





# **Towanda Socks**

Designed by Heather Hill

### **SIZES**

**Adult Medium** 

### **FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

Foot Circumference: 8" Foot Length: Adjustable

# **MATERIALS**

Universal Yarn Deluxe DK Superwash (100% superwash wool; 100g/284 yds)

• 861 Teal Rustic – 1 ball

Needles: US Size 4 (3.5 mm) set of DPNs

or size needed to obtain gauge

**Notions:** Stitch markers, tapestry needle

## **GAUGE**

24 sts x 34 rows = 4" in St st Save time, check your gauge.

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#### **PATTERN NOTES**

When someone knit-worthy requests something, it only makes sense to oblige. That was the case with these socks – Heather's mother wanted a cozy yet hardy basic pair of DK-weight socks. The Towanda socks are the result. They're even named after the town where her mother grew up. Quick to knit – you'll want to knit a pair for everyone you know (including yourself).

The Towanda socks are knit from the toe up with a heel flap and gusset. In this pattern, all slipped stitches are worked purlwise with yarn in back.

#### **STITCH GUIDE**

K2, P2 Rib

(multiple of 4 sts)

**Rnd 1:** \* K2, p2; rep from \* to end.

Rep Rnd 1 for patt.

# Judy's Magic Cast On (JMCO)

Hold two needles in your right hand, they will be referred to as the front and back needle. Place the yarn over the back needle with the working end hanging between the two needles and the tail hanging in the back – 1 st CO.

- 1. Hold the 2 ends in your left hand with the tail around your index finger and the working yarn around your thumb.
- 2. Bring the tail forward and wrap around the front needle from front to back, and down between the needles –1 st CO front needle.
- 3. Bring the working yarn up between the 2 needles, the over the back needle from front to back 1 st CO back needle.

Rep steps 3-4 until the correct number of stitches have been CO, ending with step 3.

#### **SOCKS**

Make two.

### Toe

Using JMCO, cast on 24 sts. Evenly distribute sts between dpns. PM and join to knit in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

**Set-up Rnd 1:** K12, pm, k12.

Inc Rnd: \* K1, m1R, knit to 1 st bef m, m1L; rep from \* one more time – 4 sts inc'd, 28 sts.

Even Rnd: Knit to end.

Rep Inc Rnd and Even Rnd, 5 more times – 20 sts inc'd, 48 sts.

#### Foot

Work even in St st until foot meas 7" or 2" less than your desired foot length.

### Gusset

**Rnd 1:** Knit to m, sl m, k1, m1L, knit to 1 st bef end, m1R, k1 – 2 sts inc'd, 50 sts.

Rnd 2: Knit to end.

Rep Rnds 1-2, 6 more times – 12 sts inc'd, 24 Instep sts, 38 Gusset sts; 62 sts total.

#### **Heel Turn**

**Setup Row (RS):** K51, m1L, turn – 1 st inc'd. **Row 1 (WS):** Sl 1, p16, m1p, turn – 1 st inc'd.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, k15, m1L, turn – 1 st inc'd.

Row 3: Sl 1, p14, m1p; turn – 1 st inc'd.

**Row 4:** Sl 1, k13, m1L, turn – 1 st inc'd.

**Row 5:** Sl 1, p12, m1p, turn – 1 st inc'd.

**Row 6:** Sl 1, k11, m1L, turn – 1 st inc'd.

Row 7: Sl 1, p10, m1p, turn – 1 st inc'd; 24 Instep sts, 46 Gusset sts; 70 sts total.

## **Heel Flap**

Note: Decreases occur over gusset sts throughout this section.

Set-up Row (RS): Sl 1, k16, ssk, turn.

**Set-up Row 2 (WS):** Sl 1, p22, p2tog, turn.

**Row 1:** [Sl 1, k1] 11 times, sl 1, ssk, turn.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, p22, p2tog, turn.

**Row 3:** [K1, sl] 11 times, k1, ssk, turn.

Row 4: Rep Row 2.

Rep Rows 1-4, 3 more times, then rows 1-2 1 more time – 1 unworked st rem each side of Heel Flap.

#### Leg

**Set-up Rnd:** [Sl 1, k1] 11 times, sl 1, ssk, knit 24 instep sts, k2tog, knit to end. PM to denote new bor – 48 sts rem.

Rnd 1: Work in K2, P2 Rib to end.

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Rep Rnd 1 until leg meas approx. 8½", or desired length, from bottom of heel. Bind off all sts loosely in patt.

**FINISHING** 

Gently wash and block to finished measurements. Weave in ends.

**Abbreviations** 

approx
approximately
bef
before
bor
cont
cont
dec('d)
dpn(s)
inc('d)
approximately
before
beginning of round
cont
continue
decrease(d)
double pointed needle(s)
increase(d)

k knitk2tog knit 2 stitches together (1 st

dec'd) m marker

m1L insert left needle from front to back under horizontal strand of

yarn lying between st just worked and next st, knit or purl

this st through the back loop (1 st

inc'd)

m1P insert left needle from back to

front under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked and next st, purl this st through the front loop (1 st inc'd) m1R insert left needle from back to

front under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked and next st, knit or purl

this st through the front loop (1

st inc'd) measures

purl

p2tog purl 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

pm place marker
rem remain(ing)
rep repeat
rnd round
RS right side
sl slip

meas

р

ssk slip next 2 sts individually

knitwise, slip them back to left needle in this position, knit them together through the back loops

(1 st dec'd)

St st Stockinette stitch (knit on RS

rows, purl on WS rows; in the

rnd, knit every rnd)

st(s) stitch(es)WS wrong side

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