery (black for eyes/whiskers)
- Crochet Hook: 4.0 mm (G)
- Yarn Needle, Scissors, Stitch Markers (optional)

## KEY – US CROCHET TERMS

- ch = chain
- sl st = slip stitch
- × sc = single crochet
- ┆ hdc = half double crochet
- ┆ dc = double crochet
- ┆ tr = treble crochet
- ┆ dc3tog = double crochet 3 together

## GAUGE (SWATCH)



After Round 2 (before border):  
4" (10 cm) square  
= approx. 14 dc and 7 rows

Note: Gauge is not critical, but keep stitches even.

## PART 1 – THE CAT APPLIQUÉ (MAKE 1)

### 1. MAGIC RING & CENTER



Make a magic ring.  
**Round 1:** Ch 2 (does not count as a stitch), 6 dc into ring. Pull tail to close. Join with sl st to top of first dc. (6 dc)

### 2. INCREASE ROUND



**Round 2:** Ch 2, 2 dc in each stitch around. Join. (12 dc)

### 3. MORE INCREASES



**Round 3:** Ch 2, (dc in next stitch, 2 dc in next) around. Join. (18 dc)

### 4. BUILD THE FACE



**Round 4:** Ch 2, (dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next) around. Join. (24 dc)  
**Round 5:** Ch 2, dc in 6 & 6 sts, each stitch around. Join. (24 dc)

### 5. SHAPE THE EARS



Position for ears at the top of the circle.  
**Ear (make 2):** Ch 3, in 3rd ch from hook make (sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc), sl st into head.

### 6. FINISH THE CAT



**Round 6:** Ch 1, sc around the head and down the side of the body. Continue to Round 10, placing decreases to form a curled tail. Fasten off, weave in ends.

## PART 2 – THE FLOWER (MAKE 1)

### 1. MAGIC RING



Make a magic ring.  
**Round 1:** Ch 1, 6 sc into ring. Join. (6 sc)

### 2. PETALS (ROUND 2)



Ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, dc) in same st. \*Skip next st, sl st in next st, (dc, ch 2, dc) in same st.\* Repeat from \* around (6 petals). Fasten off.

### 3. SHAPE PETALS



Use yarn needle to gently pull each petal loop forward to shape. Weave in ends.

### 4. ATTACH FLOWER



Place on the cat's belly. Sew with yarn needle through the center stitches.

## EMBROIDERY DETAILS



- Eyes: With black yarn, embroider 2 closed eyes (straight or slightly curved lines).
- Whiskers: 3 straight lines on each side.
- Nose: With red yarn, embroider a small triangle.
- Mouth: With red yarn, stitch a small "Y" under the nose.

## PART 3 – THE LACE BACKGROUND (MAKE 1)

(Background is worked in rounds behind the cat before adding the border)

### 1. ROUND 1



Join yarn behind the cat (at top left corner area). Ch 5 (counts as dc + ch 2), dc in same space, \*ch 2, dc in next space\* around. Join. (4 corners and 4 sides made)

### 2. ROUND 2



Ch 5 (counts as dc + ch 2), (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner space. \*Ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc.\* Rep around, ending with (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner. Join.

### 3. ROUND 3



Ch 5, (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner. \*Ch 2, dc in next dc\* Rep around. Join.

### 4. ROUND 4 (OPTIONAL)



Repeat Round 3 once more for a larger square, or stop here for a smaller square.



## PART 4 – THE BORDER (DENIM BLUE)

### 1. JOIN YARN



Join blue yarn in any corner with sl st. Ch 1.

### 2. ROUND 1 (BORDER)



Sc evenly around. In each corner space: (sc, ch 2, sc). Join. Join.

### 3. ROUND 2



Ch 3 (counts as dc). Dc in each sc around. In corners: (dc, ch 2, dc). Join.

### 4. ROUND 3 (FINISH)



Ch 1, sc in each dc around. In corners: (sc, ch 2, sc). Join and fasten off. Join.

## FINISHED!



Weave in all ends. Block gently to even the square.

Enjoy your Sleeping Cat Appliqué Square!

## ABBREVIATIONS (US TERMS)

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tr = treble crochet | dc3tog = double crochet 3 together | st(s) = stitch(es) | sp = space | rep = repeat

## TIPS

- Keep stitches even, especially on the lace rounds.
- Count your stitches at the end of each round.
- Block the square for a professional finish.

## SIZE (APPROX.)

Using worsted yarn & 4.0 mm hook:  
About 6.5"-7" (16-18 cm) square.



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This adorable Sleeping Cat Granny Square combines a cute curled-up cat appliqué with a floral embellishment and a decorative square border. Based on the crochet chart provided, this tutorial follows the structure and stitch placement shown in the diagram as closely as possible while explaining every step in clear American crochet terms.

## Materials Needed

- Worsted weight cotton yarn or acrylic yarn
- Main Cat Color (white, cream, gray, or desired color)
- Flower Color (pink)
- Border Color (light blue)
- Crochet hook 3.5 mm to 4.5 mm
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Black embroidery thread
- Pink embroidery thread

## Crochet Abbreviations (US Terms)

- ch = chain
- sl st = slip stitch
- sc = single crochet
- hdc = half double crochet
- dc = double crochet
- tr = treble crochet
- inc = increase
- pop = popcorn stitch
- clu = cluster stitch

## Create the Cat Body

The cat body is worked first as a large spiral circle that gradually forms the curled sleeping position.

### Round 1

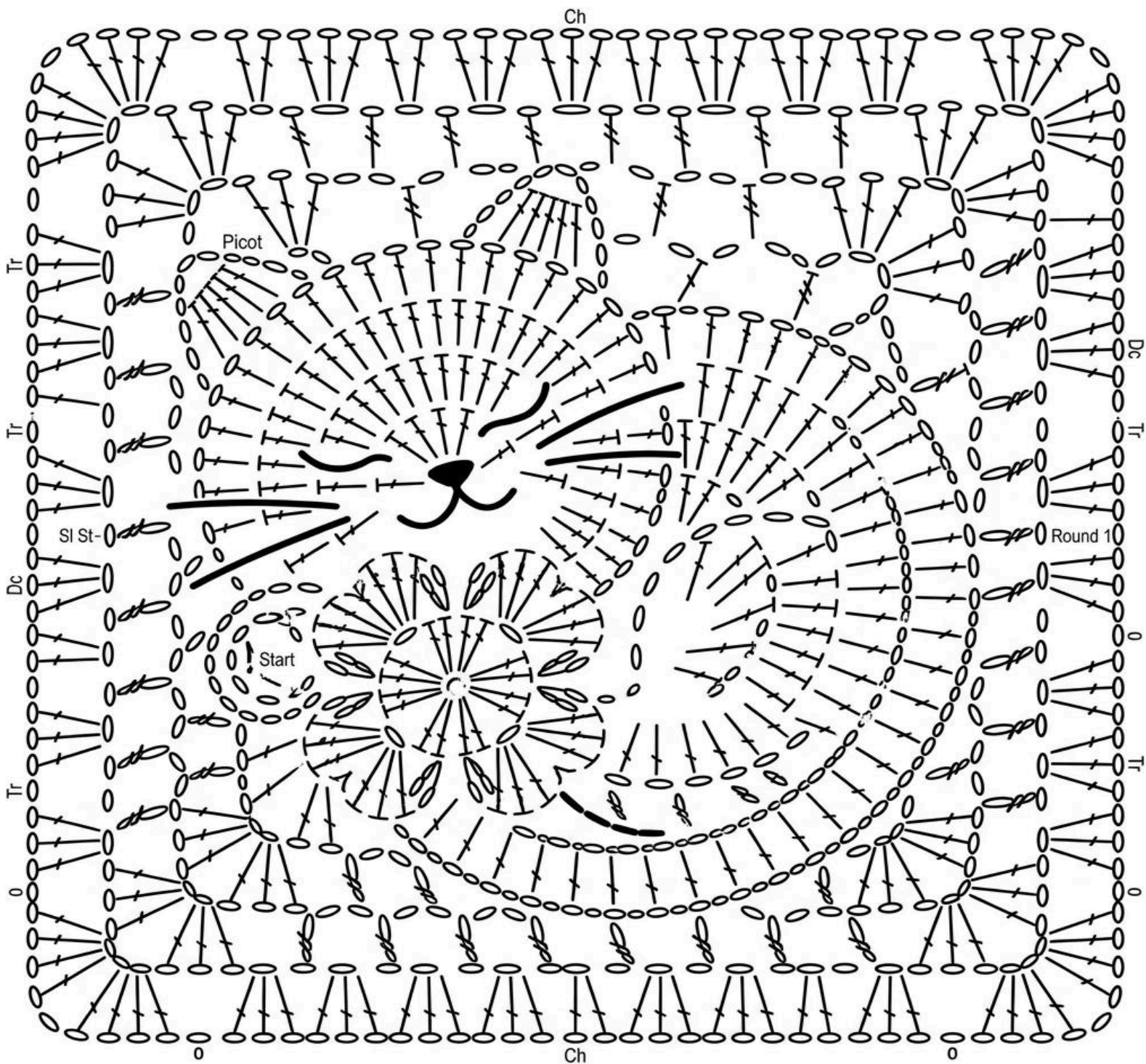
Make a magic ring.

Work:

- Ch 3 (counts as first dc)
- 11 dc into ring

Join with sl st.

Total: 12 dc



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## **Round 2**

Ch 3.

Work 2 dc in each stitch around.

Join.

Total: 24 dc

## **Round 3**

Ch 3.

Work:

- 1 dc in first stitch
- 2 dc in next stitch

Repeat around.

Join.

Total: 36 dc

## **Round 4**

Work:

- 2 dc
- Increase

Repeat around.

Join.

Total: 48 dc

## **Round 5**

Work:

- 3 dc
- Increase

Repeat around.

Join.

## **Round 6**

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Work:

- 4 dc
- Increase

Repeat around.

Join.

## **Round 7**

Work:

- 5 dc
- Increase

Repeat around.

Join.

The body should now be forming a large rounded shape.

## **Shape the Curled Tail**

The chart shows the tail wrapping inward toward the center.

### **Tail Round 1**

Continue from the body without fastening off.

Work dc stitches around only part of the circle, following the chart's curved pathway.

Decrease slightly at turning areas to help the tail curl naturally.

### **Tail Round 2**

Work another row of dc stitches around the tail section.

Add occasional decreases near the tip.

The tail should taper gradually.

### **Tail Round 3**

Continue reducing stitches as you approach the center spiral.

Finish with a rounded tail tip.

Fasten off.

## Create the Cat Head

The head is worked separately.

### Round 1

Magic ring.

Work 12 dc into ring.

Join.

### Round 2

Increase in every stitch.

Total: 24 dc

### Round 3

Work:

- 1 dc
- Increase

Repeat around.

Total: 36 dc

### Round 4

Work evenly around.

Fasten off leaving a long tail.

## Create the Ears

The chart shows two pointed ears formed directly on top of the head.

### First Ear

Join yarn at top of head.

Work:

- 1 sc
- 1 hdc
- 3 dc

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- 1 hdc
- 1 sc

Form a triangle shape.

## **Second Ear**

Repeat on opposite side.

Fasten off.

## **Attach Head to Body**

Position the head overlapping the upper-left side of the body as shown in the chart.

Using a yarn needle:

- Sew securely
- Keep stitches invisible
- Shape slightly while sewing

The cat should now appear curled and sleeping.

## **Crochet the Flower Appliqué**

The flower sits over the cat's chest area.

### **Flower Center**

Using pink yarn:

Make a magic ring.

Work:

- Ch 1
- 12 sc into ring

Join.

### **Petal Round**

For each petal:

- Ch 3
- 4 dc
- 3 tr
- 4 dc

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- Ch 3
- Sl st into next stitch

Repeat 5 times.

You should have 5 rounded petals.

Fasten off.

## **Add Decorative Petal Outlines**

Using a slightly darker pink:

Surface crochet around each petal.

Work loose chain outlines similar to those shown in the diagram.

Fasten off.

## **Attach Flower**

Place flower over the front section of the cat.

Sew securely through the center only.

Allow petals to remain slightly raised.

## **Create the Granny Square Border**

Join border yarn at one side of the cat.

The chart uses groups of dc stitches separated by chains.

### **Border Round 1**

Work around the entire cat:

- 3 dc cluster
- Ch 2

Repeat around.

At corners:

- 3 dc
- Ch 3
- 3 dc

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Continue around.

Join.

## **Border Round 2**

Work:

- Cluster stitches in each chain space
- Ch 2 between clusters

At corners:

- Cluster
- Ch 3
- Cluster

Join.

## **Border Round 3**

Continue expanding the square.

Maintain:

- Cluster stitches along edges
- Corner spaces with ch-3 openings

The square shape should now be clearly visible.

## **Border Round 4**

Work another decorative round.

Use:

- Cluster stitches
- Chain spaces

Keep corners aligned directly above previous corners.

## **Final Blue Border**

The outer blue round in the chart is made with single crochet.

## **Edge Round**

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Work:

- 1 sc in every stitch across
- 3 sc in each corner chain space

Continue around.

Join with sl st.

Fasten off.

## Embroider the Face

Using black embroidery thread:

### Eyes

Create two gently curved sleeping eyes.

Use backstitch or stem stitch.

### Whiskers

Embroider three whiskers on each side.

Keep them slightly curved.

### Nose and Mouth

Using pink embroidery thread:

- Stitch a small triangle nose
- Add curved mouth lines underneath

This creates the sweet sleeping expression shown in the chart.

## Blocking and Finishing

- Weave in all ends
- Lightly steam block if desired
- Shape ears and tail
- Flatten the square evenly
- Adjust flower petals

Your Sleeping Cat Granny Square is now complete! 🐾🌸 This charming motif can be used for blankets, pillows, tote bags, wall hangings, baby afghans, or combined with multiple squares to create a beautiful cat-themed crochet project.

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