

Joe's toes

Joe's Toes Knitted Crossover Slipper

Adult sizes 1 – 14

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Before you start please check your tension (gauge). The correct tension is 17 stitches and 30 rows, i.e. 15 ridges for a 10cm (4") square of garter stitch which is also known as "plain knitting - every row knit, no purl.

It is important the knitting is not too loose - you will have a sloppy slipper and risk running out of yarn.

Knit: Using 5mm needles (US size 8, UK and Canadian size 5) cast on 11 stitches for size 1-2, 12 stitches for sizes 3 to 7, 13 stitches for size 8-10 and 14 stitches for bigger sizes.

For UK size 1-2 knit 104 rows, size 3-4 106 rows, 5-6 118 rows, 7-8 124 rows, 9-10 134 rows and for size 11-12 140 rows, for 13-14 150 rows then cast off.

The fit of the slipper can be made a little snugger by knitting or crocheting along one long edge of the strip. This will be the top edge of the slipper (the other edge will be stitched to the sole). To crochet work a row of single crochet, one stitch into each "valley" between garter stitch ridges as shown. To knit, pick up the end loop of every other row along the long side and then casting these stitches off. The left hand picture shows a crochet edge, the right hand picture shows a knitted edge.



Attach Soles: Using your strong thread (not the yarn shown in the picture) and blunt needle start stitching the LONG bottom edge of your knitting to the top sole which will go against your foot at its centre front - you'll see there is a little notch on the toe of each sole to show you where to start. The key to even spacing is to sew the last stitch of every other knitted row to each hole. Work your way right round. Make any joins on the underside of this insole, they will then be hidden when you stitch on the outsole.



When you get back to the toe continue in the same direction stitching the short edge over your first stitches.

Tuck the other short edge inside and stitch this to the knitted upper close to where it joins the sole.

Reverse the overlap for the other foot!



The outsole is attached by stitching through both (or all if you're using more than two) layers of soles. We usually use back stitch - but you can use any stitch you would like. Use the space between

the inner and outer sole to hide the join when you need to knot on a new length of stitching yarn. The stitching thread is waxed so you need to make tight knots and leave long tails to ensure they don't work loose when the slippers are worn. For narrow feet you might like to add a button or stitch the overlap in place. This way you can tailor each slipper to the foot.

Please note: If your kit has the felt soles with the latex finish these are designed to give just a bit of grip and over time it may gather dust or start to wear. You can reapply a latex solution to the sole. Alternatively, you might like to add a pair of Joe's Toes [rubber or suede soles, or our sew-on sole patches in suede or vinyl](#) to give a bit more grip and extend the life of your slippers. The holes in Joe's Toes soles will always line up so it's easy to add or replace an outer sole at any time.