



Christmas Socks

Yarn: Lichen and Lace Christmas Socks Mini Skein Fade Set (7 mini skeins of 80/20 sock in the following colourways: linen, poppy, evergreen, shroom, amber, black walnut, gingersnap)

each mini is 20 grams and 73 yards
140 grams and 511 yards in total for the set

Small amount of waste yarn is needed for cast on.

Needles: set of 2.25mm (US 1) 40" circular needles, or size needed to get gauge

Gauge: 40 sts and 54 rows = 4" (10cm) square

These instructions are written for the magic loop as they reference the first needle and second needle. To adapt for dpns, the first needle is dpn one and two and the second needle is dpn three and four.

Abbreviations

- BOR = beginning of round
- YO = yarn over
- K2tog = knit two together (right leaning decrease)
- k = knit
- p = purl
- Rep = repeat
- Rnd(s) = round(s)
- RS = right side
- sl = slip (purlwise unless otherwise specified)
- ssk = slip, slip, knit (left leaning decrease)
- st(s) = stitch(es)
- WS = wrong side
- w&t = wrap and turn
- wyib = with yarn in back
- wyif = with yarn in front

Cuff and Leg

Cast on 64 sts with waste yarn. Join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist.

Stripe 1: Switch to main yarn in gingersnap.

Knit 19 rnds.

Knit 16 stitches, then cut gingersnap leaving a 3 inch tail and join amber, also leaving a 3 inch tail.

Stripe 2: Knit 6 rnds with amber. Next you will join cuff using amber.

Fold cuff wrong sides together. Join first row of main yarn stitches directly under waste yarn to live stitches using K2tog, make sure you have 64 stitches at end of round. You can remove waste yarn now or later.

Knit 16 stitches, then cut amber leaving a 3 inch tail and join shroom, also leaving a 3 inch tail.

Stripe 3: Knit 7 rnds with shroom.

Continue in this way, joining new colour in the centre of back of sock

Stripe 4: evergreen

Stripe 5: black walnut

Stripe 6: linen

Stripe 7: poppy

Stripe 8: gingersnap

Stripe 9: amber

Stripe 10: shroom

Stripe 11: Knit 3 rounds of evergreen

Heel

Start heel at beginning of round, not where you are switching colours. The heel is knit in evergreen.

The short row heel is worked flat over the next 32 sts, which are half your total sts. References to the first and last sts in these instructions refer to the first of this half and the last of this half of your sts, i.e. the heel sts.

First half of the heel

Row 1 (RS): k across to last st, w&t

Row 2 (WS): p back to first st, w&t

Row 3 (RS): k to st before wrapped st, w&t

Row 4 (WS): p to st before wrapped st, w&t

Rep rows 3 and 4 until 10 sts are left unwrapped, ending after a WS row.

Second half of the heel

Row 1 (RS): k to first wrapped st, k the wrapped st while picking up the wrap, turn

Row 2 (WS): sl1 wyif, p to first/next wrapped st, p the wrapped st while picking up the wrap, turn

Row 3 (RS): sl1 wyib, k to next wrapped st, k the wrapped st while picking up the wrap, turn

Rep rows 2 and 3 until all wraps have been picked up, ending with a RS row. You are now ready to continue in the rnd to work the rest of the sock.

Foot

Knit 4 rounds in evergreen (continuation of stripe 11).

Stripe 12: Knit 16 stitches, then cut evergreen leaving a 3 inch tail and join black walnut, also leaving a 3 inch tail.

Continue in this way, joining new colour in the centre of bottom of foot

Stripe 13: linen

Stripe 14: poppy

Stripe 15: gingersnap

Stripe 16: amber

Stripe 17: shroom

Toe

Join poppy, knit to beginning of round.

The short row toe is knit exactly like the short row heel, and is knit with poppy.

The short row heel is worked flat over the next 32 sts, which are half your total sts.

First half of the toe

Row 1 (RS): k across to last st, w&t
Row 2 (WS): p back to first st, w&t
Row 3 (RS): k to st before wrapped st, w&t
Row 4 (WS): p to st before wrapped st, w&t

Rep rows 3 and 4 until 10 sts are left unwrapped, ending after a WS row.

Second half of the toe

Row 1 (RS): k to first wrapped st, k the wrapped st while picking up the wrap, turn
Row 2 (WS): sl1 wyif, p to first/next wrapped st, p the wrapped st while picking up the wrap, turn
Row 3 (RS): sl1 wyib, k to next wrapped st, k the wrapped st while picking up the wrap, turn

Rep rows 2 and 3 until all wraps have been picked up, ending with a WS row.

Cut the yarn, leaving a tail long enough to graft the 32 toe stitches to the 32 foot stitches of the sock. Use the Kitchener stitch to graft the sock closed.

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