

Lace Socks

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INTERMEDIATE

Woman's Medium (Large) [any size]



• over St st (k on RS, p on WS),
using size 2.25mm /US 1 needles



• Fine weight

• Color A, 120 yds (110m)

• Color B, 50 yds (45m)

• Color C, 40 yds (36m)



• Four double-pointed needles
2.25mm/US 1



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Notes

1 Sl sts purlwise with yarn at WS of work. **2** Pick up sts in every other row along triangle edge picking up a st in the larger sts resulting from the dec sts along the triangle edge.

Shown at left: Koigu Premium Merino color #2339 light, and dark, and Painter's Palette #2290.

Dec Triangle

Row 1 (RS) Knit. **Row 2** Purl. **Row 3** Ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. Rep rows 2 and 3 until 2 sts rem, end with row 2. Next row (RS) K2tog. Fasten off last st.

Inc Triangle

Row 1 (RS) Pick up and k 2 sts, one from each side of V formed by sides of triangle(s) below. **Row 2** Sl 1, p1, pick up and p 1 st along edge of triangle. **Row 3** Sl 1, k2, pick up and k 1 st along edge of triangle. **Row 4** Sl 1, p to last st, pick up and p 1 st. **Row 5** Sl 1, k to end, pick up and k 1 st. Rep rows 4 and 5, end with row 5.

Sock

With A, cast on 60 (70) [a multiple of 10] sts. Join and work in rnds. **Rnd 1** *P1, ssk, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, k2tog; rep from*. **Rnd 2** *P1, k9; rep from*. Rep these 2 rnds 10 times more, [inc or dec] to 64 (72) [total sts; multiple of 4] on last rnd—total stitches. Divide sts equally on 2 dpn.

Section 1

Work back and forth on the sts on one dpn as foll: K32 (36) [1/2 of total]. Turn. Work Dec Triangle beg with row 2. When 2 sts rem, end with row 2 (do not work last k2tog). Cut yarn and place the 2 sts on hold.

Section 1a

Work back and forth on the 32 (36) sts on the other dpn as foll: Work Dec Triangle beg with row 2 for front of foot.

Section 2

Left side

With RS facing and C, beg in V to left of Section 1 triangle and work as foll: **Row 1** (RS) Pick up and k 2 sts. **Row 2** Sl 1, p1, pick up and p1 along edge. **Row 3** Sl 1, k1, inc 1, k1, pick up and k1. **Row 4** Sl 1, p 4, pick up and p1. **Row 5** Sl 1, k3, inc 1, k2, pick up and k1. **Row 6** Sl 1, p7, pick up and p1.

Row 7 Sl 1, k5, inc 1, k3, pick up and k1. Cont in this way, working 1 more k st before inc every RS row until there are 47 (53) sts on needle [1 less than 3/4 of total]. P31 (35) [1 less than 1/2 of total]; on 2nd needle p16 (18) [1/4 of total]. Cut yarn, leave sts on needles.

Right side

With 2 more needles and C, beg in V to right of Section 1 triangle and work as foll: **Row 1** (RS) Pick up and k 2 sts. **Row 2** Sl 1, p1, pick up and p1 along edge. **Row 3** Sl 1, k1, inc 1, k1, pick up and k1. **Row 4** Sl 1, p4, pick up and p1. **Row 5** Sl 1, k2, inc 1, k2, pick up and k1. **Row 6** Sl 1, p7, pick up and p1. **Row 7** Sl 1, k4, inc 1, k3, pick up and k1. Cont in this way, working 2 more k sts before inc until there are 47 (53) sts on needle. **Next row** (WS) With needle holding 16 (18) [1/4 of total] sts from left side, p 16 (18) from right side; p 31 (35) rem sts from right side onto separate needle. Cut yarn. With RS facing and C, join yarn at needle holding 32 (36) [1/4 of total] sts and work a Dec Triangle. Cut yarn.

Section 3

Turn heel

With RS facing, place 2 sts from Section 1 onto left needle holding 31 (35) [1 less than 1/2 of total] right-side heel sts—33 (37) [1/2 + 1 of total] sts. Join B and turn heel as foll: **Row 1** K2, ssk, k1, turn. **Row 2** Sl 1, p3, p2tog from 2nd needle, p1, turn. **Row 3** Sl 1, k4, ssk, k1, turn. **Row 4** Sl 1, p5, p2tog, p1, turn. Rep rows 3 and 4, working 1 more st before the dec on each row until 6 C sts rem on each side, then replace ssk with SK2P and p2tog with p3tog until 32 (36) sts (1/2 of total) rem on needle.

Band on left side of foot

Row 1 (RS) K14 (16) [2 less than 1/4 of total], k2tog, turn. **Row 2** With a free needle, p to end, pick up and p1 along C Triangle. **Row 3** Sl 1, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. Rep last 2 rows until all sts along C Triangle have been picked up (end with a WS row). Cut yarn, leave sts on needle.

Band on right side of foot

Work rem sts at heel. **Row 1** (RS) Join yarn. Ssk, k 14 (16) [2 less than 1/4 of total], pick up and k1. **Row 2** Sl 1, p to end. Rep last 2 rows until all sts along C Triangle have been picked up (end with a WS row).

Work Triangle on top of foot

Work Dec Triangle beg with row 3 across 32 (36) [1/2 of total] sts from both sides of foot.

Work bottom of foot and toe

With RS facing and A, beg in V and work Inc Triangle until foot measures approx 6 3/4" [approx. 2 1/4" less than desired length], ending with a WS row.

Notes

1 Add a needle when necessary. **2** If you reach 64 (72) [total] sts, begin to work in rnds and shape toe as for colorful socks.

Shape toe

Place center 32 (36) [1/2 of Total] sts on a needle. **Next row** (RS) **Needle 1:** Sl 1, k to 3 sts before end of needle, k2tog, k1; **Needle 2:** k1, ssk, k to 3 sts before end of needle, k2tog, k1; **Needle 3:** k1, ssk, k to end, pick up and k1 stitch. **Row 2** Sl 1, p to end, pick up and p 1 st. Rep last 2 rows until all sts along B triangle have been picked up. This should occur on a RS row and there should be an even number of sts. Join and K 1 rnd. Cont dec as before (do not slip first st) on next rnd, then every other rnd until 12 sts rem. K 3 sts on 1st needle, then slip them onto 3rd needle. Graft sts tog.