

Greige Compact-Texture Cat Blanket

A photo-matched crochet pet blanket with dense stitch guidance, measurement-based sizing, washable-yarn notes and finishing checks.



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Publishing status

Prototype-ready draft. Crochet, wash and supervise one physical pet-use test before calling this pattern tested.

Project plan

Visible construction	A folded neutral blanket with compact raised texture, a tidy narrow edge and enough drape to stack without collapsing.
Starting stitch	herringbone single crochet
Starting gauge	Prototype starting gauge: 14 herringbone sc x 15 rows = 10 cm after washing.
Photo-style target	Photo-style starting target: 55 x 70 cm.

Materials

- Worsted washable cotton blend in greige, approximately 450-650 m
- 5 mm hook
- yarn needle
- markers.

Also have scissors, a measuring tape and a smooth 15 cm swatch board. Keep needles, markers and loose yarn away from pets.

Abbreviations

ch = chain; sc = single crochet; hdc = half double crochet; dc = double crochet; BLO = back loop only; st(s) = stitch(es); rep = repeat.

Measure before crocheting

Add 15-20 cm to the cat's curled width and length. Convert the finished measurements with the washed swatch gauge.

Pet / use	Starting width	Starting length	Write actual size
Cat	50-60 cm	65-80 cm	____ x ____ cm
Small dog	55-65 cm	75-90 cm	____ x ____ cm
Medium / large dog	65-95 cm	85-125 cm	____ x ____ cm

Swatch and snag check

- Make a 15 cm swatch, wash it as the yarn label allows and dry it completely.
- Record stitches and rows per 10 cm before and after washing.
- Run fingertips and a blunt wooden cuticle stick lightly across both surfaces. Reject visible loops that lift easily.
- Rub the yarn with a white cloth to check shedding or dye transfer.
- Choose the safer tighter version if two hook sizes both produce flexible fabric.

Pattern instructions

1. Chain to the calculated width plus one. Insert the hook in the second chain, pull up a loop, pull the first loop through the second, yarn over and pull through the remaining loop.
2. Repeat the herringbone sc across. Chain 1, turn and continue with the same stitch through both loops.
3. Work until the target length is reached, checking that the diagonal pull does not skew the rectangle.
4. Add two ordinary sc border rounds. Use a slightly larger hook for the border only if the edge draws inward.
5. Wash and fold the blanket as shown. Inspect the fold line and raised texture for loosened loops.

Finishing checklist

- Lay the blanket flat and confirm the corners do not curl into cord-like loops.
- Weave every tail through dense stitches in more than one direction, tug-test, then trim.
- Inspect the reverse surface, color changes and border joins, not only the photographed side.
- Wash and dry the completed prototype before measuring final size and yardage.

Pet-use fit check

The blanket should cover the chair or pet-bed surface beneath Skyla with enough spare width for a natural curl.

- Let the pet approach voluntarily and supervise the first sessions.
- Watch the pet lie down, turn, stand and walk off without the blanket wrapping around a paw.
- Remove the blanket if a claw catches, yarn loosens, the pet chews, or the fabric forms a tight loop.
- Keep the blanket dry and away from heaters or open flames.

Care

Follow the yarn label and dry flat. Do not fold for storage until the inner layers are completely dry.

Design-specific safety

The supplied image is a finished-detail reference, not proof of a tested stitch. Confirm the swatch stays dense after washing.

Final sign-off

Swatch washed: ____ Finished size: _____ Both sides inspected: ____ Edges secure: ____ Supervised pet-use check passed: ____ Yarn / hook / yardage recorded: _____ Version/date: _____