Ideal Knitting Patterns to Make Pet Blankets

*** These patterns use 4-ply washable yarn. You can use a needle size other than what’s suggested – just increase or decrease the cast-ons and number of rows accordingly. ***

**“Color Changer”**
This pattern uses two threads of yarn, so the color changes with each stitch. Try interesting combinations of colors for a fun result! Use circular or regular needles, size #8 (5mm).

Begin by: Using both yarns, cast on about 65 stitches.

Rows 1-5: Knit all the way across.

Row 6: Knit 5, then purl all the way across until last five stitches. Knit 5 to end.

Row 7: Knit all the way across.

Remaining rows: Alternate rows 6 and 7 until piece measures 16” – 18”. Cast off.

**“Super Easy”**
This pattern is easy for a beginner, but produces a blanket that’s soft and perfect for the kitties. Use circular or regular needles, size #9 (5.5mm). Also, feel free to change the colors for any rows and have fun with the results!

Begin by: Cast on about 75 stitches.

Row 1: Purl all the way across. Turn.

Row 2: Knit all the way across. Turn.

Row 3: Knit all the way across. Turn.

Row 4: Purl all the way across. Turn.

Row 5: Knit all the way across. Turn.

Remaining rows: Continue repeating rows 3 – 5, knitting, then purling, then knitting. Do this until the piece measures about 17 inches. Cast off.

**“Mile-A-Minute”**
This pattern is especially fast, so lots of blankets can be made. Use circular or regular size #7 (4.5mm) needles. You can use much larger needles (but decrease the number of cast ons) to make a really fluffy, airy blanket.

Begin by: Cast on about 90 stitches.

Rows 1-3: Knit all the way across.

Row 4: Knit one, purl one, knit one, purl one, etc. all the way across.

Middle rows: Repeat row 4 until the piece is about 16 inches.

Final rows: Knit all the way across for three rows. Cast off.
**“Stripes”**
This pattern uses a size #7 (4.5mm) needle. You can use one strand of yarn, or two strands together for an interesting look.

Begin by: Cast on about 47 stitches.
Row 1: Knit 3, * purl 1, knit 3. Repeat from * all the way across.
Row 2: Knit all the way across.
Remaining rows: Continue by alternating rows 1 and 2, until piece is about 18 inches. Cast off.

**“8-Row Garter”**
This pattern uses a size #7 (4.5mm) needle. You’ll create a pattern of 8 rows that are repeated throughout. Try changing the yarn color, every time you restart the pattern.

Begin by: Cast on about 46 stitches.
Rows 1-6: Knit all the way across.
Row 7: This begins the 8-row pattern. Knit all the way across.
Row 8: Knit 6, purl 34, knit 6.
Row 9: Knit 6, purl 5, knit 4, purl 6, knit 4, purl 6, knit 4, purl 5, knit 6.
Row 10: Knit 6, purl 34, knit 6.
Row 11: Knit all the way across.
Row 12: Knit 6, purl 34, knit 6.
Row 13: Knit 10, purl 6, knit 4, purl 6, knit 4, purl 6, knit 4, knit 6.
Row 14: Knit 6, purl 34, knit 6.
Remaining rows: Repeat the previous 8 rows, until the piece measures about 18 inches and ends with row 14. Cast off.

**“Couldn’t Be Simpler”**
This pattern is perfect for when you have yarn that changes color along the way. It’s simple and fast to do, but the kitties love its softness! Use a larger needle to make it even fluffier!

Begin by: Cast on about 45 stitches.
All rows: Knit 1, purl 1, alternating all way across. Cast off.

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