

CROCHET

Fireside Socks

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YARNVILLE
ON RAVELRY



HOOK: Size B/1 (2.25 mm) hook

NOTIONS LIST: tapestry needle, stitch markers (5)

YARN: Uru. Scoot Sock, 70% Extra Fine Merino, 20% Baby Alpaca, 10% Nylon, fingering weight, 400 yds (366 m) / 100 g, 1 skein used for this project (all sizes)

COLORWAY: Berry Bright

SKILL LEVEL: Advanced

GAUGE

NOTE: Checking your gauge is very important. If your gauge swatch is larger than the gauge given, you may run out of yarn. Since making the Back Ankle/Gusset, and the Bottom/Sole of Sock sections of the sock would take about the same amount of time as it would to crochet a 4" x 4" (10 x 10cm) square, follow the directions for the sock and check your measurements as you go.

CHECKING GAUGE: Follow the directions for the Back Ankle/Gusset through to the end of that section, but before you fasten off, check your measurements. You should have a trapezoid that measures 3" (7.5 cm) (across the ribbed top edge) x 4.75" (12 cm) across the bottom edge x 4.75" (12 cm) tall (3.5" (9 cm) tall for Large & Extra Large Sizes).

To check gauge for sc section, follow directions for Bottom/Sole of Sock through the last row. Check measurements. You should have a trapezoid that measures 3.25" (8 cm) across the toe edge of sock, 5" (12.5 cm) across opposite edge (heel opening edge) and 4.5" (11.5 cm) long (from toe edge to heel edge).

NOTE: If you prefer to make a more traditional square gauge swatch to check gauge, use the following information. Please note that you will need to unravel your swatches in order to have enough yarn to complete your project.

27 sts & 31 rows = 4" (10 cm) in sc worked in turned rows.

SIZE / MEASUREMENTS / DIMENSIONS

SOCKS ARE WRITTEN FOR 4 FOOT LENGTHS: S (M, L, XL). Foot length of socks measure 8 (8.5, 9, 9.5)" (20.5 (21.5, 23, 24) cm) but can be customized to any length. These socks are stretchy and fit best if sock measures .5 to 1" (1.25 to 2.5 cm) shorter than the actual foot measurement. Sample shown measures 6.75" (17 cm) in circumference around ankle, has sole measuring 8.5" (21.5 cm) from corner of heel to tip of toe, and measures 6.5" (16.5 cm) from corner of heel to top edge of ribbed cuff.

Socks measure 6.75" (17 cm) in circumference around ankle and 7" (18 cm) in circumference around foot (not including gussets which increase in circumference as you get closer to the heel). Sock will stretch about 5" (12.5 cm) in circumference to be able to fit over your heel. These socks are quite stretchy and will accommodate a wide foot as written. Notes for making a narrower sock are included within pattern.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A LONGER FOOT: For the two largest sizes of this pattern, you will need to crochet a sock with a shorter leg length in order to have enough yarn for a longer foot. Directions for size L and XL both include this modification. If you have purchased extra yarn, you can of course make a L or XL sock with the longer leg length.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUES & STITCHES

HDCBB: Half double crochet through the back bar (worked in the round). This is just a regular hdc st made into the back bar of the previous round of sts. The back bar is the horizontal dash on the WS of a hdc st situated about halfway between the top and bottom of the stitch. When you work into this stitch, you will slide your hook through the bar from top to bottom (in a downward motion).

HDC2TOGBB: Half double crochet two stitches together through the back bar (worked in the round). This is a hdc decrease stitch worked into the back bars of the next 2 sts. Yo, insert your hook (in a downward motion) through the back bar of next stitch, insert your hook through the back bar of the following stitch, yo and pull up loop (pulling just through the two back bars), yo and pull through all 3 loops on hook.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Ch: chain

Blo: back loop only

Hdc: half double crochet

Hdc2tog: half double crochet 2 together

hdcbb: half double crochet through the back bar

Hdc2togbb: half double crochet two stitches together through the back bar

Rs: right side

Sc: single crochet

Sl st: slip stitch

St(s): stitch(es)

Ws: wrong side

Yo: yarn over

NOTES

SHORT ROWS: In this pattern we work back in forth in short rows to add shaping for heel. This means that you work a few specified stitches, then you make a turning chain, and turn your work, and then you make a few more stitches, make a turning chain, turn your work, etc. This can create a stair-step appearance along an edge. This is normal and at times you will be instructed to work along the stair-step edge. This means that as you work along an edge, you may get to the edge of a step, and if you are required to work more stitches before turning your work you will work them into the stitches on the step above or below.

THE BOTTOM OF THE CHAIN: This is also known as the back, backside, or bottom ridge loop of a chain stitch. This is the part of the chain stitch that is opposite of the two loops that form the "v" that you would normally insert your hook under. If you turn the chain upside down, you will see a line of dashes. Insert your hook under this dash if you are instructed to crochet into the bottom of each chain stitch.

Instructions

Make 2 (right and left socks worked the same)

BACK ANKLE/GUSSET

Ch 37 (37, 29, 29).

Work Short row series as follows:

Beginning with the 2nd ch from hook and working into the bottom of the chain, hdc in next 2 chains, sl st in next 2 chains, ch 1; turn, sl st blo in next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts, ch 1; turn, sl st blo next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts hdc in the next 2 chains, sl st in next 2 chains, ch 1; turn, sl st blo in next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 2 sts, ch 1; turn, hdc blo in next 2 sts, sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts, hdc in the next 2 chains, sl st in next 2 chains, ch 1; turn, sl st blo in next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn.

Row 1: sl st blo in next 2 sts, (hdc in next 4 sts, sl st in next 4 sts) 3 (3, 2, 2) times, hdc in next 10 sts -36 (36, 28, 28) sts. Use st marker to mark 1st row as right side.

Row 2: hdc blo in next 10 sts, (sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts) 3 (3, 2, 2) times, sl st blo in next 2 sts.

Row 3: ch 1, turn, hdc blo in next 2 sts (sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts) 3 (3, 2, 2) times, sl st blo in next 10 sts.

Row 4: ch 1, turn, sl st blo in next 10 sts, (hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 4 sts) 3 (3, 2, 2) times, hdc blo in next 2 sts.

Repeat Rows 1-4 three more times.

Repeat Rows 1-2.

Work short row series as follows: hdc in next 2 sts, sl st in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn, sl st blo in next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn, sl st blo next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn, sl st blo in next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn, hdc blo in next 2 sts, sl st blo in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn, sl st blo in next 2 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts. Fasten off.

Place contrast stitch marker in last st made. Set piece aside for now.

BOTTOM/SOLE OF SOCK

Ch 27 (31, 35, 39).

Short Row series for heel gusset: starting with 2nd ch from hook and working into the bottom of the chain, sc in next 4 chains, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 4 sts, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 4 sts, continuing with foundation chain, sc in next 4 sts, ch 1, turn, sc in next 8 sts, ch 1, turn, sc in next 12 sts (see note about working short rows), ch 1, turn, sc in next 12 sts.

Rows 1-24: ch 1, turn, sc across -26 (30, 34, 38) sts.

Work short row series: 1 Sc in next 12 sts, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 12 sts, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 8 sts, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 8 sts, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 4 sts, ch 1, turn, Sc in next 4 sts.

Last Row: Ch 1. turn, sc in each st across row -26 (30, 34, 38) sts. Do not fasten off.

FIG 1



TOP OF FOOT / FRONT ANKLE

Row 1 (Joining row-joining sole to back ankle-see photo

Fig1): Ch 1, turn, hdc blo in next 4 (0, 4, 0) sts, (sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts) 2 (3, 3, 5) times, sl st blo next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 2 sts, place Back Ankle next to sole with RS facing and contrast-marked stitch ready to be worked into. Continuing with contrast-marked st in Back Ankle piece, hdc blo in each of next 2 sts, (sl st blo into next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts) 3 (3, 2, 2) times sl st blo in next 10 sts. 62 (66, 62, 66) sts

FIG 2



Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sl st blo in next 10 sts, (hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 4 sts) 6 (7, 6, 7) times, hdc blo in next 4 (0, 4, 0) sts. 62 (66, 62, 66) sts

Row 3: ch 1, turn, sl st blo in next 4 (0, 4, 0) sts, (hdc blo in next 4 sts, sl st blo in next 4 sts) 6 (7, 6, 7) times, hdc blo in next 10 sts. 62 (66, 62, 66) sts

Row 4: Ch 1, hdc blo in next 10 sts, (sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts) 6 (7, 6, 7) times, sl st blo in next 4 (0, 4, 0) sts. 62 (66, 62, 66) sts

FIG 3



Row 5: Ch 1, turn, hdc blo in next 4 (0, 4, 0) sts, (sl st blo in next 4 sts, hdc blo in next 4 sts) 6 (7, 6, 7) times, sl st blo in next 10 sts. 62 (66, 62, 66) sts

Repeat Rows 2-5 six more times. **Note:** For narrower sock, repeat Rows 2-5 only 5 more

Repeat Row 2 once more. Do not fasten off. (See Photo Fig 2)

FIG 4



SL STITCH SEAM (SEE PHOTO FIG 3):

Turn as if to work another row (right side is now facing). Fold sock with WS together placing foundation rows of the Bottom of Sock and Back Ankle directly behind last row worked. Slip stitch edges together working through the front loops of the layer in front, and the back loops of the row held behind, beginning at toe edge and ending at the ankle opening of sock. 62 (66, 62, 66) sts

Fasten off. Sl st seam remains on outside of sock.

HEEL (SEE PHOTO FIG 4):

Round 1: Using stitch markers, divide back of heel opening into 2 equal sections and bottom of heel opening into 2 equal sections for a total of 4 sections around heel opening. With toe pointing toward you and the bottom of heel opening ready to be worked into, pull up loop at corner of opening, ch 1 (does not count as a stitch) 18 hdc into each of the next 2 sections across bottom of heel opening, 18 hdc into each of next 2 sections across back of heel opening - 72 hdc around heel opening. Use stitch marker to mark beginning of rounds.

Round 2: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb in next 32 sts, hdc2togbb], twice- 68 sts.

Round 3: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 30 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -64 sts.

Round 4: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 28 sts, hdc2togbb] twice - 60 sts.

Round 5: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 26 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -56 sts.

Round 6: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 24 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -52 sts.

Round 7: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 22 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -48 sts.

Round 8: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 20 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -44 sts.

Round 9: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 18 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -40 sts.

Round 10: [Hdc2togbb, hdcbb into next 16 sts, hdc2togbb] twice -36 sts.

Round 11: [Hdc2togbb twice, hdcbb into next 10 sts, hdc2togbb twice] twice -28 sts.

Fasten off leaving 12" (30 cm) tail.

TOE

Hold sock with toe opening up and toe edge of Bottom/sole of Sock ready to be worked into. Using stitch markers and beginning with slip stitch seam, divide toe opening into 4 sections.

Pull up loop in toe opening next to slip stitch seam, beginning by working across bottom/sole opening, ch 1, 12 hdc into each of the 4 sections around sock opening - 24 hdc across the sole, 24 sts across the top of Foot for a total of 48 sts around toe opening.

Note: For narrower sock work only 11 hdc into each of the 4 sections for a total of 44 sts around toe. Work Rounds 2-4 below, then work an extra repeat of Round 2. Omit Round 5, then follow remainder of toe directions beginning with Round 6.

Rounds 2-4: Hdcbb around. 48 sts. Note: Work more or fewer rounds here to lengthen or shorten sock if needed.

Round 5: (Hdc2togbb, hdc into next 20 sts, hdc2tog) twice. 44 sts.

Round 6: Hdcbb around.

Round 7: (Hdc2togbb, hdc into next 18 sts, hdc2tog) twice. 40 sts.

Round 8: Hdcbb around.

Round 9: (Hdc2togbb, hdc into next 16 sts, hdc2tog) twice. 36 sts.

Round 10: (Hdc2togbb, hdc into next 14 sts, hdc2tog) twice. 32 sts.

Round 11: (Hdc2togbb, hdc into next 12 sts, hdc2tog) twice. 28 sts.

Round 12: (Hdc2togbb twice, hdc into next 6 sts, hdc2tog twice) twice. 20 sts. Fasten off leaving 12" (30 cm) tail for sewing.

FINISHING

Using tapestry needle and yarn tails, whip stitch openings in heel and toe closed. Weave in all ends. Block.



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