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Crochet Dog Sweater: Free Pet Sweater Pattern

Finished Size & Skill Level

- **Size S:** neck 11 in (28 cm), chest about 18 in (46 cm), back length 12 in (30 cm) - small breeds like Chihuahua or Yorkie
- **Size M:** neck 13 in (33 cm), chest about 22 in (56 cm), back length 16 in (41 cm) - medium breeds like Beagle or French Bulldog
- **Size L:** neck 17 in (43 cm), chest about 28 in (71 cm), back length 20 in (51 cm) - larger breeds like Boxer or Labrador
- **Skill level:** Easy - chain, double crochet, and simple increases in rounds; leg openings are shaped with chain spaces
- **Time:** one weekend

Materials

- **Worsted-weight (#4) acrylic yarn** - about 250 (350, 600) yards for size S (M, L). Choose a washable yarn; avoid wool for dogs with sensitive skin
- **US H (5.0 mm) crochet hook**
- Yarn needle, scissors, stitch marker, soft tape measure

Abbreviations (US Terms)

- **ch** = chain | **st(s)** = stitch(es) | **sl st** = slip stitch
- **dc** = double crochet (UK: treble crochet) | **inc** = increase (2 dc in same st)
- **FPdc** = front-post double crochet | **BPdc** = back-post double crochet

Gauge

15 stitches and 7 rows = 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet with a US H (5.0 mm) hook. Check gauge before starting: the chest measurement decides the fit.

Pattern Notes

- This is an original CrochetRooms pattern. It is not claimed as physically tested.
- Sizes are written as S (M, L). Work the instructions for your size only.

- The sweater is worked top-down in joined rounds: collar, increased yoke, leg openings, then a straight body with a ribbed hem.
- The beginning chain 3 counts as the first double crochet of each round.
- Stitch counts are given in parentheses at the end of each round.

Collar

Chain 42 (48, 64). Join with a sl st to the first chain to form a ring, being careful not to twist.

Rounds 1-3: Ch 3 (counts as dc). Dc in each ch/st around. Join with sl st to top of beginning ch 3. (42 (48, 64) dc)

The collar is about 2 in (5 cm) deep.

Yoke

Round 4: Ch 3. *Dc in next 5 (5, 7) sts, inc in next st. Repeat from * around. Join. (49 (56, 72) dc)

Round 5: Ch 3. Dc in each st around. Join. (49 (56, 72) dc)

Round 6: Ch 3. *Dc in next 6 (6, 8) sts, inc in next st. Repeat from * around. Join. (56 (64, 80) dc)

Round 7: Ch 3. Dc in each st around. Join. (56 (64, 80) dc)

Round 8: Ch 3. *Dc in next 7 (7, 9) sts, inc in next st. Repeat from * around. Join. (63 (72, 88) dc)

Round 9: Ch 3. Dc in each st around. Join. (63 (72, 88) dc)

Round 10: Ch 3. *Dc in next 8 (8, 10) sts, inc in next st. Repeat from * around. Join. (70 (80, 96) dc)

Round 11 (size L only): Ch 3. *Dc in next 11 sts, inc in next st. Repeat from * around. Join. (104 dc)

Sizes now have 70 (80, 104) dc. The yoke should measure about 4 (4, 4.5) in [10 (10, 11.5) cm] deep.

Leg Openings

Leg row: Sl st in the next 10 (12, 14) sts. Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in the next 20 (22, 31) sts. Ch 10 (12, 14), skip the next 10 (12, 14) sts. Dc in the next 20 (22, 31) sts. Ch 10 (12, 14), skip the next 10 (12, 14) sts. Join with sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3. (70 (80, 104) sts)

You have formed two leg openings from the chain spaces.

Body

Next round: Ch 3. Dc in each st and each ch around. Join. (70 (80, 104) dc)

Body rounds: Ch 3. Dc in each st around. Join. Repeat until the sweater measures 12 (16, 20) in [30 (41, 51) cm] from the collar edge, or your dog's back length.

Ribbed Hem

Hem rounds 1-2: Ch 2 (does not count as a st). *FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st. Repeat from * around. Join with sl st to the first FPdc.

Fasten off and weave in all ends.

Finishing & Fitting

Weave in all ends. Try the sweater on your dog: you should be able to slide two fingers under the collar, and the leg openings should sit just behind the front legs without pulling. Introduce the sweater with treats and short wearing sessions, and never leave a dog unsupervised in clothing.

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