Watermelon Wedges Socks

Size: Average adult - length adjustable to fit other sizes

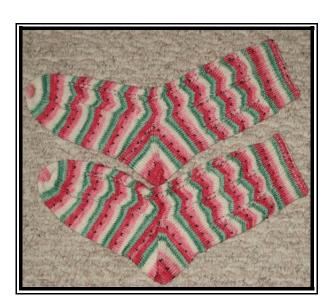
Materials: Freshisle Fibers hand dyed self-striping watermelon - Louet Gems

fingering base, 1 skein. Set of double pointed needles size 2.75 mm/No. 2 U.S. Small bit of waste yarn for heel. Darning needle for

finishing toe.

Gauge: 9 stitches = 1"; 12 rows = 1" in stocking stitch.

Pattern



Cuff

Cast on 72 stitches. Divide stitches evenly on 3 needles (24 stitches per needle). Join and work around in k1, p 1 ribbing for desired length. I knit a ribbing of 20 rounds or approximately 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Knit three rounds plain.

Leg

Pattern

Row 1 - *yo, K4, K3tog, K4, yo, K1* repeat from *to* to end.

Row 2 and Row 3 - knit.

Row 4 - repeat Row 1

Row 5 and Row 6 - knit.

Repeat these 6 rounds for desired length of leg to top of heel. I knit 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ pattern repeats ending on Row 3.

Re-arrange stitches so needle 1 will be top of foot with 36 stitches, needles 2 and 3 will be bottom of foot with 18 stitches on each needle.

Continue keeping needle 1 in pattern (on row 4) and knit needles 2 and 3.

Continue for 3 ½ pattern repeats.

On row 6 of final repeat knit needle 1 as usual, but knit needles 2 and 3 with waste yarn. Then return and knit needles 2 and 3 with main yarn as usual.



Foot

Continue to knit needle 1 in pattern and plain knit needles 2 and 3 for foot. I knit 9 full pattern repeats total (ladies size 8 foot).

Toe

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

Round 2: Knit all stitches.

Repeat these two rounds until 12 stitches remain on first needle. Knit across 6 stitches of third needle with second needle. Weave stitches together with Kitchener stitch.

Heel

Return to stitches that were knit with waste yarn. Carefully remove waste yarn and pick up live stitches on either side plus two on each corner to help close holes. I picked up a total of 76 stitches. The extra stitches also help to give the sock some give when putting it on over the heel.

Special Note: To have the heel stripes match up with the rest of the sock, pick up stitches with the colour place in the yarn that is the same as the live stitches.

I arranged stitches with 38 on needle 1, 19 on needle 2 and 19 on needle 3.

Knit for at least two rounds - more if a deeper heel is desired.

Shape heel as for toe until 14 stitches remain on needle 1. Knit across 7 stitches of third needle with second needle. Weave stitches together with Kitchener stitch.

Machine washable. Lay flat to dry or machine dryable.



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