



Made with natural handspun yarn, spun by Wilma
(Using pattern as charted below)



Made with acid dyed handspun yarn, dyed and spun by Wilma
(Using only rounds 13 - 28 of chart below)

Mini-Diamonds Toe-Up Socks

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(This pattern assumes that you have some experience in sock knitting, and is probably not a good choice for the beginning sock knitter.)

You will need approx.

100 grams of sock yarn.

Size 2 Needles

1 size 5 double point needle

1 Crochet hook.

Pattern Chart (below) for Mini Diamonds Toe-Up Socks (Based on 28 stitches...)

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Legend:

knit
knit stitch

yo
Yarn Over

sl1 k2tog pssso
slip 1, k2tog, pass slip stitch over k2tog

k2tog
knit two stitches together as one stitch

ssk
Slip one stitch as if to knit, Slip another stitch as if to knit. Insert left-hand needle into front of these 2 stitches and knit them together

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Notes:

<p>Pattern: R1 (RS): k12, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k13 R2: k28 R3: k11, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k12 R4: k28 R5: k10, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k11 R6: k28 R7: k8, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k5, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k9 R8: k28 R9: k7, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k8 R10: k28 R11: k6, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k7 R12: k28 R13: k4, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k5, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k5, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k5 R14: k28 R15: k3, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k4 R16: k28 R17: k2, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k3 R18: k28 R19: k2, yo, k5, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k5, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, yo, k5, yo, sl1 k2tog pssso, k2 R20: k28 R21: k2, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo, k, yo, ssk, k3, k2tog, yo, k3 R22: k28 R23: k3, yo, ssk, k, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k, k2tog, yo, k4 R24: k28</p>

Cast on 28 stitches using your favorite cast on for toe up socks.

Toe shaping: (you will be knitting in the round)

Round 1: knit all stitches around

Round 2: knit in the front and back of the *first and last stitches* of the instep, and again on the sole, for a total of 4 increases.

Round 3: Knit all stitches around

Round 4: k1, m1R, k across top of sock, until 1 stitch remains m1L, k1. Repeat on sock bottom for a total of 4 increases.

Repeat rounds 3 and 4 until there are 56 total stitches are on the needles, 28 on the instep and 28 on the sole.

Work foot: Continue to work in the round, working the **above pattern** on ONLY the instep part of the foot, until you achieve the total foot length you want *BEFORE* the gusset increases. **For the blue and green socks pictured above, I only worked rounds 13 – 28 of the chart. On the white socks below, I followed the chart as written, starting with round 1 – 28 and then repeating *only* rounds 13 - 28 to give the pattern shaping on the toe.**



The gusset will begin when the measurement from the toe is 2 ½" less than what you want the total length of your sock to be.

Begin gusset by knitting across instep stitches, and then increase one stitch on each side on the *sole stitches*. Increase as for toe increases every other row until you have increased 12 stitches on each side of the sole. You will still be working in the round, but only increasing the sole stitches, NOT the instep stitches.

Work **heel** as follows:

Place a marker in the *exact center* of the heel stitches to mark the center. You will now work only on the sole part of the sock, and let the instep stitches rest. Begin on the knit side of the sole.

Row 1: Slip the first stitch, k to 3 stitches past the center marker. SSK, k1, turn.

Row 2: Slip the first stitch, p7, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 3: Slip 1, k8, SSK, k1, turn.

Row 4: Slip 1, p9, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 5: Slip 1, k10, SSK, k1, turn.

Row 6: Slip 1, p11, p2tog, p1, turn

Continue in this manner, working back and forth until all of the extra stitches from the gusset increases are worked and you again have 28 stitches on your needle. Repeat with other sock (if you are knitting magic loop) and then work in the round again for 2 inches, working the above pattern on the instep stitches and stockinette stitch on the heel stitches. (If you find that you have a hole where your heel joins, just pull up a stitch from the row below, twist it on your needle, and knit together with the next stitch on the round where you are working. This will close the hole).

After you have worked 2 inches above the heel turning, begin a k2, P2 ribbing only on the back of the leg, and working the chart on the front of the leg. Continue working (with the chart pattern on the front and the ribbing on the back) until you are a couple inches shorter than the total desired length of your sock. Knit 2 inches of k2, p2 ribbing.

Bind off loosely, using a size 5 double point needle to bind off with. (I find that this method gives me a nice loose, yet even bind off for my toe up socks).

With a crochet hook, weave in the ends, and then block the socks as you would normally do.



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