

Sage Oval Bowl Mat

DESIGN 10 | PHOTO-MATCHED FREE PATTERN



Skill	Easy	Finished baseline	Baseline 35 x 25 cm oval
Project	A washable oval mat with a cream outline for food and water bowls	Time	2-3 hours
Colour plan	Sage body with one cream border round, matching the cat's feeding corner.	Pattern	Original, photo-matched and adjustable

Materials

- 1. 140 g smooth cotton in sage and 25 g in cream
- 2. 5.0 mm hook, blunt needle and scissors
- 3. Optional non-slip dots applied only to the underside and kept away from chewing pets

Gauge and abbreviations

Gauge: 14 sc x 14 rounds = 10 x 10 cm after washing
Abbreviations: ch chain; sc single crochet; sl st slip stitch; inc 2 sc in one stitch

Measure first

MEASUREMENT FORMULA

Measure the bowl footprint and add at least 5 cm around it. Keep the mat flat so it does not tip bowls or hide spills.

Baseline sample: Start with ch 21. The baseline oval grows through five increase rounds to about 35 x 25 cm; add a straight round if your yarn is tighter.

PET-FIRST SAFETY

Keep the mat free of loose ends and small add-ons. If the pet chews the edge, remove it and choose a non-crochet feeding mat.

Pattern status: This is an original photo-matched prototype. A photograph cannot reveal the exact yarn label, hidden seams or final fit. Swatch, wash, prototype and fit-test before publishing it as tested or leaving it on a pet.

Sage Oval Bowl Mat - pattern instructions

Work in US crochet terms. Count the stitches at the end of each row or round, and adjust the final repeat to your measured size rather than forcing a tight fit.

Step	Instruction
Round 1	Ch 21. Starting in the 2nd ch: 19 sc, 3 sc in the last ch, 18 sc along the underside, 2 sc in the final stitch. (42 sc)
Round 2	Sc 19, 2 sc in each of the next 3 stitches, sc 18, 2 sc in each of the next 2 stitches. (47 sc)
Round 3	Sc 20, (2 sc in next stitch, sc in next) 3 times, sc 19, (2 sc in next stitch, sc in next) 2 times. (52 sc)
Round 4	Sc 21, (2 sc in next stitch, sc in next 2) 3 times, sc 20, (2 sc in next stitch, sc in next 2) 2 times. (57 sc)
Round 5	Sc 22, (2 sc in next stitch, sc in next 3) 3 times, sc 21, (2 sc in next stitch, sc in next 3) 2 times. (62 sc)
Rounds 6-7	Sc in every stitch around with no increases. Check that the mat lies flat; add one more straight round if the bowls need a wider base.
Border	Change to cream and work 1 round of sc around. Join, fasten off and weave the tail on the underside.

Finishing

Block the oval flat. Test it under empty bowls first, then with water, and trim any curling edge before use.

Fit checkpoint

CHECK BEFORE USE
The mat should extend evenly beyond the bowls, stay flat and remain washable. It is not a toy or a chew item.

Care

Wipe spills promptly. Wash according to the yarn label and dry completely before placing bowls back.

Why this matches the photo

The reference shows a sage oval with a pale border beneath ceramic bowls. The five-round oval formula gives a practical, adjustable base without copying any hidden source pattern.

Reference image file(s): 19FF1EC7-BACD-4E60-8426-686E6AD6ACAE.jpeg