

magic loop socks (stockinette)

Cast on 60 Stitches on US Size 1 or 2 circulars (32 inch)

Divide the stitches: 30 on one needle and 30 on the other side. Join for the magic loop method.

Cuff: Knit 1, Purl 1 for 1-1 1/2 inches. Knit until cuff measures 6-7 inches.

Begin Heel Flap (use 1/2 of the stitches) and work back and forth (leaving the other 30 stitches on the cable):

Row 1: (wrong side) Slip 1 (as to purl), Purl to end

Row 2: (right side) Slip 1 (as to knit). Knit 1, Slip 1 (as to purl) across the row.

Repeat rows 1 & 2 until heel flap is 2 3/4 inches long (or 26 rows). End with a right side row.

Turning the Heel:

Row 1: (wrong side) Slip 1 (as to purl) and purl 16, P2tog, P1—this leaves 10 on the left needle. Turn.

Row 2: (right side) \$1 (as to knit) and K5, SSK, K1—this leaves 10 on the left needle again. Turn. Notice: there will be a small gap between working stitches that form the heel turn and the unworked heel stitches.

Row 3: (wrong side) \$1 (as to P), P to within 1 stitch of the gap, P2tog, P1, turn.

Row 4: (right side) \$1 (as to K), K to within 1 stitch of the gap, SSK, K1 turn.

Repeat rows 3 & 4, working 1 additional knit or purl stitch until all the side stitches are worked. End with a knit row. There will be 18 stitches left on the needle.

Pick up stitches along the side of the heel flap (@10-15), slide them onto the cable with the heel stitches, K across the front stitches. Slide stitches onto the cable (keeping them separate from the heel stitches).

Pick up stitches along the other side of the heel flap (pick up the same number as you picked up on the other side), K the rest of the heel stitches onto the same needle.

K across the front stitches again.

(You will have 30 stitches across the front, and 38-42 stitches on the back—heel side)

Gussett:

Row 1: (heel side) K1, SSK, K to last 3 stitches, K2tog, K1. (Front side) knit.

Row 2: (heel side) K. (Front side) knit.

Continue these 2 rows until you are back to your original 60 stitches (30 on the back and 30 on the front)

Then continue to Knit back stitches and front stitches until you are within 2 inches of your foot length.

Toe Decrease:

On both needles:

Row 1: K1, SSK, K to last 3 stitches, K2tog, K1

Row 2: K around

Continue until you have 8 stitches in the front and 8 stitches in the back. End knitting at the side of toe on the front side.

Cut yarn leaving about 8 inches.

Close toe with Kitchner stitch.