



A BEE IN THE BONNET



AMICUS SOCKS

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Introduction

amicus (n) – from the Latin for “friend”

One thing that helps me get through day to day life is the support of good friends. Friends can help cheer you up when you’re feeling down, give wise advice, comfort you when you’re scared or sad, and rejoice with you when things go well. I wish you deep, sustaining friendships that nourish you in the coming years.

And a good pair of socks can be friends of a sort, too. They’ll keep your feet snug on cold nights, provide soft comfort when you need it, and help protect you from chafing and blisters. These socks, with their dancing eyelets and simple cables, are a feast of cozy details meant to comfort and warm you. With their simple stitch repeat (just ten stitches and six rows), these socks are also an easily-memorized pattern you can take anywhere with you.

I try my very best to make sure that all of my patterns are error-free and easy to follow. If you have any trouble with this pattern, please let me know! You can reach me by email at abeeinthebonnet@gmail.com, on Ravelry at abeeinthebonnet, on Instagram at @abeeinthebonnet, and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/abeeinthebonnet>.

And of course, if you share photos of your project on social media, I’d love to see them! Please tag your photos with #AmicusSocks and #ABITBKnits to share with others.

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Pattern Specs

- SIZES** S, M, L
- Finished sock dimensions: 7.5" (19 cm), 8.75" (22 cm), 10" (25.5 cm) circumference (Note: most people like their socks snug, so choose a finished sock size that is slightly smaller than your actual foot)
- MATERIALS** Fingering weight yarn, 300-380 yds (274-348 m)
- Sample shown knit in Sweet Sparrow Yarns Swift, 80% SW merino, 20% nylon, 400 yds (366 m) / 3.5 oz (100 g)
- GAUGE** 4" (10 cm) square = 32 stitches x 40 rows in stockinette
- NEEDLES** One set of needles for your preferred style of small-circumference knitting in a size to match gauge listed above
- Suggested needle size: US 1.5 (2.5 mm)
- TOOLS** One stitch marker for beginning of round; optional additional markers between pattern repeats
Tapestry needle for weaving in ends
- SKILL LEVEL** Intermediate
- Techniques: cables, increases, decreases, knitting in the round, Kitchener stitch grafting

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Abbreviations

- k = knit
- k2tog = knit two stitches together
- yo = yarn over
- 2/2 LC = slip two stitches individually purlwise and hold to front, knit next two stitches, move slipped stitches back to left-hand needle, knit two stitches
- p = purl
- ssk = slip two stitches individually knitwise and knit together through the back loop

Pattern Instructions

Using your preferred cast-on method, cast on 60 (72) (80) stitches. Join for knitting in the round and take care not to twist. Place a marker at the join to mark the end of the round.

Work 12 rounds of k2, p2 ribbing.

Set-up Round (Sizes S and L): Knit all stitches.

Set-up Round (Size M): K34, k2tog, k34, k2tog.

length of the leg will affect how much yarn you use.

Round 1 and all odd-numbered rounds:
K4, p6.

Round 2: *2/2 LC, k4, k2tog, yo, repeat from * to end of round.

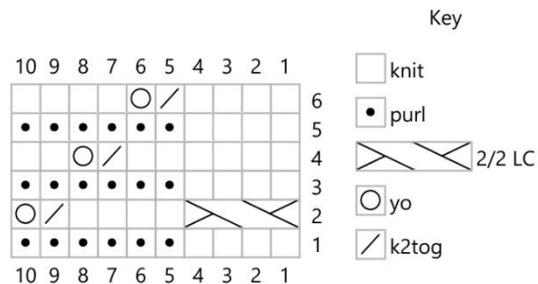
Round 4: *K6, k2tog, yo, k2, repeat from * to end of round.

Round 6: *K4, k2tog, yo, k4, repeat from * to end of round.

Leg Instructions:

Work the following 6-round repeat or see Chart A. Work this repeat until the leg of your sock measures 6" (15 cm), ending on Round 6. You can make this part of your sock longer or shorter, if you'd like, but know that changes to the

Chart A



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Heel:

This sock uses a heel flap and gusset for a snug, highly customizable fit. You'll work your heel flap using the last 30 (36, 40) stitches of your sock. Work in pattern across the first 30 (34, 40) stitches.

Now begin working your heel flap as follows:

Row 1 (RS): *Slip 1 purlwise with yarn in back, k1, repeat from * to end of row.
Row 2 (WS): Slip 1 purlwise, p to end of row.

Work these two rows until you have 30 (36, 40) rows total, ending on a WS row.

Now it's time to turn the heel. For each slip stitch in the following instructions, slip your stitch purlwise with yarn held in back (RS rows) or front (WS rows).

Follow these steps:

1. K17 (20, 22), ssk, k1, turn.
2. Sl 1, p5, p2tog, p1, turn.
3. Sl 1, knit to within first st from gap, ssk, k1, turn.
4. Sl 1, p to within first st from gap, p2tog, p1, turn.
5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 until you have used up all the stitches in your heel flap, ending on a WS row.

Gusset: Knit half of the heel stitches and place marker. Rounds will now start in the middle of the heel flap. Knit remaining heel stitches and pick up one stitch in each of the slipped edge stitches along the heel flap. Pick up 1 additional stitch where heel flap and instep join. Work in pattern across the instep stitches. Pick up and knit one

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stitch where instep and heel flap join and one stitch in each slipped stitch along the other edge of the other side of the heel flap. Work remaining stitches from heel flap.

Work one round, knitting the sole stitches and working the instep stitches in pattern.

Round 1: Knit to 3 stitches before instep, k2tog, k1, work instep stitches in pattern, k1, ssk, knit to end of round.
Round 2: Work one round, knitting the sole stitches and working the instep stitches in pattern.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 until there are 60 (70, 80) stitches total on your needles.

Foot:

Remove end of round marker and knit to beginning of instep. Replace end of round marker.

Continue working in pattern across instep and knitting across sole until foot measures 2" (5 cm) shorter than your desired length, ending on row 6 (note: for Size M, your instep has 34 stitches in pattern plus one plain knit stitch at the end). To determine the length of your



sock's foot, measure from the outside of your heel to the tip of your toes. Compare that to the length of your sock from the deepest part of the heel to the working edge.

Toe:

When you've finished knitting the body of your sock, you'll need to close the toe.

First, you'll need to work a set-up round.

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Sizes S and L: Knit to end of round.

Size M: K33, k2tog, k33, k2tog.

Now work the toe as follows for each size:

1. *K13 (15, 18), k2tog, repeat from * to end of round.
2. Knit to end of round.
3. *K12 (14, 17), k2tog, repeat from * to end of round.
4. Knit to end of round.
5. Repeat steps 3 and 4, reducing the number of knit stitches before

the k2tog by one stitch each round, until 32 (36, 40) stitches total remain on your needles.

6. *K6 (7, 8), k2tog, repeat from * to end of round.
7. Repeat step 6, reducing the number of knit stitches before the k2tog by one stitch each round, until 8 stitches total remain on your needles.
8. Thread yarn through remaining stitches, draw closed, and secure.

Weave in ends securely and block.

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