

# Brookie's Pet Bed

## Materials

- Yarn: 600-660 yards super bulky weight yarn
  - Yarn used in samples: Red Heart Sweet Home (variegated yarn) and Bernat Blanket
  - I used both RH Sweet Home and Bernat Blanket yarns in the bottom bed. The yarns were of equal thickness. If mixing yarns, make sure to choose equal yarns.
- Crochet Hook: K (6.5mm)
- Notions: Yarn needle for weaving in ends, 40 oz stuffing

## Measurements

- Finished Measurements
 

The "large" size is only a little bigger. It has a bigger center circle, a couple more increase rounds and is slightly thicker.

Measurements were taken after bed was stuffed.

"Total diameter" was measured from increase point across to increase point.

  - Regular: center circle - 6.75" across, total diameter - 24", height - 3"
  - Large: center circle - 9" across, total diameter - 25", height - 4"
- Gauge: 4" with a K hook and worked between the posts of the previous round = 10 hdc sts and 6.25 rounds

## Tips

- Numbers at the beginning of each line may refer to steps and not indicate number of rows.
- Stitch count remains the same unless noted at end of row/round.
- If you have any questions about this pattern please contact [heidi@snappy-tots.com](mailto:heidi@snappy-tots.com).

## Description

This project starts by creating the two center circles. Those will be stacked and crocheted together. From that point on, the piece is worked in continuous round to increase in size, then decrease back to the size of the center circle. The bed will be stuffed while sewing the final edge to the beginning circles.

After creating the first bed for my dog I decided to make one a little larger so medium sized dogs could have a cozy place too. My Brookie loves them both. Now her sister, a 110 lb black lab named Oila (Oy-lah), thinks she needs one too.

The bed at the top of the photo above has been used daily for three months. It has held up extremely well and other than some dirt it looks exactly like it did the first day.



## Regular Size

Center Circle (make 2)

1. With a K hook and yarn color of choice, start with a magic circle of 8 sc sts (or preferred method for creating a circle of 8 sc sts), pull closed and place a marker for working in the round. (8sts)

2. 2sc in each st to end of round. (16sts)

3. \*hdc in the next st, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (24sts)

4. For steps 4-6, work each st between the posts of the previous round. This is done by inserting the hook right between the posts instead of IN the stitch. When working with blanket yarn this is actually easier to see the placement. This creates a fabric that is more dense and will help keep the stuffing inside.

\*hdc 2, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (32sts) 4" across

5. \*hdc 3, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (40sts) "5.25" across

6. \*hdc 4, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (48sts) "6.25" across

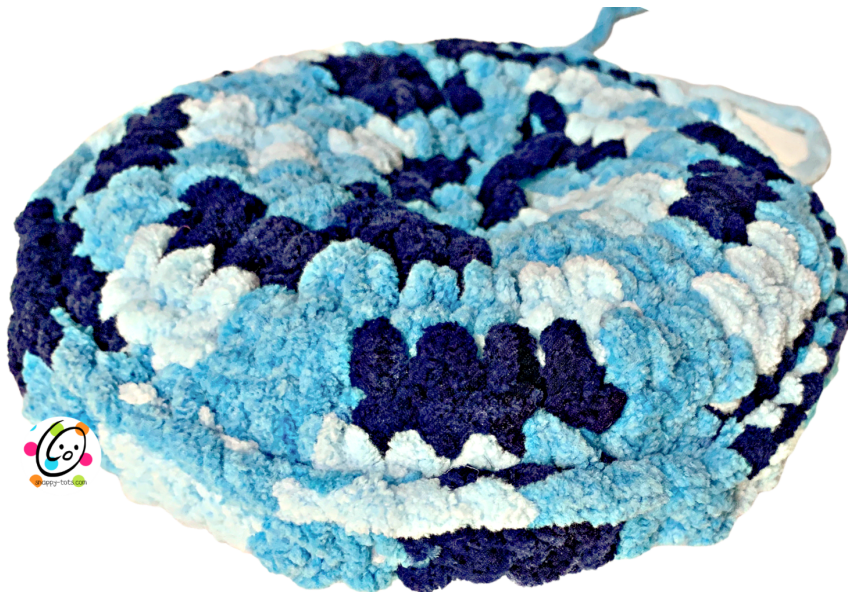
7. First circle: Sc in the next st, sl st in the next st. Finish off and weave in the end of the first circle.

Second circle: Repeat steps 1-6.

- After step 6, sc in the next st, sl st in the next st. Do NOT finish off.
- Place the first circle under the current circle.
- At this point, on my first bed, I did not add stuffing between these circles. However, on my second one I did add just a bit. It is optional and up to you. The reason I added the stuffing was because the center seemed really flat. If your dog is really small I would suggest adding a little stuffing just to cushion it.

8. This step is worked into the sts of both circles. Try to match up the increase points of each circle.

Ch 1, sc in the same st, sc 4, 2sc in the next st, \*sc 5, 2sc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round, sl st in the first st to join. (56sts)



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9. Ch 1, \*FPHDC around each of the next 6 posts from the previous round, 2FPHDC around the next post\*, repeat to the end of the round, sl st to join. (64sts)

Note: yes, I know there isn't much of a post on the previous sc round. Just take your time.

10. Change colors if desired. From this point on we will be working in the round. Place a marker for working in the round. Sc in the next st, hdc 6, 2hdc in the next st, \*hdc 7, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round, working the last hdc a little more snug than the other sts. This will help decrease the gap between sts as we continue in the round. (72sts)

11. From this point on, work each st between the posts of the previous round. The instructions may mention "st", but should be worked between the posts.

\*hdc 8, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (80sts)

12. Note: Pay attention to the amount of sts worked in the repeat. This changes to increase each round by 10 instead of 8.

\*hdc 7, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (90sts)

13. \*hdc 8, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (100sts)

14. \*hdc 9, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (110sts)

15. \*hdc 10, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (120sts)

16. \*hdc 11, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (130sts)

17. \*hdc 12, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (140sts)

18. \*hdc 13, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (150sts)

19. \*hdc 14, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (160sts)

20. \*hdc 15, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (170sts)

21. \*hdc 16, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (180sts)

22. \*hdc 17, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (190sts)

23. \*hdc 18, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (200sts)

24. \*hdc 19, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (210sts)

25. Hdc in each st to end of round.

26. \*hdc 19, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (200sts)

27. \*hdc 18, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (190sts)

28. \*hdc 17, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (180sts)

29. \*hdc 16, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (170sts)

30. \*hdc 15, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (160sts)



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35. \*hdc 10, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (110sts)
36. \*hdc 9, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (100sts)
37. \*hdc 8, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (90sts)
38. \*hdc 7, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (80sts)
39. \*hdc 6, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (70sts)
40. \*hdc 5, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (60sts)
41. \*sc 13, sc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (56sts) Finish off, leaving at least 24" yarn tail for seaming at the end.

### Stuffing and Final Seam

Line up the end round with the outer edge of the center circle. The sts of the end round will be sewn to the ridge that was created from the FPHDC round after the center circles were sewn together. If your end round does not end up on the same side as this ridge, turn your bed inside out.

In an attempt to sew the sts together at similar points, I tried to line up the increases of the ridge round with the decreases of the final round.

With a yarn needle, use the yarn tail to sew the sts of the two rounds together, stuffing as you go.

- I made sure to stuff the increase "points" to make the rippled edge more pronounced.
- I suggest sewing  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the rounds together and then stuffing this section. If you sew too big of a section it is hard to get the stuffing where it needs to be.
- I stuffed the bed firm, but was careful I didn't overstuff it. You want the dog to be able to comfortably lay in the middle and have a nice slope to the outer edge.



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## Larger Size

Center Circle (make 2)

1. With a K hook and yarn color of choice, start with a magic circle of 8 sc sts (or preferred method for creating a circle of 8 sc sts), pull closed and place a marker for working in the round. (8sts)

2. 2sc in each st to end of round. (16sts)

3. \*hdc in the next st, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (24sts)

4. For steps 4-8, work each st between the posts of the previous round. This is done by inserting the hook right between the posts instead of IN the stitch. When working with blanket yarn this is actually easier to see the placement. This creates a fabric that is more dense and will help keep the stuffing inside.

\*hdc 2, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (32sts) 4" across

5. \*hdc 3, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (40sts) "5.25" across

6. \*hdc 4, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (48sts) "6.25" across

7. \*hdc 5, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (56sts) "7.25" across

8. \*hdc 6, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (64sts) "8.5" across

9. First circle: Sc in the next st, sl st in the next st. Finish off and weave in the end of the first circle.

Second circle: Repeat steps 1-8.

- After step 8, sc in the next st, sl st in the next st. Do NOT finish off.
- Place the first circle under the current circle.
- At this point, on my first bed, I did not add stuffing between these circles. However, on my second one I did add just a bit. It is optional and up to you. The reason I added the stuffing was because the center seemed really flat. If your dog is really small I would suggest adding a little stuffing just to cushion it.

10. This step is worked into the sts of both circles. Try to match up the increase points of each circle.

Ch 1, sc in the same st, sc 6, 2sc in the next st, \*sc 7, 2sc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round, sl st in the first st to join. (72sts)



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11. Ch 1, \*FPHDC around each of the next 8 posts from the previous round, 2FPHDC around the next post\*, repeat to the end of the round, sl st to join. (80sts)

Note: yes, I know there isn't much of a post on the previous sc round. Just take your time.

12. Change colors if desired. From this point on we will be working in the round. Place a marker for working in the round. Sc in the next st, hdc 6, 2hdc in the next st, \*hdc 7, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round, working the last hdc a little more snug than the other sts. This will help decrease the gap between sts as we continue in the round. (90sts)

13. From this point on, work each st between the posts of the previous round. The instructions may mention "st", but should be worked between the posts.

\*hdc 8, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (100sts)

14. \*hdc 9, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (110sts)

15. \*hdc 10, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (120sts)

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19. \*hdc 14, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (160sts)

20. \*hdc 15, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (170sts)

21. \*hdc 16, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (180sts)

22. \*hdc 17, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (190sts)

23. \*hdc 18, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (200sts)

24. \*hdc 19, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (210sts)

25. \*hdc 20, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (220sts)

26. \*hdc 21, 2hdc in the next st\*, repeat to the end of the round. (230sts)

27-28. Hdc in each st to end of round.

29. \*hdc 21, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (220sts)

30. \*hdc 20, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (210sts)

31. \*hdc 19, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (200sts)

32. \*hdc 18, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (190sts)

33. \*hdc 17, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (180sts)

34. \*hdc 16, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (170sts)

35. \*hdc 15, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (160sts)



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 41. \*hdc 9, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (100sts)  
 42. \*hdc 8, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (90sts)  
 43. \*hdc 7, hdc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (80sts)  
 44. \*sc 8, sc2tog\*, repeat to the end of the round. (72sts) Finish off, leaving at least 24" yarn tail for seaming at the end.

Stuffing and final seam: follow the instructions on page 4.

| Common Abbreviations |                                    |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| beg                  | beginning                          |
| ch                   | chain                              |
| sl                   | slip                               |
| st                   | stitch                             |
| sp                   | space                              |
| sc                   | single crochet                     |
| hdc                  | half double crochet                |
| dc                   | double crochet                     |
| tr                   | treble/triple crochet              |
| bp                   | back post                          |
| fp                   | front post                         |
| blo                  | back loop only                     |
| flo                  | front loop only                    |
| sc2tog               | single crochet 2 sts together      |
| hdc2tog              | half double crochet 2 sts together |
| dc2tog               | double crochet 2 sts together      |
| *                    | repeat instructions                |
| yo                   | yarn over                          |

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I hope you have a wonderful day!

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