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New Year's Day Socks:



Materials: ca. 100 g of any medium-weight sock yarn; set of 5 double-pointed needles, in size required to obtain correct gauge.

Gauge: 28 - 30 sts = 4" (10 cm) in stockinette stitch, worked in the round - depends on the elasticity of the yarn you're using.

Abbreviations:

k: knit

yo: yarn over

k2tog: knit two stitches together

skp: slip one st knitwise, k next st, pass slipped st over

C3F: slip next 3 sts onto cable needle and hold at front of work, knit next 3 sts from left-hand needle, then knit sts from cable needle.

Leg Stitch Pattern:

Round 1: *k1, yo, k2, skp, k6, k2tog, k2, yo, k1 - repeat from *

Round 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10: k all st

Round 3: *k2, yo, k2, skp, k4, k2tog, k2, yo, k2 - repeat from *

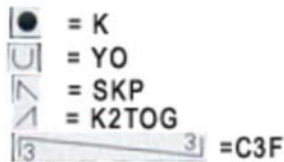
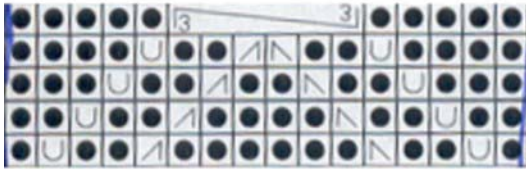
Round 5: *k3, yo, k2, skp, k2, k2tog, k2, yo, k3 - repeat from *

Round 7: *k4, yo, k2, skp, k2tog, k2, yo, k4 - repeat from *

Round 9: *k5, C3F, k5 - repeat from *

Repeat these 10 rows until desired length.

If you prefer to work this pattern with a chart, please use the following image:



Cuff:

Loosely cast on 64 st, divide onto 3 dpns (16 - 32 - 16), place marker and join for working in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Work 10 rounds in k2p2 rib stitch.

Leg:

Work in leg pattern until desired length.

Heel Flap:

Slide 16 sts of needle 3 onto needle 1. Working back and forth on these 32 st:

Row 1 (RS): Sl 1, k to end.

Row 2 (WS): Sl 1, p to end.

Repeat these two rows 15 times (30 rows).

Turn heel:

Row 1 [RS]: K21, skp, k1. Turn.

Row 2: Sl 1, p11, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 3: Sl 1, k12, skp, k1. Turn.

Row 4: Sl 1, p13, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 5: Sl 1, k14, skp, k1. Turn.

Row 6: Sl 1, p15, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 7: Sl 1, k16, skp, k1. Turn.

Row 8: Sl 1, p17, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Row 9: Sl 1, k18, skp, k1. Turn.

Row 10: Sl 1, p19, p2tog, p1. Turn.

22 sts remain, divide these onto 2 needles.

Gusset:

With Needle 1, k 11 sts, then pick up 15 sts along the side of the heel flap plus 1 st in the gap between heel flap and Needle 2 (=27 sts).

Needle 2: K next 32 sts (instep).

Needle 3: With an empty needle, pick up and k 1 st in the gap between the instep sts and the heel flap, plus 15 st along the side of the heel flap. K 11 sts from the heel onto needle 3 (= 27 sts).

Now we have on Needle 1: 27 sts; Needle 2: 32 sts; Needle 3: 27 sts.) The remainder of the sock is worked on 3 needles.

Round 1:

N1: Work to 3 sts from end, k2tog, k1.

N2: Cont in pattern.

N3:K1, skp, work to end.

Round 2:

Work even.

Repeat these 2 rnds until there are 64 sts remaining [N1:16 sts, N2: 32 sts, N3: 16 sts].

Foot:

Continue in leg pattern for the instep and stockinette on the sole until foot measures 2" (about 5 cm) less than the desired foot length.

Toe:

Divide st evenly on 4 needles.

Work decrease rounds as follows:

Needle 1: k to last 3 st, k2tog, k1

Needle 2: k1, skp, k to the end

Needle 3: k to last 3 st, k2tog, k1

Needle 4: k1, skp, k to the end.

Round 1: Decrease round.

Round 2, 3 and 4: k all sts without decreasing.

Round 5: Decrease round

Round 6 and 7: k all sts without decreasing.

Round 8: Decrease round

Round 9 and 10: k all sts without decreasing.

Round 11: Decrease round

Round 12 : k all sts without decreasing

Round 13: Decrease round

Round 14: k all sts without decreasing

Round 15: Decrease round

Round 16: k all sts without decreasing

Repeat Round 1 only until 8 sts remain. Cut yarn leaving an 8" (20.5cm) tail. Thread tail through these 8 sts with a tapestry needle, pull tight to close the gap between the st and fasten off on inside of sock. Enjoy the socks!

