

Easy to Make ... Cat Toy Rings!



If you have just a little bit of leftover yarn, this is a fun idea to use it up. If your kitty loves to chase the plastic “rings” from the cap of a gallon milk jug, this is a way to make them soft and colorful too. They will also look much better as they lay on your kitchen floor, and they won’t hurt when you inevitably step on them!

Save one of the rings and gather an “I” size crochet hook, tapestry needle and some yarn. If you have catnip available, grab a bit of that too, but it’s not absolutely necessary (though your cat may disagree).



Just hold the ring steady and use a slip stitch to secure the yarn around the ring. Then use a single crochet stitch to cover the ring with yarn, as follows: Instead of putting the hook “into” a stitch, you’ll put it under the ring, grab the loose yarn, pull it back under, yarn-over and pull the yarn through. When you get to the end, use a slip stitch to attach the final single crochet to the first one. Tie off, and weave in the ends using a tapestry needle.



You’ll also need to periodically push the stitches together a bit, so that they are nice and tightly packed around the ring. You shouldn’t be able to see the color of the original milk jug ring at all. I like to roll the finished piece in some loose catnip, as the final touch to this easy-peasy cat toy.