



# Sweetheart Stockings

Longer length socks are perfect for keeping the cold from going up your legs. This pair features sweetheart motifs, making them a cozy gift idea for someone with a warm place in your heart.

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To Fit Women's Shoe Size: 7-9 (9-11, 11-12).

Directions are for size Small; changes for sizes Medium and Large are in parentheses.

Sock circumference: 8 (8¾, 8¾)". Sock foot length: 9¾ (10¼, 10¾)".

Stitch Nation by Debbie Stoller™ "Washable Ewe™": 2 (2, 3) balls 3706 Zinnia.

**Double Pointed Knitting Needles:** 3.75mm [US 5]. Stitch markers (5), yarn needle.

GAUGE: 24 sts = 4"; 32 rounds = 4" in St st CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

#### SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Ssk = Slip next 2 sts knitwise, one at a time to right needle; insert point of left needle into the fronts of these 2 sts and knit them together from this position.

Lace Heart Panel (work following chart over 19 sts)

Rounds 1 - 5: Knit.

**Round 6:** K4, yo, k4tog, yo, k3, yo, k4tog, yo, k4–17 sts.

Rounds 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 17: Knit.

**Round 8:** K3, yo, ssk, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, k2tog, yo, k3–19 sts.

Round 10: K3, k2tog, yo, k9, yo, ssk, k3.

Round 12: K4, k2tog, yo, k7, yo, ssk, k4.

Round 14: K5, k2tog, yo, k5, yo, ssk, k5.

Round 16: K6, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k6.

Round 18: K7, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk.

Repeat Rounds 1-18 for pattern.

### **SOCKS**

Cast on 70 (74, 76) sts.

Divide sts among 3 needles as follows: Needle 1: 23 (24, 25) sts; needle 2: 23 (25, 25) sts; needle 3: 24 (25, 26) sts. Place marker for beginning of round and join, being careful not to twist sts.

#### Cuff

Work in K1, p1 rib for 12 rounds.

#### Begin Lace Pattern

Work Round 1 of Lace pattern, placing markers as follows: k13 (14, 14) sts, place marker; k19 (19, 19) sts, place marker; k6 (8, 10) sts, place marker; k19 (19, 19) sts, place marker; knit remaining 13 (14, 14) sts.



Next Round (dec): K1, k2tog; work in pattern as established to last 3 sts, ssk-68 (72, 74) sts.

Continue in pattern as established, repeating Rounds 1 - 18, 4 (5, 5) times AND AT THE SAME TIME repeat dec round every 5th round 2 (2, 9) times, then every 6th round 8 (8, 2) times-48, (52, 52) sts.

Work even in St st until sock measures 12¾ (13¼, 13½)" or desired length to heel flap.

#### Divide for Heel

Knit across 12 (13, 13) sts on needle 1; divide next 24 (26, 26) sts onto 2 needles for heel. Continue on these sts only for heel, working back and forth in rows.

### Heel

Row 1 (wrong side): Slip 1 purlwise, purl to end. Row 2: \* Slip 1 purlwise, k1; repeat from \* across. Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until 22 rows have been completed, then repeat Row 1 once more.

#### Turn Heel

Row 1 (right side): K14 (15, 15), ssk, k1, turn.

Row 2: Slip 1, p5, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 3: Slip 1, k6, ssk, k1, turn.

Row 4: Slip 1, p7, p2tog, p1, turn.

**Row 5:** Slip 1, k8, ssk, k1, turn.

Row 6: Slip 1, p9, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 7: Slip 1, k10, ssk, k1, turn.

Row 8: Slip 1, p11, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 9: Slip 1, k12, ssk, k0 (1, 1), turn.

Row 10: Slip 1, p12 (13, 13), p2tog, p0 (1, 1), turn–14, 16, 16 sts).

Next Row: Knit to end of heel.

With same needle, pickup and k12 (12, 12) sts along side of heel; knit next 24 (26, 26) sts and place on second needle; with third needle pickup and k12 (12, 12) sts along side of heel, k7 (8, 8) sts from needle 1. Needle 1: 19 (20, 20) sts; Needle 2: 24 (26, 26) sts; Needle 3: 19 (20, 20) sts-62 (66, 66) sts.

#### **Gusset Shaping**

Place a marker, join sts and continue in the round.

Round 1: Needle 1: knit to last 3 sts, k2 tog, k1; needle 2: knit

even across; needle 3: k1, ssk, knit to end.

Round 2: Knit even around.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 until 48 (52, 52) sts remain.

Work even until foot measures 8 (81/4, 83/4)" from base of heel

Round 1: Needle 1: knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; needle 2: k1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; needle 3: k1, ssk, knit to end.

Round 2: Knit even around.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 until 32 sts remain, then repeat Round 1 until 12 sts remain.

With needle 3, work across needle 1–6 sts each needle. Cut varn leaving a 16" tail.

#### FINISHING

Graft toe sts together using Kitchener stitch as follows:

Thread needle with remaining yarn. Hold the two needles with wrong sides together. Keeping the varn needle and varn under the points of the knitting needles, graft the stitches together as follows:

- \*1. Insert yarn needle through first st of front needle as if to knit and slip the st off.
- 2. Insert needle through 2nd st of front needle as if to purl, but leave the st on the needle.
- 3. Insert yarn through first st on back needle as if to purl and slip
- 4. Insert yarn through 2nd stitch on back needle as if to knit, but leave st on needle. Repeat from \* until all the sts are joined. Take care to draw yarn up so that gauge of grafting equals gauge of knitting. Fasten off. Weave in yarn ends.

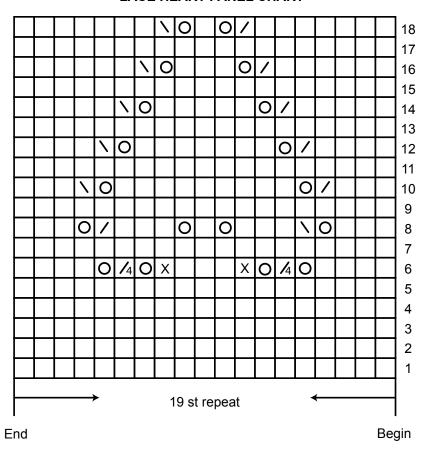


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**ABBREVIATIONS:** K = knit; k2tog = knit next 2 sts together; k4tog = knit next 4 sts together; mm = millimeters; p = purl;p2tog = purl next 2 sts together; st(s) = stitch(es); St st = Stockinette stitch (k every round); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; \* or \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.



## LACE HEART PANEL CHART



STITCH KEY

Ш к

O Yarn over

✓ K2tog

4 K4tog

Ssk

X No stitch