

Interested in how you can turn your knitting hobby into fundraising for Cats Protection? Here's how you can use your crafting skills to support cats on, and off, stream.

## Why knitting?

Knitting can be a relaxing and enjoyable activity for you, and a knitted blanket provides the perfect cosy spot for your cat to snuggle. You can customise your blankets with your favourite textures and colours to make them extra special or if you've something else in mind, take on a more ambitious project altogether!

## How to get involved:

- Live knitting streams: Stream your knitting sessions on platforms like Twitch or YouTube. Engage your audience by showing them how to knit a simple blanket for cats. Encourage viewers to donate to Cats Protection during your stream.
- 2. Custom knitted items: Offer to knit custom blankets or other items for your viewers' cats. In return, ask for donations to support Cats Protection. This personal touch can make a big difference!
- 3. **Knitting challenges:** Set fun knitting challenges for yourself and your audience. For example, see how many small cat blankets you can knit in a month. Your viewers can donate based on your progress, or to influence what you do.

## Links to some of our favourite knitting guides

Whether you know all about trapping floats, or don't know how to garter stitch, knitting is an accessible way to jump into crafting. It's great on stream and brings a cosy vibe to any Just Chatting stream!

If you don't know where to start, don't be daunted, because there are so many resources out there no matter what level or pattern you're looking for. We've picked out a few to start you off, so hit 'go live' and cast on.

- 4. Collaborative projects: Invite your community to join you in a collaborative knitting project. Stream the process and create a large blanket or multiple small ones together. This is a great opportunity to get your community involved in raising awareness and funds for Cats Protection.
- **5. Crafting workshops:** Host live knitting workshops where you teach your audience how to knit cat blankets. Ask for an optional participation donation that goes to Cats Protection.

By streaming your knitting projects, you can entertain your audience and support a great cause at the same time.

How to knit for total beginners
youtube.com/watch?v=SpfLTb56fMc

How to knit for absolute beginners youtube.com/watch?v=z6dDwbSp6SQ

How to knit

sheepandstitch.com/how-to-knit/

How to knit

sarahmaker.com/how-to-knit/