

Just your basic sock

The name says it all- a basic stocking stitch sock, worked from the top down with a short row heel.

Yarn: 100g 4 ply sock yarn; shown in Regia 4 ply shade 06607.

Needles: 2.5 mm either double pointed needles or circular(s) for working in the round on a small circumference.

Notions: Tapestry needle, stitch marker.

Skills: Cast on, knit, purl, knitting in the round, short rows, wrap and turn, decreasing stitches, grafting stitches, weaving in ends.



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Gauge: 32 stitches and 44 rows over 10 cm in stocking stitch.

Sizing: Pattern gives stitch counts for small (medium, large, extra large) with a finished circumference of 17 (19, 20, 22) cm.

Abbreviations:

k knit

k2tog knit two stitches together

p purl

pm place stitch marker

Rnd(s) round(s)

sm slip marker from left needle to right

ssk slip two stitches knitwise, knit these two stitches together

sts stitches

wt wrap and turn

Techniques:

Wrap and turn (wt)

To wrap stitches:

Bring yarn to front of work

Slip next stitch to right needle

Wrap yarn around slipped stitch

Slip stitch back to left needle

To pick up wraps:

Slip wrapped stitch onto right needle.

Using left needle pick up the wrap.

Slip the stitch back from the right needle onto the left.

Work the stitch and wrap together to form one stitch.

Cast on:

Cast on 54 (60, 66, 72) stitches, the long tail cast on is a good choice to accommodate the stretch of the ribbing but any stretchy cast on will work.

Divide over double pointed needles or circular(s) and join for knitting in the round, placing a stitch marker to show the start of the round. Be careful not to twist the stitches as you join.

Ribbing:

Rnd 1: *k1, p1; repeat from * around

Repeat round one for a total of 8 (10, 10, 12) rounds.

Leg:

Rnd 2: knit all stitches.

Repeat round two for 45 (45, 50, 50) rnds or until leg is desired length.

Heel:

The heel is worked flat over half the stitches using the short row method. The unused stitches can be stored on spare double pointed needles or a circular needle.

Row 1: remove marker, wt.

Row 2: p27 (30, 33, 35), wt.

Row 3: k to 1 stitch before wrapped stitch, wt.

Row 4: p to 1 stitch before wrapped stitch, wt.

Repeat rows three and four until 11 (12, 15, 15) stitches remain unwrapped, you will finish after a wrong side row.

Row 5: k to first wrapped stitch, pick up wrap and k with stitch, wt.

Row 6: p to first wrapped stitch, pick up wrap and p with stitch, wt.

Row 7: k to next wrapped stitch, pick up wraps and k with stitch, wt.

Row 8: p to next wrapped stitch, pick up wraps and p with stitch, wt.

Repeat rows seven and eight until two double wrapped stitches remain, ending after a wrong side row.

Row 9: k to next wrapped stitch, pm for the beginning of the round.

Foot:

Rnd 3: k all stitches.

Repeat round three until foot is 4 (4.5, 4.5, 5.5) cm less than desired total length.

Toe:

Rnd 4: k27 (30, 33, 36), pm, k to end of rnd.

Rnd 5: *k1, ssk, k to 1 st before marker, k2tog, k1, sm; repeat from * around.

Rnd 6: knit all sts.

Repeat rounds five and six until 16 (20, 24, 24) sts remain.

Graft toe stitches together using Kitchener stitch.

Finishing:

Weave in ends

Make a second sock to match the first.

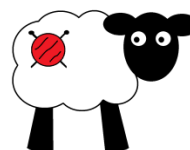
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