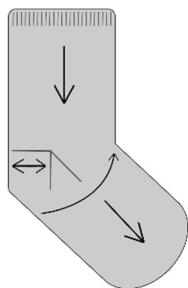




These lace-patterned socks are knit from the top down with a heel-flap construction. The toe is grafted together. This pattern will fit most adult foot sizes as the foot and ankle sections can be knit to desired length.



Yarn: Dawn Orchid Stellina Sock (75% Superwash Merino Wool, 20% Nylon, 5% Stellina; 438yds per 100g). Shown in August Peach.

Needles: 2.25mm/US1 double pointed needles (set of 4) (or longer circular needle for magic loop)

Gauge: 30 st = 4"/10cm

Other tools: darning needle

CUFF AND ANKLE

CO 72 sts and distribute evenly among 3 needles. Join in the round and be careful not to twist.

(K1, P1) around for 15 rounds.

K 1 round.

Pattern Round 1: *(K2tog) 2 times, (YO, K1) 4 times, (K2tog) 2 times, rep from * to end of round.

Pattern Rounds 2-4: K

Repeat Pattern Rounds 1-4 thirteen more times.

HEEL FLAP

Move sts so they are divided 36sts-18sts-18sts on three dpns. The heel flap is worked flat across first 36sts; the other 36 sts are just held on other needles.

Row A (RS): *Sl1, K1, rep from * to end of needle.

Row B (WS): Sl1, P to end of round.

Repeat rows A and B seventeen more times, then row A once more (total of 37 rows).

TURNING HEEL

Row 1 (WS): Sl1, P19, P2tog, P1, turn.

Row 2 (RS): Sl1, K5, SSK, K1, turn.

Row 3 (WS): Sl1, P to one st before gap from last turn, P2tog, P1, turn.

Row 4 (RS): Sl1, K to one st before gap from last turn, SSK, K1, turn.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until the P2tog/SSK occurs at the end of each row. *(20sts left on heel flap needle.)*

GUSSET

Pick up and K 18sts along left side of heel flap, work across 36 held sts for the top of foot in established pattern, pick up and K 18sts along right side of heel flap, K 10sts from bottom of heel.

This point, the middle of the bottom of the heel, is now the beginning of round (BOR). Move sts so they are divided 28sts-36sts-28sts on three dpns.

Round 1: K to 3sts from end of first needle, K2tog, K1, work next 36 sts in established pattern, K1, SSK, K to end of round.

Round 2: K all sts on first needle, work next 36 sts in established pattern, K all sts on third needle.

Repeat Rounds 1 & 2 nine more times. *(20 sts decreased. 72sts remain)*

FOOT AND TOE

Continue as in Round 2 (working top of the foot in pattern, bottom of the foot in plain stockinette) until sock measures 2" from the tip of the toes when worn *(approximately 4-4½" from end of gusset decreases)*

Decrease Round 1: K to last 3 sts on first needle, K2tog, K1, K1, SSK, K to last 3 sts on second needle, K2tog, K1, K1, SSK, K to end of third needle. *(4sts decreases)*

Decrease Round 2: K

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 eight more times *(36sts decreased, 36sts remain).*

Knit across first needle only, then combine sts on first and third needles. Two sets of 18sts now held on two parallel needles.

Break yarn with 18" tail and thread onto a darning needle (DN). Hold the two needles parallel in the left hand, begin at the right-most stitches:

1. Insert DN into 1st st on front needle purlwise and pull yarn through, leaving st on needle.
2. Insert DN into 1st st on rear needle knitwise and pull yarn through, leaving st on needle.
3. Insert DN into 1st st on front needle knitwise, letting st fall off needle, then insert DN into next st on front needle purlwise, leaving st on needle, pull yarn through.
4. Insert DN into 1st st on rear needle purlwise, letting st fall off needle, then insert DN into next st on rear needle knitwise, leaving st on needle, pull yarn through.

Repeat Steps 3 and 4 until all sts are grafted together.

Weave in all ends.

Abbreviations:

K – knit

P – purl

K2tog – knit 2 together

SSK – slip 2 sts knitwise, move both to left needle and K 2 together through back of loop

P2tog – purl 2 together

Sl1 – slip stitch

CO – cast on

RS – right side

WS – wrong side

St(s) – stitch(es)

BOR – Beginning of round