



# Extinction Era Socks

## Extinction Era Socks – Dinosaur Colorwork Knitting Pattern

Step back in time with the Extinction Era Socks, a bold and cozy sock pattern featuring a striking colorwork dinosaur motif designed for adventurous adult knitters. These socks are perfect for dino lovers and fans of fun, wearable designs with a touch of prehistoric flair.

### Pattern Details:

Skill Level: Intermediate (requires knowledge of stranded colorwork)

Yarn: Drops Nord or any 4-ply/fingering weight yarn

Needles: 2.25mm circular needles (magic loop); recommended to size up for colorwork

Gauge: 36 stitches x 38 rows = 10 cm (4 inches) in stockinette

Construction: Knit top-down with a smooth German short row heel

Sizing: Includes Small and Large sizes with an adjustable foot length

The Extinction Era Socks are a fun and rewarding knit that combines playful design with classic sock construction. Whether you're a seasoned sock knitter or building your stranded colorwork skills, these socks will stomp their way into your favorites.

## Supplies

### Yarn:

**Drops Nord**

**MC - Light Peach**

**CC1- Forest Green**

**CC2- Off White**

### Needles:

2.25mm 80cm circular needles

2.75mm 80cm circular needles

### Gauge

36 stitches and 38 rows per 10 cm.

### Size -

**S/L** - 18cm/22cm circumference

Variable foot length

### Extras:

Stich Markers

Tapestry needles for weaving in ends

## Abbreviations

**St** – Stitch

**K** – Knit

**P** – Purl

**Sl** – Slip stitch

**ktbl** - Knit though the back loop

**WS**- Wrong side

**RS**- Right Side

**MC** - Main Colour

**CC1** - Contrast Colour 1

**CC2** - Contrast Colour 2

**K2tog** – Knit 2 stitches together

**P2tog** – Purl 2 stitches together

**SSK** – Slip slip knit

**PM** - Place Marker

**SM** - Slip Marker

**MDS** - Make double stitch

**BOR** - Beginning of round

**Rep** - Repeat



# Pattern

## Cuff

Cast on 60/72 stitches in CC using the cast on method of your choice, I like to use the German twisted cast on . Divide the stitches evenly between your needles. Join for working in the round, taking care not to twist the stitches.

**Round 1:** \*Ktbl 1, p1, repeat from \* to end of round.

Rep Round 1 until desired cuff length has been achieved.

## Leg

You may wish to switch to a larger needle size for the colour work section of the socks to keep to the gauge.

Using MC, do not cut CC1.

**Rounds 1-3 - Knit**

After rounds 1-3 have been completed follow chart A1/A2. Then, continue knitting in the round using MC until the desired leg length is achieved. If you would like a longer leg, I would recommend cutting CC1 and rejoining it for the heel.

## Heel - Set up

Using CC1 only - you will need the MC for the two rounds in the centre of the heel. If you are not confident carrying the yarn over on the heel, I recommend cutting the MC yarn and rejoining it when needed weaving in the long tails at the end.

**R1 -** K10, PM, K10, PM, K10, turn

Turn your work so WS of needle 1 is facing you. Put the remaining stitches on needle 2 on hold on another needle or on your circular needle cable.

**R1:** MDS, P to end, turn

**R2:** MDS, K to 1st double stitch, turn

**R3:** MDS, P to 1st double stitch, turn

**Repeat Rows 2 & 3 until all stitches left and right of the markers have been worked.**

Knit across all stitches on needles 1&2 twice ending back at the first stitch marker. When you get to the double stitches, these are knit together through the back loop. The two rounds knit on Needle 2 need to be knit in MC, so you will need to either carry the yarn across or cut and reattach your MC yarn.

### **Using CC1 yarn only**

R1 - K to next stitch marker, remove marker, K1, turn.

R2 - MDS, P to marker, remove marker, p1, turn.

R3 - MDS, k to 1st double stitch, knit double stitch through the back loop, k1, turn

R4 - MDS, P to 1st double stitch, Purl double stitch together, P1, turn

**Rep rounds 3 & 4 until all stitches have been worked. Cut CC1 and leave a long tail for weaving in.**

### **Foot - Using MC**

Continue knitting in the round using MC until the foot measures the desired length.

### **Womens foot length guide**

Size 3 - 20cm

Size 4 - 21cm

Size 5 - 22cm

Size 6 - 23cm

Size 7 - 24cm

### **Toe**

Cut MC leaving a long end for weaving in.

### **Using CC1 only.**

**Round 1:** Knit all stitches

**Round 2:** K1, ktog, k to to 3 stitches before end of needle, SSK, K1 \* Rep on needle 2

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 5/8 more times

Then just round 2 another 5 times.

You should now have 20 stitches left on the needles.

Cut the yarn leaving a long tail for sewing and using the Kitchener Stitch or the stitch of your choosing sew the last stitches together.

Weave in the ends and block.



# Chart A2

