Owl Granny Square

(This is my first crochet pattern ever, so please be kind if you see any mistakes in how it is written.)

I crocheted my squares with a 4.25mm hook and used worsted weight yarn. The squares measure 4".

Abbreviations:
- ch = chain
- dc = double crochet
- sl st - slip stitch

Round 1: Make a [magic loop](). Ch 2 (counts as first dc), 11 dc. Close the loop. Sl st in the top stitch of the first chain. End off.

Round 2: Attach new color into any dc. Ch 3 (counts as first dc). 1 dc into the same space. 2 dc into each remaining dc. You will have 24 dcs (12 sets of 2). Sl st into the top stitch of the first chain. End off.

Round 3: Attach new color: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc into the next two dcs. 2 dc, 2 ch, 2 dc into the next dc. *Dc into the next 5 dcs. 2 dc, 2 ch, 2 dc into the next dc. Repeat from the * two more times. Dc into the remaining two dcs. Sl st into the top stitch of the first chain.

Round 4: Attach new color: Ch 3 (counts as first dc). dc into the next 5 dcs. 2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc into the ch 2 space. *Dc into the next 8 dcs. 2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc into the ch 2 space. Repeat from the * two more times. Dc into the remaining 3 dcs. Sl st into the top stitch of the first chain. End off.

Make ears: Use the same color are round 2.

You are going to work on six stitched from Round 2 between two corners.

Ch 3 into first stitch.

Dc into the next stitch.

Sl st into the next 2 stitches. Dc into the next 2 stitches. Weave ends into the back of the square as shown in picture below.

weave end tail down side & in here

tuck starting tail in here

Eyes and Beak:

With a tapestry needle and scrap yarn, stitch on a beak.

For the eyes, 3c in white. Sl st into the first chain making a loop. End off. Weave in end.
Using black yarn, make a french knot in the center of the eye.

Since the ends didn't have much to weave into on the eyes I put a little fabric glue on the back to keep everything in place.
Sew onto owl with white thread and needle.
(You could also sew on felt eyes if you don't want to deal with such small crocheted circles.)

I'll give you instructions for the full blanket once it's done.