



Purly Paw Print Patchwork Blanket

It's a well known fact that **dogs need hugs**, so it makes sense that homeless hounds need twice the amount of love. **Battersea Dogs & Cats Home** care for 1000s of dogs a year, with around 450 across their three sites at any one time. That's a whole lot of lonely dogs looking for love. We're asking you to give them a handmade hug while they wait for new owners. Knit them a **cosy comfort blanket** to snuggle up to in their Battersea kennel and they can take it with them when they find a new home.



The **Purly Paw Print Patchwork Blanket** is made up of four simple squares: a plain square, a teeny paw print square for miniscule mutts, a medium paw print square for canines of middle size, and a HUGE paw print square for bigger beasts. Sew them all together and you have one woolly comfort blanket for a canine in need of cuddles.

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Gubbins

- Yarn: Approx 125g of colourful acrylic DK in as many colours as you like
- 4mm knitting needles
- One tapestry needle to sew squares together
- One lonely dog to give blanket to (Battersea will provide these for you. They have plenty.)
- Comforting canine thoughts to think while you knit (very important)

Size

Approx 50cm x 50cm (20" square) Just add more squares for a larger blanket.

Skills you'll need

Knitting. Purling. Very basic sewing up for joining squares. Snoopy dancing (to celebrate after you finish).

Pattern

The **Purly Paw Print Patchwork Blanket** is made up of **25 squares**, knit in simple knit and purl. **Ten** plain squares, **five** tiny paw print squares, **five** medium paw print squares, and **five** HUGE paw print squares. Sew them all together et voila! A comfort blanket for a homeless hound who is feeling ruff...

Plain Pawless Squares

Cast on 23 sts

Row 1. K across

Row 2. K across

Row 3. K across

Row 4. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2

Row 5 and all odd numbered rows. K across

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Row 6 and all even numbered rows to row 38. Repeat row 4
Row 35 to 37. K across

Bind off. Make 10 of these squares.

Small Paw Squares



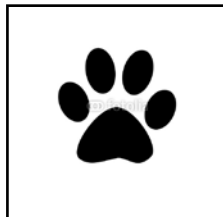
Cast on 22 sts

Row 1. K across
Row 2. K across
Row 3. K across
Row 4. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Row 5 and all odd numbered rows. K across
Row 6 and all even numbered rows to row 10. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Rows 12 and 14. K2, p6, k2, p2, k2, p6, k2
Row 16. K2, p3, k2, p8, k2, p3, k2
Row 18. K2, p3, k2, p2, k4, p2, k2, p3, k2
Row 20. K2, p6, k6, p6, k2
Row 22. K2, p5, k8, p5, k2
Row 24. K2, p6, k6, p6, k2
Row 26 and all even rows to row 34. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Rows 35 to 37. K across



Bind off. Make 5 of these squares.

Medium Paw Squares



Cast on 22 sts

Row 1. K across
Row 2. K across
Row 3. K across
Row 4. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Row 5 and all odd numbered rows. K across
Row 6 and all even numbered rows to row 8. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Row 10. K2, p6, k2, p2, k2, p6, k2
Rows 12. K2, p5, k3, p2, k3, p5, k2
Rows 14. (K2, p2) across
Row 16. K2, p2, k3, p8, k3, p2, k2
Row 18. K2, p3, k2, p2, k4, p2, k2, p3, k2
Row 20. K2, p3, k, p2, k6, p2, k, p3, k2
Row 22. K2, p5, k8, p5, k2
Row 24. K2, p4, k10, p4, k2
Row 26. K2, p3, k12, p3, k2
Row 28. k2, p5, k8, p5, k2
Row 30. K2, p7, k4, p7, k2
Row 32 and all even rows to row 34. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Rows 35 to 37. K across



Bind off. Make 5 of these squares.

Large Paw Squares

Cast on 22 sts

- Row 1.** K across
Row 2. P across
Row 3. K across
Row 4. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Row 5 and all odd numbered rows. K across
Row 6. K2, p5, k2, p4, k2, p5, k2
Rows 8 and 10. K2, p4, k4, p2, k4, p4, k2
Row 12. K2, p2, k, p2, k2, p4, k2, p2, k, p2, k2
Row 14. K2, p, k3, p10, k3, p, k2
Row 16. K2, p, k3, p2, k6, p2, k3, p, k2
Row 18. K2, p2, k2, p, k8, p, k2, p2, k2
Row 20. K2, p5, k8, p5, k2
Row 22. K2, p4, k10, p4, k2
Row 24. K2, p3, k12, p3, k2
Row 26 and 30. K2, p2, k14, p2, k2
Row 28. K2, p3, k12, p3, k2
Row 30. K2, p4, k10, p4, k2
Row 32. K2, p to last 2 sts, k2
Rows 34 to 37. K across

Bind off. Make five of these squares.



Finishing

1. Darn in all the ends. Sigh.
2. Spend ages arranging the blanket squares in any order you like. Oooo pretty!
3. Make yourself a cup of tea and put a good film on. You're going to be sewing squares together for a while.
4. Sew squares together.
5. Keep sewing.
6. You're done. Woo hoo!
7. Snoopy dance around the room celebrating your new knit for a lonesome dog.

Your Purlly Paw Print Patchwork Blanket Lives!



Where to send your blanket

Dog Blanket Appeal

Battersea Dogs & Cats Home
4 Battersea Park Road
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Or you can take it along to the Home yourself. It's open to the public every day, and you can visit the public kennels and cattery to see their lovely lodgers.

Who knows, you might find a friend to take home with you.

Fancy fostering? If you can't take a friend home for good, Battersea are always looking for foster homes for their dogs too. To see if you might be able to take in a furry friend for a while check out:

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**May your blanket
make a tail wag very
soon!**

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