

## Red Velvet Cocoon Cardigan

Level: Easy

For this project, you will need :

2 skeins of Caron Cake in shade Red Velvet (or any other yarn in Aran/Worsted weight)  
1 skein of Stylecraft Special Aran in shade Lipstick (or any other red yarn in Aran weight)  
A 6,5 mm crochet hook  
A tapestry needle  
A pair of scissors  
A stitch marker (optional)

Abbreviations:

I will be writing in US terms

ch: chain  
sk: skip  
SC: Single Crochet  
DC: Double Crochet  
Sl st: Slip stitch

Gauge: 11x11 cm (4,5x4,5 inches) = 3 rounds of Granny Square. Gauge is not crucial in this project if measurements of project are respected.

Begin pattern:

With a 6,5 mm hook using Caron Red Velvet yarn, make a Granny Square as follows:

Row 1: Ch. 4, sl. st. into 1<sup>st</sup> stitch to form a ring. Ch. 3, 2 DC inside ring (=3 DC); [ch.2, 3 DC] inside ring 3 more times, ch.2, sl. st. to beginning ch. 3

Row 2: Ch. 3, turn your work, 2 DC, ch.2, 3 DC inside ch. sp. From previous row (= 3DC, ch.2, 3DC which forms a corner); [go directly into next sp., 3 DC, ch.2, 3 DC] 3 more times, sl. st. to first 3 ch. to join round.

Row. 3: Ch. 3, turn your work, 2 DC inside space (=3 DC); [going directly into next sp. 3DC, ch.2, 3DC (=corner); going into next sp. 3DC] 4 times, sl. st to join this round.

Row 4-end (until piece measures 88 cm/35 inches or until you are satisfied with size): Repeat row 3, always placing 3 DC inside simple "side" spaces, and 3 DC, ch.2, 3 DC into each corner (4 per round to form a square).

Fasten off leaving a long tail to sew in one sleeve.

Once you have finished your granny square, fold in half, and measure 23 cm/9 inches from the center fold (inside of cardigan) to form arm pit and hole, place stitch marker. Use long tail of yarn and tapestry needle to sew seam from stitch marker to end of cardigan, make a double knot, sew in loose

ends. Repeat on the other side, attaching a piece of yarn to sew that edge of cardigan. Fasten off and tidy all loose ends.

Border (both arms and front of cardigan):

Row 1: Attach Stylecraft yarn in Lipstick onto any st. of sleeve hole, ch. 1, SC into every st. around, sl.st. to 1<sup>st</sup> ch.1.

Row 2: Ch. 3 (counts as 1<sup>st</sup> DC of round), Dc into every SC from previous row, sl. st. to first ch. 3.

Row 3: repeat row 3.

Row 4: Ch. 3, 6 DC inside that same first st. (=7 DC forming first shell), [skip 3 st., 7 DC into 4<sup>th</sup> st., sk. 3 st.] until only a few stitches remain, sl. St to finish shell edging, fasten off, tidy all loose ends.