

Cold Front for Dogs

Owners across the nation share their secrets to keeping dogs warm in winter.

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Chilly Chic Looking for products to make winter more comfortable for your dog? Consider the following cold-weather wares, available in pet stores and pet catalogs: There's a wide variety of sweaters, rain gear, ponchos, capes, fleece wraps, snowsuits and coats to keep your pup toasty and dressed to impress. Thermal dog beds, heating pads and bed warmers with sealed heating elements. Many use no more power than a 10- to 80-watt light bulb. Some can be used outdoors. But remember to use any thermal product with care, and follow all safety instructions to prevent burns and fires. Microwavable heating pads keep your pet's bed warm for hours with no electrical cords. Water bowls with heating elements keep your dog's water from freezing no matter how low the temperature. Pet doors allow your dog to come in from the cold. Insulated doghouses and other enclosures keep your dog out of the bad weather.

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