



Tinsel Toes – Crochet V-Stitch Socks by Anna Nikipirowicz

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Yarn



Measurements

	Small	Medium	Large
UK	3-4	5-6	7–8
US	5-6	7–8	9-10

Foot Circumference (approximately)

in	7	8	8 3/4
cm	18	20	22

Foot Length

in	8 3/4	9 1/4	9 3/4
cm	22	23.5	25

Leg Length

in	6	6	6
cm	15	15	15

Equipment

3mm crochet hook

3.5mm crochet hook

Three different colour lockable stitch markers (I will be using blue, red and yellow)

Tension

5 V sts and 8 rounds to 5cm (2 in) measured over pattern worked in the round using 3mm crochet hook.

When you are making your tension swatch make sure it is done in the round as your tension may differ between working in rows and rounds.

Pattern Notes

Please note that pattern is written using UK terminology with US conversion given in abbreviation list.

The sizing is ordered with S first and M and L in brackets. Crochet fabric stretches more length wise than width wise to ensure the perfect fit make sure you make the correct size for your feet. However, the construction of the heel in these socks provide you with nice and comfortable heel without any pulling on top of the foot. You can customise the sizes, for example: If you wear shoe size 6 but wide fit, make the largest size socks with medium size length. If you have a long narrow foot make the small/medium size with the largest length. You can always add/take away few rows to ensure better length.

V sts are counted as 2 sts.

Abbreviations

Blo back loop only

Ch chain

Dc double crochet half treble htr Miss (US skip) omit st(s) Rnd(s) round(S) Rep repeat Rem remaining RS right side Sl st slip stitch St(s) stitch(es) WS wrong side

Yrh yarn around hook

Special Abbreviations

Bphtr back post half treble - yrh, insert hook

around post of next st from back to front to back again, yrh, pull up a loop, yrh, pull through all 3 loops on hook.

Dc2tog double crochet 2 sts together - to

decrease 1 st as follows: (insert hook in next st, yrh and pull up a loop) twice, yrh and pull through all 3 loops

on hook.

Fphtr front post half treble - yrh, insert hook

around post of next st from front to back to front again, yrh, pull up a loop, yrh, pull through all 3 loops on hook.

htr2tog half treble 2 sts together - to decrease

1 st as follows: (yrh, insert hook in next st, yrh and pull up a loop,) twice, yrh and pull through through all 5 loops on hook.

V st [1 htr, ch 1, 1 htr] all in next st or

as directed.

Right Foot

Techniques

Chainless Foundation DC

This technique produces wonderfully stretchy edge and is one of the most useful techniques you can learn in crochet.

- 1: Start with 2 chains, turn your work on the side, you will see a bump at the back of your chains. Insert your hook into this bump of second chain from the hook.
- 2: Take the yrh and pull through the bump you will have two loops on your hook. Yrh again and pull through only one loop on the hook.
- **3:** You are left with two loops on your hook. Yrh and pull through both loops that's your first stitch made. To work your next stitch, turn your work on the side and you will see the front leg of the next stitch to be worked.
- **4:** Insert hook into the front and back leg of the stitch (the full V). Yrh and pull it through the stitch, so that you have two loops on your hook.
- **5:** Yrh and pull through one loop, leaving two loops on your hook, then yrh again, and pull through both loops on the hook. The second stitch is made.

Continue repeating steps 4 and 5 until you have the desired number of dc.

Leg

With 3.50 mm hook make 36 [40:44] chainless foundation dc, join with sl st to first dc to form a loop. Place a marker to mark the beginning of the rounds if you prefer.

Change to 3.00 mm hook and proceed as follows:

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as 1 htr and ch-1 sp here and throughout), 1 htr in same st as ch3, miss next st, * V in next st, miss next st, rep from * to end, sl st to 2nd of ch 3. 18 [20:22] V sts.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, V st in first ch-1 sp, V st in every ch-1 sp to end, sl st to 2nd of ch 3.

Rep rnd 2 for 19 more rnds. **

Heel Flap

For the heel you are working back and forth in rows and dc over half the sock, leaving the rem (top of the foot sts) unworked.

Row 1 (RS): Ch 1 (does not count as a st here and throughout), 1 dc in each of next 18 [20:22] htr (do not work into ch-1 sps), turn, leaving rem sts unworked.

Row 2: Ch 1, 1 dc in each st to end of row, turn. 18 [20:22] sts. Rep Row 2 a further 14 [16:18] times. Total of 16 [18:20] rows worked on the heel.

Turn The Heel

Row 1 (RS): Ch 1, 1 dc in next 9 [10:11] sts, dc2tog, 1 dc in next st, turn, leaving rem sts unworked. 11 [12, 13] sts.

Row 2: Ch 1, 1 dc in next 2 sts, dc2tog, 1 dc in next st, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, 1 dc in each st to 1 st from end of row, dc2tog working the first half of the st in the next st and the second half into the next st 2 rows below, 1 dc in next st, turn. 5 [5:5] sts.

Rep Row 3 a further 5 [5:7] times. 10 [10:12] sts

Medium size only

Next Row: Ch 1, 1 dc in each st to 1 st from end of row, dc2tog working the first half of the st in the next st and the second half into the next st 2 rows below, turn.

Rep last row once more. - [10: -] sts.

All those unworked stitches have been used up and you have turned your heel. 10 [10:12] sts.

Gusset

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 1, 1 dc in next 10 [10:12] sts of heel, 9 [10:11] dc evenly along the edge of heel flap, (placing approximately 1 st in every other row), place **red marker** in the last st worked, V st in next 9 [10:11]

ch-1 sp across top of foot, work 9 [10:11] dc evenly along edge of heel flap (placing approximately 1 st in every other row), place **blue marker** in the first st worked on heel flap, sl st to first dc. 46 [50:56] sts.

You are now back at the end of rnd. You will work htr for the gusset and bottom of foot and V sts at the top of the foot.

Move all markers up as you work.

Rnd 2: ch 1, 1 htr in first st, 1 htr in every st to 2 sts before the **red marker,** htr2tog, 1 htr in st with maker, V sts in every ch-1 sp to **blue marker,** 1 htr in st with marker, htr2tog, 1 htr in every st to end, sl st to first htr. 44 [48:54] sts.

Rnd 3: ch 1, 1 htr in first st, 1 htr in next 18 [19:22] sts, V st in next 9 [10:11] ch-1 sps, 1 htr in each st to end, sl st to first htr.

Rep rnd 2 and 3 a further 4 [4:5] times more. 36 [40:44] sts.

Foot

Keep markers in for ease of separating sole and top of foot, work as follows:

Next rnd: ch 1, 1 htr in first st, 1 htr in next 14 [15:17] sts, V st in next 9 [10:11] ch-1 sps, 1 htr in each st to end, sl st to 2nd of ch 3. 36 [40:44] sts.

Rep last row until work measures 16.5 [17.5:18.5]cm from the back of the heel allowing for a little stretch in the fabric.









Toes

You will now work in dc and in a continuous spiral, moving the markers up as you work.

Rnd 1: 1 dc in every st to **red marker**, 1 dc in st with marker, 1 dc in every st to **blue marker**, 1 dc in st with marker. 1 dc in every st to **red marker**, 1 dc in st with marker.

The **red marker** denotes the beg of rnd. (17 [19:21] sts in between markers)

Rnd 2: dc2tog, 1 dc in every st to 2 sts before **blue marker**, dc2tog, 1 dc in st with marker, dc2tog, 1 dc in every st to 2 sts before **red marker**, dc2tog, 1 dc in st with maker. 32 [36:40] sts.

Rnd 3: 1 dc in every st to end, moving markers up as you work.

Rnd 4: dc2tog, 1 dc in every st to 2 sts before **blue marker**, dc2tog, 1 dc in st with marker, dc2tog, 1 dc in every st to 2 sts before **red marker**, dc2tog, 1 dc in st with maker. 28 [32:36] sts.

Rep rnds 3 and 4 a further 3 times. 16 [20:24] sts.

Fasten off leaving a tail of approximately 15cm. Turn the sock inside out and using tapestry needle and the tail sew up the toe opening, making sure you do not pull tight on the seam as you want it to be a soft seam.

Cuff

Rnd 1: with **RS** facing, join yarn to first st of top of chainless foundation, ch 2 (counts as 1 htr), 1 htr in each st to end, sl st to top of beg ch 2. 36 [40:44] sts.

Rnd 2: ch 2 (counts 1 htr), * 1fphtr, 1bphtr, rep from * to last st, 1fphrt, sl st to top of ch 2.

Rep rnd 2 twice more.

Fasten off.

Left Foot

Work as given for right foot to **

Heel Flap

For the heel you are working back and forth in rows and dc over half the sock, leaving the rem (top of the foot sts) unworked.

Row 1: ch 3, 1 htr in first ch-1 sp, V st in next 9 [10, 11] ch-1 sps, miss next st, 1 dc in next 18 [20, 22] sts missing ch-1 sp in between sts, turn.

Row 2 (WS): ch 1, 1 dc in next 18 [20:22] sts, turn, leaving rem sts unworked. 18 [20:22] sts.

Row 3: ch 1, 1 dc in next 18 [20:22] sts, turn.

Rep Row 3 a further 13 [14:17] times. Total of 16 [18:20] rows worked on the heel.

Continue for the rest of the socks from heel turn as for right foot.

Making Up

Weave in all ends.

You may wish to wet block them. To do this soak your socks in lukewarm water, squeeze out excess moisture and pin out to size or place them on sock blockers. I pin them out on the side and in line with the sides of toes and heel.

Allow to dry naturally.

Your lovely new socks are now completed!

Caring For Your Socks









Reshape whilst damp. Dry flat. Do not tumble dry.

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