

Fingering-Weight Toe-Up Socks for Magic Loop



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Materials

Yarn: 150-400 yds fingering-weight yarn (amount of yarn needed depends on length of cuff - 200 yds are needed for a pair of crew-length socks).

If working two socks at one time, you'll need two separate balls of yarn.

Gauge: 7 sts/in in St st.

Needles: 1 or 2 40-inch circular needle(s) OR set of DPNs, in whatever size required for YOU to obtain gauge. I used US #2. What kind of needles you require depends on how you prefer to knit in the round.

I prefer Magic Loop, which requires one circular needle.

Notions: Stitch markers, tapestry needle, scissors.

Sizes: S, M, L

Finished Measurements: Foot circumference: 7[8,9] inches
Length: customizable to exact foot length

Abbreviations/Terms:

BOR - Beginning of Round

CO - Cast On

Instep - The half of the sock that goes around the front of the ankle

K2TOG - Knit 2 Together

M1L - Make One Left

M1R - Make One Right

P2TOG - Purl 2 Together

PM - Place Marker

SI 1 - Slip 1 (purlwise)

SSK - Slip, Slip, Knit

Toe

For all sizes, using Judy's Magic Cast-On, CO 12(16,20) sts, 6(8,10) on each needle. Prepare to knit in the round. PM into stitch to indicate BOR.

Round 1 (plain round): Knit

Round 2 (increase round): (K1, M1L, K to last st on needle, M1R, K1), repeat on other needle.

Repeat Rounds 1-2 until there are 24(28,32) sts on each needle [48(56,64) sts total].

Foot

Knit in the round until sock reaches the front of your ankle. Hint: try the sock on and pull it as snug as you like your socks. Flex your foot. Does the knitting reach your ankle? Then stop and go to the gusset.

Gusset

Round 1:

Needle 1 (heel needle): K1, M1L, K to last st on needle, M1R, K1.

Needle 2 (instep needle): Knit.

Round 2: Knit.

Repeat Rounds 1-2 until the heel needle contains 46(54,62) sts.

Turn Heel

Begin working back and forth across heel as follows: PM at midpoint between sts.

Row 1: K to 2 sts beyond marker, SSK, K1, turn.

Row 2: Sl 1, P5 removing marker as you come to it, P2tog, P1, turn.

Row 3: Sl 1, K6, SSK, K1, turn.

Row 4: Sl 1, P7, P2tog, P1, turn.

Row 5: Sl 1, K8, SSK, K1, turn.

Continue working back-and-forth as established: working up to the "gap" and working the two sts on either side of the "gap" together, working one more, then turning.

When your K1 after your SSK is the last st in the heel, resume knitting in the round.

Knit across instep needle. Then...

Round 1:

Needle 1 (heel needle): K1, K2tog, K to end of needle [26 (30, 34) sts on heel needle].

Needle 2 (instep needle): Knit.

Round 2:

Needle 1 (heel needle): K1, SSK, K to last 3 sts on needle, K2tog, K1.

Needle 2 (instep needle): Knit.

Leg

Knit in the round until the cuff is as long as you like (try it on again!). If making socks with a cuff longer than 7 or 8 inches, try on the sock at one-to-two-inch intervals, working the following increase round when the cuff feels snug:

Optional Increase Round for Knee Socks:

Needle 1 (heel needle): K1, M1L, K to end of needle.

Needle 2 (instep needle): K1, M1L, K to end of needle.

Cuff

Round 1: *K1, P1, rep from * to end of round.

Continue working in 1 x 1 rib until ribbed section of cuff measures 1-3 in. (1 inch for crew socks, 2-3 inches for knee socks).

BO using the Invisible Ribbed Bind-Off or any other stretchy bind-off.

Using tapestry needle, weave in all ends securely. Block (optional) and enjoy.

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