

WhimsyKnits Patterns

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Simply Sweet Socks

These classic and simple baby socks are a breeze to knit for that special baby. They are also a wonderful charity project. The ribbing extends down the instep for a snug fit.

Size: Newborn, heel to toe length = 3"

Gauge: 6 sts = 1"

Materials:

Yarn: Simply Soft yarn (worsted weight)

Needles: US#4 DPNs (or size needed to obtain gauge)



CO 24 sts with long tail cast on. Join to form circle being careful not to twist sts.
Divide stitches equally onto 4 DPNs

LEG:

Work K1, P1 ribbing for 2"

HEEL FLAP (worked on 12 sts):

Row 1: [Slip 1 PW, K1] repeat across, turn

Row 2: Slip 1 PW, Purl across, turn

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 five times (10 rows total)

TURN HEEL:

Row 1: Slip 1 PW, K6, K2tog, K1, turn

Row 2: Slip 1 PW, P3, P2tog, P1, turn

Row 3: Slip 1 PW, K4, K2tog, K1, turn

Row 4: Slip 1 PW, P5, P2tog, P1, turn

8 sts remaining

GUSSETT:

Needle 1: Knit 4 across heel, PM, Knit 4

(the rounds will now start at the marker which is in the center of the heel)

Pick up 5 sts from side of heel flap

Needle 2: Knit across instep sts (6), keeping in K1, P1 ribbing pattern as established

Needle 3: Knit across instep sts (6), keeping in K1, P1 ribbing pattern as established

Needle 4: Pick up 5 sts from opposite side of heel flap, Knit 4 to marker

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GUSSETT DECREASES:

- Round 1: Needle 1 – knit to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1
Needles 2 & 3 – knit instep sts in pattern
Needle 4 – K1, SSK, knit to marker
- Round 2: Needle 1 – knit
Needles 2 & 3 – knit instep sts in pattern
Needle 4 – knit

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 three times (total of 6 rounds)

FOOT:

Continue knitting Round 2 until sock measures 2" from the back of the heel

TOE DECREASES:

The instep sts will now be worked in stockinette stitch, no further ribbing

- Round 1: Knit all sts on all needles
- Round 2: Needle 1 – Knit to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1
Needle 2 – K1, SSK, knit to end
Needle 3 -- Knit to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1
Needle 4 – K1, SSK, knit to end

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 twice (4 rounds)

Repeat round 2 two times (8 sts remaining)

Knit to end of heel

Cut yarn leaving a 6" tail. Using a tapestry needle thread yarn end through remaining sts and cinch tight. Weave in all ends.