

Striped Rib Sox - a toe up pattern

sizes: preemie sm/med (newborn)

needed:

♥ 2.75mm (us 2) double-point knitting needles

♥ DK yarn in the following quantities:

preemie small/medium:

MC: 30 yards/CC: 18 yards

newborn:

MC: 60 yards/CC: 42 yards

gauge: 20 st/ 24 r = 2"

all yarn requirements are approximate

abbreviations:

CC - contrasting colour

k: knit

incr. make a new stitch using an Simple Cast On (backwards "e" or thumb cast on)

MC - main colour

ndl(s): needle(s)

p: purl

rnd(s): round(s)

sl 1: slip one stitch knitwise, with yarn in back

st(s): stitches

W&T: wrap and turn

instructions:

with CC cast on 12(16) stitches 6(8) each on two needles.

Easy method: hold the 2 needles parallel to each other, use a Simple Cast on, place one stitch on the left, the 2nd on the right and so on.

rnd 1: knit around. *on first row only* -- split stitches onto 3 needles 6/3/3 (8/4/4)

rnd 2: **1st needle** (instep): k1, inc 1, k across to last stitch, inc 1, k1

2nd needle (sole): k1, inc 1, k across

3rd needle (sole): k across to last stitch, inc 1, k1

repeat rows 1 & 2 until there are a total of 24 (32) stitches on the needles --

ndl 1: 12 (16) **ndl 2:** 6 (8) **ndl 3:** 6 (8)

clip CC. change to MC and work in stockinette (knit each row) until sock measures 2" (3"), or to desired length minus ½" for heel.

short row heel (worked with CC on needles 2/3)

attach CC at needle 2

row 1: Knit across sole stitches until last stitch. wrap last stitch, turn.

row 2: slip just-wrapped stitch. purl across stitches to last stitch. W&T.

row 3: slip just-wrapped stitch. knit next 9 (12) stitches. W&T.

row 4: slip just-wrapped stitch. purl next 8 (11) stitches. W&T.

continue in progression, working one less k or p each turn, until 6 (8) stitches remain unworked in the center



yarn used in photo: Bernat Sox (hot lime and white)

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heel turning:

row 1: k 6 (8), W&T. (wrapped stitch will have 2 wraps)

row 2: slip just-wrapped stitch. p 6 (8), W&T.

row 3: slip just-wrapped stitch. k 7 (9), W&T.

row 4: slip just-wrapped stitch. p 8 (10), W&T.

continue in progression, working one more k or p each turn, until all heel sts have been worked.

end by knitting across needles 2 and 3.

leg/finishing:

knitting on all needles again, you may want to redistribute the stitches at this time:

needle 1: 8 (12) needle 2: 8 (10) needle 3: 8 (12)

rnds 1-11: *with MC, k2, with CC p2. repeat from * around.

for a different look, knit the CC stitches (as shown in pic)

rnd 12: with MC, knit around

Cast off loosely using CC. Shown in pic with a sewn cast off.

Weave in ends.

Prefer to knit these socks using circular needles?

Easily make the conversion by placing the sts from Double Point 1 onto Circular 1, then sts from Double Points 2 and 3 onto Circular 2.

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