

Basic Socks

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Materials

2 skeins of fingering weight sock yarn
2.5 mm or 3 mm double pointed needles or size to obtain gauge

Gauge

7 - 8 sts/in.

Using double pointed needles, cast on 64 sts. Join and work in a round. Work K1, P1 ribbing for 1 inch.
Work stockinette stitch for 4 to 5 inches.

Heel Flap

Rearrange the stitches on the needles so that the first needle (Needle A) has 32 sts. Divide the remaining sts on the other two needles (Needles B & C) so that they have 16 sts each.

Over the next 32 sts on Needle A:

Row 1: *Sl 1, K 1* repeat between **s, turn.

Row 2: Sl 1, P across.

Work these 2 rows until you count 16 slip sts on each side.

Turn Heel

Row 1: Sl 1, K 17, SSK, K 1, turn.

Row 2: Sl 1, P 5, P 2tog, P 1, turn.

Row 3: Sl 1, K 6, SSK, K 1, turn.

Row 4: Sl 1, P 7, P2tog, P 1, turn.

Continue in this manner until 18 sts remain. Knit across the 18 sts on Needle A.

Gusset

Pick up 16 sts along side of heel flap (Needle A)

Knit instep sts and combine on one needle (Needle B)

Pick up 16 sts along side of heel flap and knit 9 sts from Needle A (Needle C)

Needle A & C should have 25 sts; Needle B should have 32 sts (82 sts total)

Decreasing:

Round 1: Knit to last 3 sts on Needle A - K2tog, K1. Knit across Needle B. At beginning of Needle C - K1, SSK, knit remaining sts.

Round 2: Knit

Continue alternating above rows until 16 sts remain on Needle A & C (64 total sts)

Work in stockinette stitch until sock measures 1 1/2" less than desired length.

Shape Toe

Round 1:

Needle A - K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K 1

Needle B - K 1, SSK, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K 1

Needle C - K 1, SSK, knit remaining sts

Round 2: Knit

Work Rnds 1 & 2 until 32 sts remain.

Work Rnd 1 until 8 sts remain.

Pull yarn through remaining 8 sts and secure to wrong side.

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