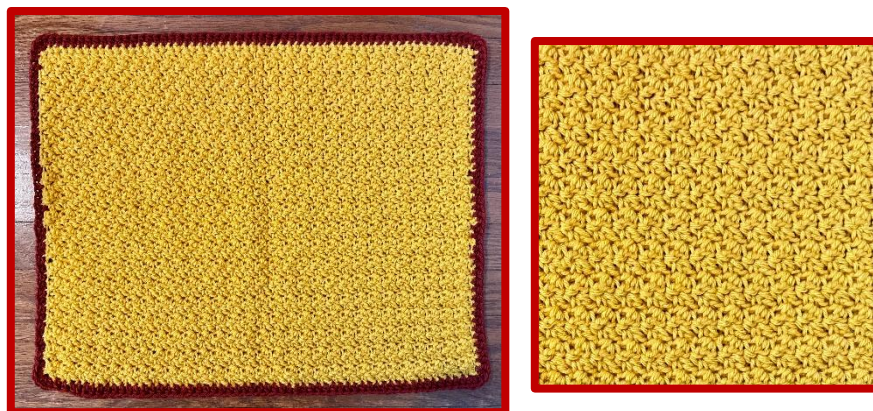


Kernel Stitch Blanket



I liked this stitch because it was easy to do, but created a pattern that was on a bit of an angle. It didn't leave large holes, so it's great for pets too. The finished size should be around 20" x 20" which is just perfect for a kitty. To make a dog blanket, just increase the foundation chain by half and crochet more rows to reach about 30"x30".

Getting Started: Use a size K crochet hook and gather a skein of #4 (worsted weight) yarn.

To begin: CH51 (for a 20"x20" blanket). For other sizes, just make sure you chain any odd number.

Row 1: SC in 2nd CH from hook and in each remaining CH, CH1, turn.

Row 2: Skip first SC, (SC, DC) in next SC, * skip next SC, (SC, DC) in next SC, repeat from * across, SC in last stitch, CH1, turn.

Row 3: (SC, DC) in each DC across, end with SC in last SC, CH1, turn.

Row 4+: Repeat row 3 for pattern.

Finishing: Fasten off and weave in ends. A simple single crochet makes a nice border for a blanket using the Kernel stitch. Just be sure to put three single crochets into every corner.

Tips: Use multiple colors in stripes, or a variegated yarn, for a colorful look. This stitch works great with leftover yarn, allowing you to change colors every 2–4 rows. Remember, the more colorful the better!

Key:

CH – chain
SC – single crochet
DC – double crochet

