Ideal Crochet Patterns to Make Pet Blankets

*** All the following patterns use a "K" size crochet hook and 4-ply washable yarn. If you're using a smaller or larger hook, please increase or decrease the initial chains accordingly. ***

Abbreviations	*Directions:*
SC – Single crochet	Insert hook into stitch and pull through a loop of yarn. Put yarn over hook and pull through both loops on hook.
	Put yarn over hook and insert hook into stitch, pulling out a loop of yarn. Yarn over hook and draw it through all three loops on hook.
DC – Double crochet	Put yarn over hook and insert hook into stitch, pulling out a loop of yarn. Yarn over and draw it through the first two loops on hook. Yarn over and draw it through the final two loops on hook.
TC – Treble crochet	Put yarn over hook twice and insert hook into stitch, pulling out a loop of yarn. Yarn over and draw it through the first two loops on hook. Yarn over and draw it through the next two loops on hook. Yarn over and draw it through the final two loops on hook.

"Super-Fast Triple Crown"

These stitches end up large, so this pattern makes the fastest blanket. The cats just love to stretch their paws in the space between the treble crochets. There's an alternating row of half double crochets, so that the blanket isn't too loose.

Begin by: Chaining 44 loosely.

Row 1: Treble crochet (TC) in fifth chain from hook and in each chain across.

Row 2: Chain 2 (counts as first HDC), turn, half double crochet (HDC) in the next TC and in each TC across.

Row 3: Chain 4 (counts as first TC), turn, TC in next HDC and in each HDC across.

Repeat: Repeat, alternating rows 2 and 3 until piece measures between 16 and 18 inches.

"Standard Double"

This makes a blanket fast and once you get the hang of it you can almost create it with your eyes closed!

Begin by: Chaining 44 loosely.

Row 1: Double crochet (DC) in fourth chain from hook and in each chain across.

Row 2: Chain 3 (counts as first DC), turn, DC in next DC and in each DC across.

Repeat: Repeat row 2 until piece measures between 16 and 18 inches.

"Victory Stitch"

This also makes a light and soft blanket, even with heavy yarn. It's another pattern that puts together a finished blanket in no time.

Begin by: Chaining 44 loosely.

Row 1: DC, chain 1, DC all in fifth chain from hook (V-Stitch/"VS" made). *Skip next two chains, work VS in next chain. Repeat from * all the way across to the last 2 chains, DC in last chain.

Row 2: Chain 3, turn, work VS in each "Chain 1 spaces" across, DC in top of beginning chain.

Repeat: Repeat row 2 until piece measures between 16 and 18 inches.

"Window Pane"

This makes the most "airy" blanket, and it's also quick to make. The critters enjoy it because they can curl their paws though the 'window panes" on this blanket.

Begin by: Chaining 44 loosely.

Row 1: Single crochet (SC) in each chain across to end.

Row 2: Chain 2 (counts as DC), turn, chain 1, *skip next SC and DC in next SC (creates a space or "window pane")*, repeat from * all the way across.

Row 3: SC in each SC/each space (window pane) across to end.

Repeat: Repeat rows 2 and 3 until piece measures between 16 and 18 inches.

"Half-Double Mosaic"

This simple pattern is especially great to use when you have a lot of mismatched, partial skeins of yarn. As I create the blankets I save any leftover yarn in a special bag. Once I get enough, I tie one yarn to the next, creating a large ball of wound-up yarn. I use this to make a blanket full of colorful surprises, from these small bunches of leftover yarn.

Begin by: Chaining 44 loosely.

Row 1: Half-double crochet (HDC) in second chain from hook and in each chain across.

Row 2: Chain 2 (counts as HDC), turn, HDC in each chain across.

Repeat: Repeat row 2 until the piece measures between 16 and 18 inches.

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