

Tiny feet



Size: S-M (32 stitches)

For each sock you need:

Soft 4-ply sock yarn (209 - 210 m/50g) (about 25 - 30 g). Merino, cotton, similar...

5 double pointed needles 2.5mm (15 cm length)

Tapestry needle to weave in the ends.

Knitting gauge: 2 x 2 cm = about 6 stitches und 7 rows

Cast on 8 double loops (16 stitches) with Turkish cast-on, figure 8 cast-on (as shown in the photograph) or Judy's Magic cast-on.

Figure 8 Cast On

Hold the two needles next to each other but a bit apart, holding one needle over the other. Make a loop knot and put it on the needle above.

Put the yarn from the back around the needle below, turn it around the needle so that the yarn comes up at the front, pull it between the needles, from the back around the needle above. Pull it over the needle above, turn it round the above needle so that it comes down between the needles again, pull it from the back around the needle below again... It looks like you are doing figure 8 all the time.

Repeat until you have 8 loops (stitches) on each needle.



Note: you have to pull tight and also knit the first row tight to get a nice toe.

Then start knitting the 8 stitches from the needle above.

Turn your knitting that the needle below is now the needle above.

You may have to tighten up the loose stitches from the needle first.

Knit stitches through back loop.

Use yarn tail to mark the beginning of the round.

2.round: Knit 1 stitch, make 1 stitch from the loop between the two stitches by knitting it through back loop, knit until you reach the stitch before the last stitch of

half of the stitches. Make 1 stitch.

Do the same on the other side of the sock.

Repeat round 1 (knitted round without increases) and 2 until you have 32 stitches (8 stitches on each of the 4 needles).

Repeat round 1 once again.

Your toe is finished.

For the multicolor socks, simply knit in rounds until foot measures from toe upwards 6 cm.

For the green socks, knit the following pattern over needle 1 and 2 (first 16 stitches) until foot measures from toe upwards 6 cm.

* purl 1, knit 1 through back loop*. Repeat *.

Knit the heel over needle 3 and 4 only.

Don't knit the last stitch of the last round, but put a loop around it.

Turn your knitting. Purl 14 stitches. Make loop around next stitch. Turn your knitting. Knit 13 stitches. Make loop around next stitch. Turn your knitting. Purl 12 stitches. Make loop around next stitch.

Repeat these steps until only 8 non-wrapped stitches remain.

Half of the heel is finished.

Knit to the first wrapped stitch. Put the loop and the stitch on the left needle and knit them together through back loop.

Put a loop around the next stitch. There are now 2 loops around the next stitch. Turn your knitting, purl 8 stitches, purl wrapped stitch and loop together.

Put loop around next stitch.

Turn your knitting.

Continue in this way until all wrapped stitches are knitted/purled together with their loop(s). This was the heel.

Note: you can knit any other heel you prefer. This is just a heel suggestion.

For both socks: increase two stitches between 1st and 2nd needle (from the loop between the stitches) and 3rd and 4th needle to avoid a hole when joining the heel with the rest of the sock.

Decrease these stitches in the next two rounds as follows:

1st and 2nd needle: slip 1 stitch, knit a stitch, pull slipped stitch over the the knitted stitch.

3rd and 4th needle: knit 2 stitches together.

During the increases and decreases continue knitting in the round again.

For the green socks, do the ribbing pattern over the first two needles, when you have to decrease at a purl stitch, purl 2 together in order to keep to the ribbing pattern.

For the multicolor sock, continue knitting in the round,

After the increase, decrease rounds, knit the ribbing over all stitches on all needles:

* purl 1, knit 1 through back loop*. Repeat * over the whole round.

This applies for both socks!

Do ribbing for about 7 - 8 cm (or as long as you like it to be)

Cast off with the Russian bind-off (this gives a more stretchy bind-off):

Purl 1 stitch, knit 1 stitch through back loop. Put both stitches back to left needle and knit them together through back loop.

Then purl the next stitch, put both stitches back on the left needle and knit them together through back loop...

Continue in this way until all stitches are cast-off. Weave in all ends.

Finished!

Note:

Alternatively the socks can be knitted top down.

Then cast on 32 stitches and start with the ribbing.

Knit heel as described (alternatively you can knit any favorite heel you have ;-)

Knit foot for about 4 cm (measured from end of heel to start of toe).

Decrease for toe in each second row 4 stitches at the sides of the socks. (1st

and 3rd needle. Knit 1st stitch and knit 2 stitches together., 2nd and 4th needle, slip stitch before last stitch, knit 2nd stitch, pull slipped stitch over knitted stitch) until only 16 stitches remain (8 stitches on each side of the socks).

Graft the 8 stitches of front together with the 8 stitches of the back of the sock.

Happy knitting!