

Warm Worsted Weight Socks



Size: Women's 9

Cuff to Toe

Gauge: 5.5 stitches = 1", 7.5 rows = 1".

Needles: US #6, set of 4 double points

Yarn Estimate: I was given the yarn so don't know the brand or yardage, but estimate you'll need approx. 267 yds total (which includes a small amount for the contrast color stripes, heels and toes) of a worsted weight yarn.

Cast on 44 stitches, and divide on 3 dp needles:

Needle #1: 11 heel stitches

Needle #2: 22 instep stitches

Needle #3: 11 heel stitches.

Join and work in the round in knit 2, purl 2 ribbing: Main color for 1", 2 rounds in Contrast Color for stripe, Main color until ribbing measures 2.5" from cast on. Work leg in stockinette stitch (knit every round) until leg measures 8" from cast on round. Work stitches on Needles #1 and #2.

HEEL:

Slip Needle #3 stitches onto Needle #1 (24 stitches); heel is worked on these stitches **using your Contrasting Color Yarn.**

With the right side of work facing you, work back and forth on these stitches:

Row 1: *Slip 1 st purlwise, k1. Repeat from * to end of row.

Row 2: Slip 1 st purlwise, purl to end of row.

Repeat these 2 rows until you have completed 22 rows.

TURN HEEL:

NOTE: Sl 1 – Slip stitch purlwise

Row 1: (Right Side) Knit 13, ssk, k1. Turn

Row 2: Sl 1, p5, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 3: Sl 1, k6, ssk, k1. Turn.

Row 4: Sl 1, p7, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 5: Sl 1, k8, ssk, k1. Turn.

Row 6: Sl 1, p9, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 7: Sl 1, k10, ssk, k1. Turn.

Row 8: Sl 1, p11, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Work 7 stitches. You should now be at the middle of the heel stitches.

HEEL GUSSET:

With free needle, **your Main Color** yarn and right side of work facing, knit the second half of the heel stitches (Needle #1). Continuing with the same needle, pick up 11 stitches along the side of the heel, then pick up and knit 1 stitch from the row below the first instep stitch to prevent a hole here (you can knit through the back loop of this stitch in desired). Needle #1: 19 stitches.

With another needle, knit across the 22 instep stitches (Needle #2).

With free needle, pick up and knit 1 stitch from the row below the first instep stitch to prevent a hole here (you can knit through the back loop of this stitch in desired), then pick up 11 stitches along the side of the heel and work across the remaining heel stitches. Needle #3: 19 stitches.

SHAPE GUSSET:

Decrease Round: Work to 3 stitches from end of Needle #1, k2tog, k1. Needle #2 (instep) work even (knit all stitches). Needle #3: k1, ssk, work to end.

Next Round: work even.

Repeat these 2 rounds until there are 44 stitches remaining.

FOOT:

Continue working even in stockinette stitch until foot measures 8” from back of heel or approximately 2” shorter than desired foot length.

SHAPE TOE:

Using **Contrasting Color yarn**, work toe shaping:

Round 1:

Needle #1: Work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Needle #2: K1, ssk, work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

Needle #3: K1, ssk, work to end of round.

Round 2:

Work even.

Repeat these two rounds until 24 sts remain (10 rounds).

Work Round 1 only until 12 sts remain.

FINISHING:

Place remaining stitches on 2 needles (6 on each needle) and graft toes using Kitchener Stitch. Weave in ends. Work 2nd sock.

ABBREVIATIONS:

K: Knit

P: Purl

P2tog: Purl 2 stitches together

Sl: Slip

SSK: slip, slip, knit these 2 stitches together