Hunters' Socks

Size: Men's size 10-11 - length adjustable to fit other sizes

Materials: Freshisle Fibers Suffolk wool yarn, 2 skeins. Set of double pointed

needles size 3.25 mm/No. 3. Darning needle for finishing toe.

Gauge: 5 - stitches = 1"; 8 - rows = 1" in stocking stitch.

Pattern

Cuff

Cast on 48 stitches. Divide stitches evenly on 3 needles (16 stitches per needle). Join and work around in k2, p 2 ribbing for desired length. My husband likes really high socks, so I knit a really long cuff, approximately 9 inches or 60 rounds.

Shape Heel

With beginning of round as the centre of the heel, slip 12 stitches from the third needle onto the spare needle, continuing with k 2, p 2 rib work across the 12 stitches of the first needle, place the remaining 24 stitches onto spare needle for instep, continue across to 24 heel stitches.

Double Heel

Row 1: * Slip 1, k 1, repeat from * across.

Row 2: Slip 1, p across row.

Repeat these 2 rows for 2", end p row. (Approximately 22 rows total.)

Turn Heel

Row 1 : Slip 1, k 13, k2tog, k 1, turn.

Row 2 : Slip 1, p 5, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Row 3 : Slip 1, k 6, k2tog, k 1, turn.

Row 4: Slip 1, p 7, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Row 5 : Slip 1, k 8, k2tog, k 1, turn.

Row 6 : Slip 1, p 9, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Row 7 : Slip 1, k 10, k2tog, k 1, turn.

Row 8 : Slip 1, p 11, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Row 9 : Slip 1, k 12, k2tog, turn.

Row 10 : Slip 1, p 12, p2tog.

14 stitches remain.



Gusset

Knit 7 stitches and leave on spare needle. Knit remaining 7 stitches and pick up and knit 13 stitches along side of heel. With second needle, work in k 2, p 2 rib across. With third needle, pick up and knit 13 side along side of heel, knit 7 from spare needle. 20 stitches on first needle, 24 stitches on second needle, 20 stitches on third needle.

Shape Instep

Round 1: With first needle, knit to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1. With second needle work across in k2, p2 rib pattern. With third needle, k1, slip 1, k1, pass slip stitch over, k to end.

Round 2: First needle, knit. Second needle, k2 p2 rib. Third needle, knit. Repeat these two rounds until 48 stitches total remain. (16 rounds)

Foot

Continue working first needle in knit, second needle in k2 p2 rib, and third needle in knit until sock is approximately 2 inches shorter than desired length. For my husbands $10 \frac{1}{2}$ shoe size, this is 9 inches or 45 rounds.

Toe

Round 1: With first needle, knit to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k 1. With second needle, k 1, slip 1, k 1, pass slip stitch over, knit to last 3 stitches, k2tog, k 1. With third needle, k 1, slip 1, k 1, pass slip stich over, knit to end. Round 2: Knit all stitches.

Repeat these two rounds until 10 stitches remain on second needle. Knit across 5 stitches of first needle with third needle. Weave stitches together with Kitchener stitch.

Machine washable in warm or cool water. Machine dryable or lay flat to dry.



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