

A few Methods for Joining Squares
Lemonade and Squares Workshop
Saturday, June 22 at the Workshop on Westbriar Drive

Slip Stitch Join

Hold the two pieces together, right sides facing each other. Catch a loop from each piece with a suitably sized crochet hook, draw a loop of “joining” yarn through and slip stitch.

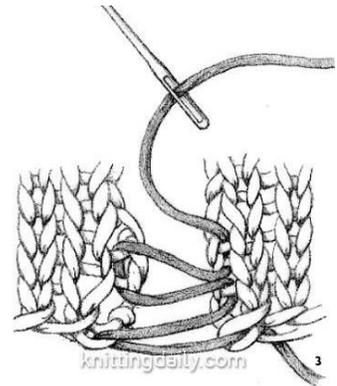
Single Crochet Join

Hold the two pieces together, right sides facing each other. Catch a loop from each piece with a suitably sized crochet hook, draw a loop of “joining” yarn through and do a single crochet.

Mattress Stitch Join

Have the two pieces you are about to join facing you, face up. Insert the needle into the lowest corner stitch from back to front. It does not matter which piece of work has the tail - just be sure they are both facing you and insert the needle from back to front on the other piece. Then insert the needle from back to front in the lowest corner stitch of the piece which has the tail. Pull to close the gap between the two pieces.

Now, going back to the piece which does not have the tail, insert your needle at exactly the point where it had come up last time going from front to back. Pulling the edge stitch, you will see a horizontal bar right above where your needle went in. Taking your needle under that bar, come up again from back to front above it. Do not pull the two pieces of work together yet. Work back and forth repeating this procedure on each side for a couple of inches and then gently pull the sewing yarn in the direction of the seam (not towards you) until the two pieces come together nicely. Do not overtighten the seam. You will notice that the join is invisible from the right side. Continue until your seam is completed. Finish by joining the two top corners in the same way as you initially joined the bottom two and weave in the remaining tail on the wrong side of the work.



Chain St. Zig-zag Join



Work a single crochet in the corner of one of the pieces to join. Chain 3, single crochet 2 stitches (or knit rows) from the edge of the second piece, chain 3, single crochet 2 stitches from the sc on the first piece. Repeat, zig-zagging between the two pieces.

Granny Stitch Join

Line up the two squares to be joined and pick up the corner stitch on one of them, right side up. Chain 3 and then make 3 DC in the corner stitch of the other square. Chain 1 and go back to the first square by making a #DC in the first space of this square. Going back and forth, crochet set of 3c and a chain to the left and right squares to join.

