One Skein Pet Bed!

Supplies Needed:

Crochet Hook - size I
One skein washable yarn (5oz multi-color or 7oz solid skein)

Abbreviations:
ch - chain
sl - slip stitch
st - stitch
hdc - half double crochet
dc - double crochet
btn - between
prev - previous
rpt - repeat

Making the Bottom
ch 5, sl to join into a ring

Row 1
ch 2 (counts as dc), 11 dc into the center of the ring
sl to join

Row 2
ch 2, dc in the same st as the ch 2
2 dc in all st from prev row
sl to join (24 total dc, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 3
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc in next st
2 dc, 1 dc
rpt btn * around the circle
sl to join (36 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 4
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc into the next 2 st
2dc, 1 dc in next 2 st
rpt btn * around the circle
sl to join (48 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 5
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc into the next 3 st
2 dc, 1 dc in next 3 st
rpt btn * around the circle
sl to join (60 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 6
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc into the next 4 st
2 dc, 1 dc in next 4 st
rpt btn * around the circle
sl to join (72 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 7
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc into the next 5 st
2 dc, 1 dc in next 5 st
rpt btn * around circle
sl to join (84 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 8
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc into the next 6 st
2 dc, 1 dc in next 6 st
rpt btn * around circle
sl to join (96 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

Row 9
ch 2, dc in same st as the ch 2, dc into the next 7 st
2 dc, 1 dc in next 7 st
rpt btn * around circle
sl to join (108 dc total, counting ch 2 at start)

NOTE: If you are going to do a double thickness round pet bed, finish off the first circle at round 9 and make a second circle. Do not finish the second circle off at row 9. Put both circles together and sc around the 2 circles to join them together and then move on to row 10. If you are making a single thickness round pet bed, do not finish the first circle at row 9. Continue to row 10.

SECOND NOTE: If you want your bed to be bigger around than what this one is, you can do so by adding rows between Row 9 and 10, working 1 more dc between the increase (2dc in same st). Of course, if you do this, you will be using more yarn meaning you will not be able to complete the square mat or do the double thickness round bed. Just buy 2 skeins of yarn if you want to go bigger (this one holds a standard house cat).

Row 10 (begins making the side of the pet bed)
ch 2, hdc around the circle in the front loop only
sl to join

Row 11
ch 2, hdc around the circle in both loops (like normal)
sl to join

Row 12
ch 2, dc around the circle
sl to join

Row 13 and 14
rpt row 12

Creating the Sides

Fold the "flap" of the pet bed over towards the outside (folding outward, not inward) to the row of hdc that went through the front loop only. You should be able to line up the stitches from the top of the mat to the back loops only. Single crochet around the bed going through both loops of the dc (last row) and the back loop left open from row 10. Once you go around the pet bed, finish off.