



Natty's Simple Socks

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Size:

Woman's Medium (leg=7.5", foot=7.5")

Yarn:

Shalimar Yarn Zoe Sock (450 yds/4 oz.) in colorway Tide Pool

Needles:

Set of U.S. #2 double points or size needed to obtain correct gauge

Notions

Stitch markers; yarn needle

Gauge:

28 sts and 44 rows = 4" (10 cm) worked in St st in the rnd. Adjust needle size as necessary to obtain gauge.



Pattern Stitches

Beaded Rib

Rnd 1: K2, *P1, K4, rep from * to end

Rnd 2: Knit

Cuff

Cast on 60 sts. Divide stitches evenly over three needles. Using an interlocking join, and being careful not to twist the stitches, work in the round in k2, p2 rib for 11/2".

Leg

Begin pattern stitch and work until sock measures 7-7 1/2" from cast on edge.

Divide for Heel

Slip 10 sts from needle 2 to needle 1. Slip rem. 10 sts. from needle 2 to needle 3. You now have 30 sts. on needle 1 for the heel flap and 30 sts. on needle 3 for the instep.

Heel Flap

Working back and forth across needle 1

Row 1 (RS): Sl1, *k1, sl1 as if to knit, rep. from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): Sl1, purl to end.

Repeat these two rows 13 more times for a total of 28 rows. End RS row.

Turn Heel

Beginning with RS facing, work over 30 sts.

Row 1: K 20, SKP, turn

Row 2: Sl1, p10, p2tog, turn

Row 3: Sl1, k10, SKP, turn

Repeat rows 2 & 3 until all sts. have been worked. K1 row over all sts.

Pick up stitches for Gussets

With needle 1 (the needle holding heel stitches), pick up and k 14 sts down the left side of the heel flap.

With a second needle, knit 30 instep stitches. With a third needle, pick up and knit 14 stitches up the right side of the heel flap. Knit 6 stitches from needle 1. Place marker

Note: The new beginning of the round is now the center of the heel.

Work the first row of the picked up stitches through the back loop.

Gusset Decreases

Rnd 1: Work to last two sts of needle 1 and k2tog. Work instep sts over needle 2. At the beginning of needle 3 work SKP.

Rnd 2: Knit

Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until there are 30 sts. on ea. needle.

Foot

Continue in pattern until 2" before the desired length. Work sole stitches in st. st. and instep stitches in pattern stitch.

Toe Decreases

Dec. Rnd: On needle 1, work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on needle 2, k1, SKP, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on needle 3, k1, SKP, work to end.

Dec. Rnd
Work 3 Rnds
Dec. Rnd
Work 3 Rnds
Dec. Rnd
Work 2 Rnds
Dec. Rnd
Work 2 Rnds
Dec. Rnd
Work 2 Rnds
Dec. Rnd
Work 1 Rnd
Dec. Rnd
Work 1 Rnd

Place stitches on 2 needles and graft together using Kitchner stitch. Weave in ends.

*Every effort has been made to ensure that this pattern is accurate and complete. In spite of our hard work and diligence, however, mistakes do happen. Please contact ShalimarYarns@aol.com if a mistake is found.

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