

Quick Socks

Pattern by Haley Waxberg

Size

women

Materials

- ° 100m/109yds Bulky Yarn, ie. 1 skein of Dream in Color Groovy (we used colour Punky Fuchsia) or <u>Berroco Vintage Chunky</u> (with 5.5mm needles)
- 6mm/US10 double pointed needles
- ° scrap yarn
- 5mm/H crochet hook (for provisional cast on)
- ° 2 locking stitch markers

Gauge

3.5 sts & 5 rows = 1" in stocking stitch knitting in the round

Notes

This is a quick, bulky weight sock that works up fast. I used a basic short row toe and heel, which I learned years ago from Wendy's Generic Toe Up Sock pattern. To make a child size cast on 12 sts and make 2 less W&T rows, to make a men's size cast on 16 sts and make 2 more W&T rows. This pattern is written with the expectation your you are already familiar with working short-rows (W&T), Otherwise links to good tutorials are offered below in *Techniques*.

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Directions

Toe

With scrap yarn and crochet hook provisionally cast on (see techniques above) 14 sts.

R1: Purl.

R2: Sl1, K until 1 st rem, W&T.

R3: P until 1 st rem, W&T.

R4: K until 2 sts rem, W&T.

R5: P until 2 sts rem, W&T.

R6: K until 3 sts rem, W&T.

R7: P until 3 sts rem, W&T.

R8: K until 4 sts rem, W&T.

R9: P until 4 sts rem, W&T.

R10: K until 4sts rem, pick up wrap & knit it with the stitch (see techniques above), W&T.

R11: P until 4 sts rem, pick up wrap & purl it with the stitch (see techniques above), W&T.

R12: K until 3 sts rem, pick up wraps & knit them with the stitch, W&T.

R13: P until 3 sts rem, pick up wraps & purl them with the stitch, W&T.

R14: K until 2 sts rem, pick up wraps & knit them with the stitch, W&T.

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Abbreviations

K Knit P Purl

PM Place marker on right needle

R Row or Round

Rem Remains

Sl Slip stitch from Left to Right

needle purlwise

SLM Slip Marker St/s Stitch/es

W&T Wrap and turn (see Short

Rows in Techniques)

Techniques

Provisional Cast On

This is the easiest provisional caston I've ever come across, it goes on fast and pops out like a zipper! Be sure to leave the tail longer on the end you finish with so you know which end to start unraveling.

www.stitchdiva.com/tutorials/knittin g/provisional-cast-on

Short Rows

I really like this particular tutorial because it shows you how to make the stitches pretty: www.laurachau.com/as-promised-ashort-row-heel-tutorial/

Otherwise, check out this article about the fundamentals of Short Rows on Knitty:

www.knitty.com/ISSUEsummer03/FE ATbonnetric.html

Directions Cont.

R15: P until 2 sts rem, pick up wraps & purl them with the stitch, W&T.

R16: K until 1 sts rem, pick up wraps & knit them with the stitch, turn, slip 1 st stitch.

R17: P until 1sts rem, pick up wraps & purl them with the stitch, turn.

Next Round: SI1, K to end of row. (If you are going to have a gap or hole where the 2 sides meet, pick up 1 stitch and decrease it out on the next round). One stitch at a time, remove the scrap yarn and pick up the provisional stitches. Knit these stitches. (Again, if you are going to have a gap or hole pick up 1 stitch and decrease it out on the next round). (28 sts)

Foot

Knit in the round until piece measures 6" from toe (You can make them longer, but the superwash yarn seems to have a lot of stretch and may still fit longer feet).

Heel

Slip 14 sts onto one needle, and 14 on another. You will be working on the second set of sts.

Repeat rows 2 to 17.

Instep

Redistribute sts on 4 needles

R1: Sl1, knit to end of needle, PM, pick up & knit 2 sts in gap, K sts that were on hold, PM, pick up & knit 2 sts in gap, knit 7 sts. Place marker, this is now the beginning of the round.

R2, 4: knit.

R3, 5: K to 1st marker, SLM, k2tog, k to next marker, SLM, ssk, k to end. At end of R5, Leave 1 marker in the last st.

Leg

Knit until piece measures 5" from stitch marker.

Next 2 rounds: *K1, P1; rep from * to end of round.

Cast off loosely in k1p1 rib.

Weave in ends.

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