

Small Arrow Toe-Up Socks

(This pattern assumes that you have some experience in sock knitting, so is not for the beginner sock knitter.)

You will need approx.

100 grams of sock yarn.

Size 2 Needles

1 Tapestry needle.

1 Crochet hook.

Pattern Stitch for Small Arrow Toe-Up Socks

Based on 28 stitches...

Round 1: and all odd number rounds.....KNIT

Round 2. K5, *yo, ssk, k4: rep from *, end yo, ssk, k3

Round 4. K3, *k2 tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k1: rep from * end K1

Round 6. K2, K2 tog, yo, *k3, yo, sl 1, k2 tog, psso, yo, rep from*

end k3, yo, ssk, k1.

Rounds 8 & 10. K3, *yo, ssk, k1, k2 tog, yo, k1, rep from * end k1

Repeat Rounds 1-10

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: k2, m1R, k across top of sock, until 2 stitches remain, m1L, k2. 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,

The gusset will begin when the measurement from the toe is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 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 10 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. Work in the round again for another inch, 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 an inch, begin the stitch pattern on the back of the leg/heel also. Knit the leg until it's a couple inches shorter than the total desired length, and then knit 2 inches of k2, p2 ribbing. Bind off loosely, using the Elizabeth Zimmerman sewn bind off.

With a crochet hook, weave in the ends, and then block the socks as normal.

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