

Super Quick Baby Socks

Materials:

one set of 4.5 mm (US 7) dpn's
Worsted weight yarn

Cast on 24 stitches, divided evenly onto 3 needles. Joining rounds, work in k1, p1 ribbing until leg measures 2 1/2". Divide for heel as follows: needle 1: 12 stitches, needles 2 and 3: 6 stitches each.

Heel flap: With WS facing, and working with the 12 stitches on needle 1: sl 1, purl across, turn.

Next row: *sl 1, k1. Repeat from * to end of row.

Repeat these two rows until heel flap measure 1 1/2", ending with a purl row.

Turning the heel:

Row 1: k8, k 2 tog, turn

Row 2: sl 1, purl 4, p2 tog, turn

Row 3: sl 1, k 4, k 2 tog, turn

Row 4: sl 1, purl 4, p2tog, turn

Row 5: sl 1, k 4, k 2 tog, turn

Row 6: sl 1, purl 4, p2tog, turn

Row 7: knit (6 stitches)

With RS facing, and using the heel flap needle (needle 1), pick up 8 stitches along the side of the heel flap. With an empty needle, knit across stitches to next two needles so the 12 instep stitches are now on one needle. (needle 2) With empty needle, (now needle 3), pick up 8 stitches along other side of heel flap, and knit 3 stitches from needle 1. You should now have your stitches distributed as follows: Needle 1 - 11 stitches, needle 2 - 12 stitches, needle 3 - 11 stitches.

Shape instep:

Round 1: knit

Round 2: Knit to last 3 stitches of needle 1, k2tog, k1. Knit across needle 2. On needle 3, k1, ssk, k to end.

Repeat these two rounds until 24 stitches remain. Continue knitting every round until foot measures 2 1/2" from picked up stitches.

Shape Toe:

Round 1: On needle 1, k to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1. On needle 2, k1, ssk, k to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1. On needle 3, k1, ssk, k to end.

Round 2: knit

Repeat these two rounds until 12 stitches remain, then graft two stitches using Kitchener stitch, OR cast off and sew up.