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Knitting Socks on 9-inch Circular Needles



GETTING STARTED



What You Will Need

- + Fingering Weight Yarn 400 yds/100 grams + Darning Needle
- + US Size 1, 9-inch Circular Needles
- + US Size 1 DPNs (optional)
- + Stitch Markers

Abbreviations

K: knit	K2TOG: knit two stitches together
P: purl	RS: right side of your work
S: slip a stitch (purl-wise)	WS: wrong side of your work
SSK: slip one stitch as if to knit, slip a second stitch as if to knit, then slide the left-hand needle into the front part of both stitches and knit them together	SM: slip stitch marker

- Scissors



CONSTRUCTION & INSTRUCTION

NOTES

Sock is knit from the cuff down using 9-inch circular needles, and uses the Kitchener Stitch to close the toe. Magic Loop or DPNs (optional) will be necessary to complete the toe decreases.

INSTRUCTIONS

CUFF

Cast on 64 stitches

Join in the round and place marker (first stitch marker) Start cuff with [K1, P1] pattern for 1.5 inches from cast on

LEG

Knit all the way around for 6 inches from the cast-on.



HEEL FLAP

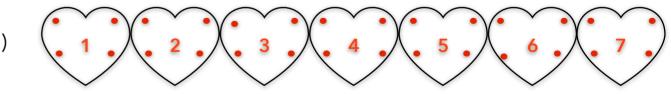


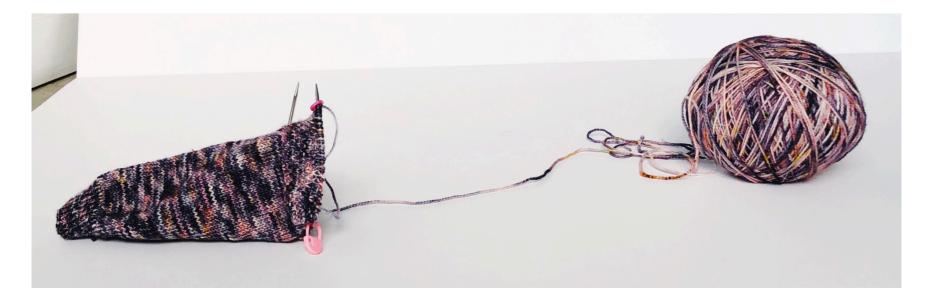


Turn work around to WS, starting at the stitch marker:

- + Row 1 (WS): K3, Purl until the end of the row.
 - <u>NOTE</u>: "the end of the row" = half of the stitches in the sock. So, for Row 1, you will K3, P29 which equals 32 total stitches (half of the 64 stitches for the sock).
 - <u>THEN</u>: place second stitch marker and turn the work around.
- * Row 2 (RS): P3 [K1, S1 repeat until last three stitches remain] K3. Turn Work.
- + Row 3 (WS): K3, Purl until the end of the row. Turn Work.
- * Row 4 (RS): P3 [S1, K1 repeat until last three stitches remain] K3. Turn Work.

Repeat [Rows 1-4] seven (7) more times.





HEEL TURN

- * Row 1 (WS): S1, P16, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- * Row 2 (RS): S1, K3, SSK, K1. Turn Work.
- * Row 3 (WS): S1, P4, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- * Row 4 (RS): S1, K5, SSK, K1. Turn Work.
- * Row 5 (WS): S1, P6, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- Row 6 (RS): S1, K7, SSK, K1. Turn Work.
- * Row 7 (WS): S1, P8, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- * Row 8 (RS): S1, K9, SSK, K1. Turn Work.
- * Row 9 (WS): S1, P10, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- * Row 10 (RS): S1, K11, SSK, K1. Turn Work.
- * Row 11 (WS): S1, P12, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- * Row 12 (RS): S1, K13, SSK, K1. Turn Work.
- * Row 13 (WS): S1, P14, P2TOG, P1. Turn Work.
- * Row 14 (RS): S1, K15, SSK, K1. Turn Work.

You should end with 18 stitches in this section.



PICK UP STITCHES

Turn the sock on its side so that the working yarn tail is in your right hand, and the Heel Flap is facing you.

Use your left needle to gently lift up 16 stitches from the heel flap edge onto your left needle.

Use the right needle to knit these new 16 stitches.

Then, pick up one (1) additional stitch from the gap and knit.

SM (first stitch marker), K32 (to other side of the heel flap), SM (second stitch marker).

Pick up one (1) stitch from the gap and knit.

Then, pick up 16 stitches along heel flap edge and knit.

You should end with 84 total stitches (52 sts on heel side, and 32 sts on top/cuff side).





GUSSET

For the Gusset, you are decreasing stitches along the heel side. The 32 sts on the top/cuff side remain.

Turn work around RS:

- Row 1: Knit until two stitches before the first knitting marker, SSK, SM, knit to second marker, SM, K2TOG.
- Row 2: Knit to three stitches before the first marker, K2TOG, K1, SM knit to second marker, SM, K1 SSK, knit to first marker.
- Row 3: SM, knit to second marker, SM, K1

Repeat [Rows 2-3] (ending after Row 3) until you end with 64 total stitches (32 stitches between each stitch marker). Knit to the first stitch marker.



FOOT

Starting at the first stitch marker, knit all the way around the sock until it is 1.5 inches shorter than the tip of your toes.



TOE (decreases)

<u>NOTE</u>: In this section, you will need to use the Magic Loop technique, or the optional DPNs.

Starting at the first stitch marker,

- Row 1: K1, SSK, knit until 3 stitches before the second stitch marker, K2TOG, K1, SM
 K1 SSK, knit until three stitches before the first stitch marker, K2TOG, K1, SM
- + Row 2: Knit round.

Repeat [Rows 1-2] until you have 28 total stitches (14 stitches between each stitch marker).

KITCHENER STITCH

Slide the stitches between each stitch marker onto the ends of your two knitting needles (14 stitches on each needle), and hold needles parallel with the working yarn on the back needle/second needle.



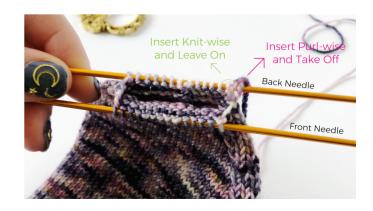
Cut about 10 inches of working yarn from ball. Thread the end of the yarn through darning needle.



Step 1: Insert the darning needle, knit wise, into the first stitch on the front/first needle and pull the stitch off the knitting needle. Then, insert the darning needle, purl wise into the new first stitch on the first needle but leave the stitch on the knitting needle.

Step 2: Insert the

darning needle, purl wise, in to the first stitch on the back/second needle and pull the stitch off the knitting needle. Then insert the darning needle, knit wise, into the new first stitch on the second needle but leave the stitch on the knitting needle.



Repeat these two steps until all stitches are pulled off the knitting needles. Weave in the ends.