

by Page Of Cups

The pattern for these socks was inspired by the wonderful celtic ornaments on buildings and inbooks like the *Book Of Kells*.

Material:

60 g - 70 g (2.1 oz - 2.5 oz) 4ply sock yarn
420 m /100 g (459 yds / 3.5 oz) MC
(Parchment)

40 g - 50 g (1.4 oz - 1.8 oz) 4ply sock yarn
420 m /100 g (459 yds / 3.5 oz) CC
(Brown)

Needles:

2 circular knitting needles, 60 cm
(24 in), US 1.5 (2.50 mm)

Gauge:

38 sts x 40 rnds in pattern
= 10 cm x 10 cm = 4 in x 4 in



Instructions

Hint: Depending on your preferred needles and your way of knitting you might want to place markers and / or mark needle positions in the charts :)

Cuff:

With MC cast on 64 (72 sts) , join for working in the round and work 12 rows * k1, p1 *.

Leg:

Knit 1 round in MC to 3 sts before end, k2tog, k1. => 63 (71) sts
Needle 1 holds sts no. 1-32 (1-36) , needle 2 holds sts 33 - 63 (37-71)

Continue using chart A:

Always knit the first st in every round in MC, then work chart A this way:

For size M (63 sts) start at the blue line, for size L (71 sts) start at the green line.

Knit to end of chart, then repeat the red part of the chart until end of round is reached.

NOTE: Round ends with st 16 (20) of chart A. Work chart A once in height.

Continue with chart B:

Here too, always knit the first st in every round in MC, then work chart B this way:

For size M (63 sts) start at the blue line, for size L (71 sts) start at the green line.

Knit to end of chart, then repeat the red part of the chart until end of round is reached.

NOTE: Round ends with st 18 (22) of chart B. Work chart B once in height.

Knit 1 round in MC. Cut CC.

The beginning of the round is still at the center back.

Rearrange the sts as follows:

Slip 16 (18) sts from the end of needle 1 to the beginning of needle 2.

Knit the remaining 16 (18) sts on needle 1.

Slip 17 (19) sts from the end of needle 2 to the beginning of needle 1.

=> Needle 1 now holds 31 (35) sts for the heel, needle 2 holds 32 (36) sts for the instep.

Heel:

Turn the work and start with WS facing.

R1: Slip 1, purl to end of needle, turn

R2: Slip 1, knit to end of needle, turn

Repeat these 2 rows until you have a total of 29 (33) rows for the heel flap, end after a WS row.

Turn heel:

R1: Slip 1, knit 17 (19), SSK, knit 1, turn

R2: Slip 1, purl 6, p2tog, purl 1, turn

R3: Slip 1, knit 7, SSK, knit 1, turn

Repeat rows 2 and 3, increasing the number of plain knit or purl sts by 1 in each row.

End after a WS row. => 19 (21) sts heel

Gusset - Setup:

On needle 1, slip 1, knit 8 (9) with MC, knit 10 (11) with CC.

With CC pick 15 (17) sts from the edge of the heel flap and knit or knit tbl.

On needle 2, with CC knit the 32 (36) sts for the instep.

With CC and needle 1 pick 15 (17) sts from the edge of the heel flap and knit or knit tbl.

Knit the remaining 8 (9) sts of the heel with CC.

You have now reached the middle of the sole. Mark this as the new beginning of round.

Needle 2 holds the sts for the instep = 32 (36) sts

Needle 1 holds the heel sts and the gusset sts picked up from along the sides of the heel flap
= 49 (55) sts

Switch to MC. Needle 1: knit to 3 sts before end, k2tog, k1.

Needle 2: with MC, knit across. Needle 1: K1, SSK, knit to end of round.

The beginning of the round is in the middle of the sole therefore always half of the sts on needle 1 is worked at the end of a row. Don't get distracted ;)

Gusset:

For the sole use chart D in the appropriate size. Beginning of the round is in the middle of the sole, therefore always start at the blue (green) line.

For the foot use chart C. For size M knit the sts between the blue lines, for size L knit the complete width between the green lines.

Foot:

Continue working following charts C and D until the desired length of the foot is reached (when you try it on your little toe should just peek a bit out of the sock), about 5 cm (2 in) shorter than total length of sock. Work the remaining sts on needle 1 (sole) in pattern.

Needle 1 holds the 31 (35) sts of the sole; needle 2 holds the 32 (26) sts of the instep.
Cut CC.

Toe:

Work in MC. We are now on the start of needle 2 (=foot).

Rnd 1 (decrease rnd): on both needles, knit 1, SSK, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, knit 1.

Rnd 2: knit all sts.

Repeat these 2 rounds until there are 16 (18) sts on needle 2 and 15 (17) sts on needle 1.

Continue repeating round 1 only until there are 11 sts total left.

Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail, pull through all sts tightly and weave in end.

Charts

Explanation:

□ = MC (Parchment)

● = CC (Brown)

Chart A - Right Sock

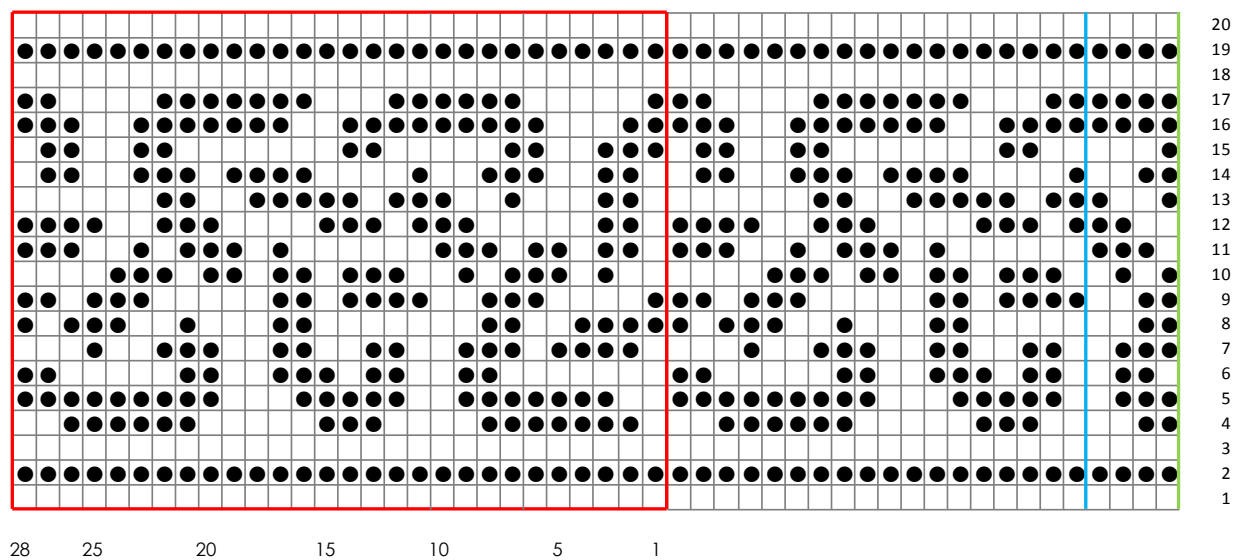


Chart A - Left Sock

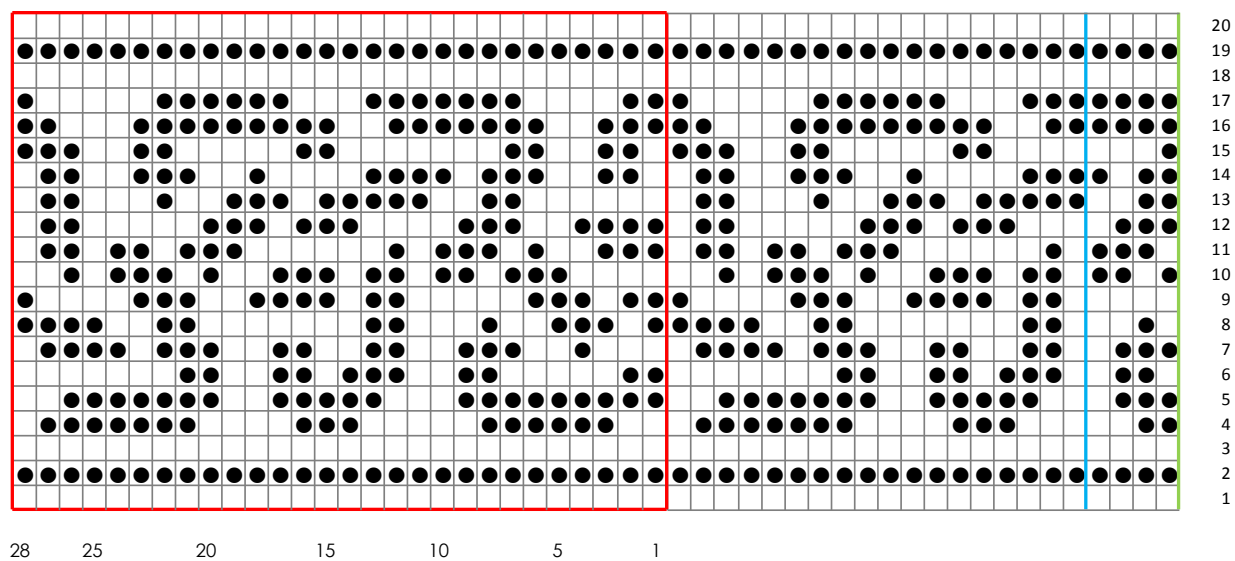


Chart B - Right Sock

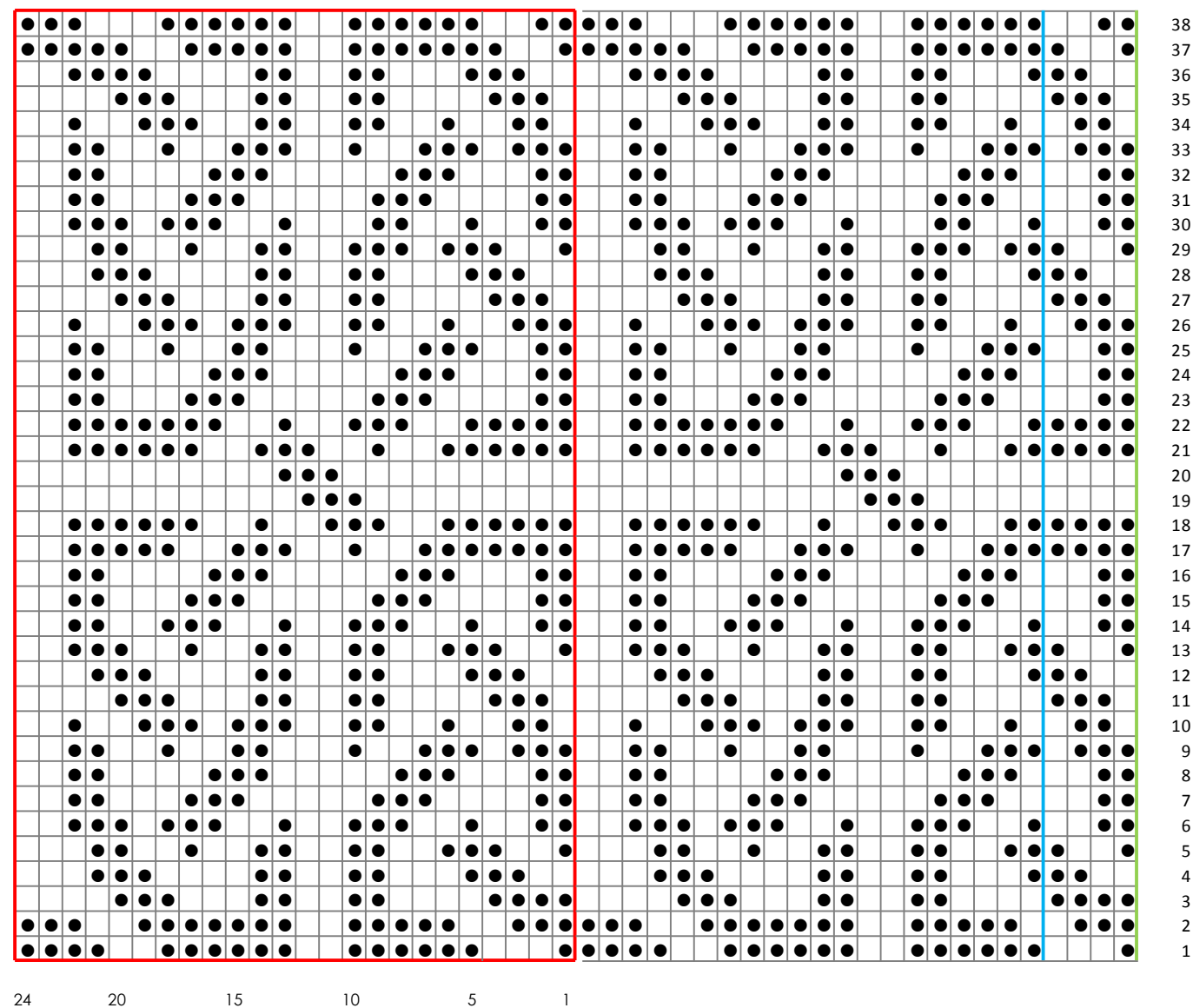


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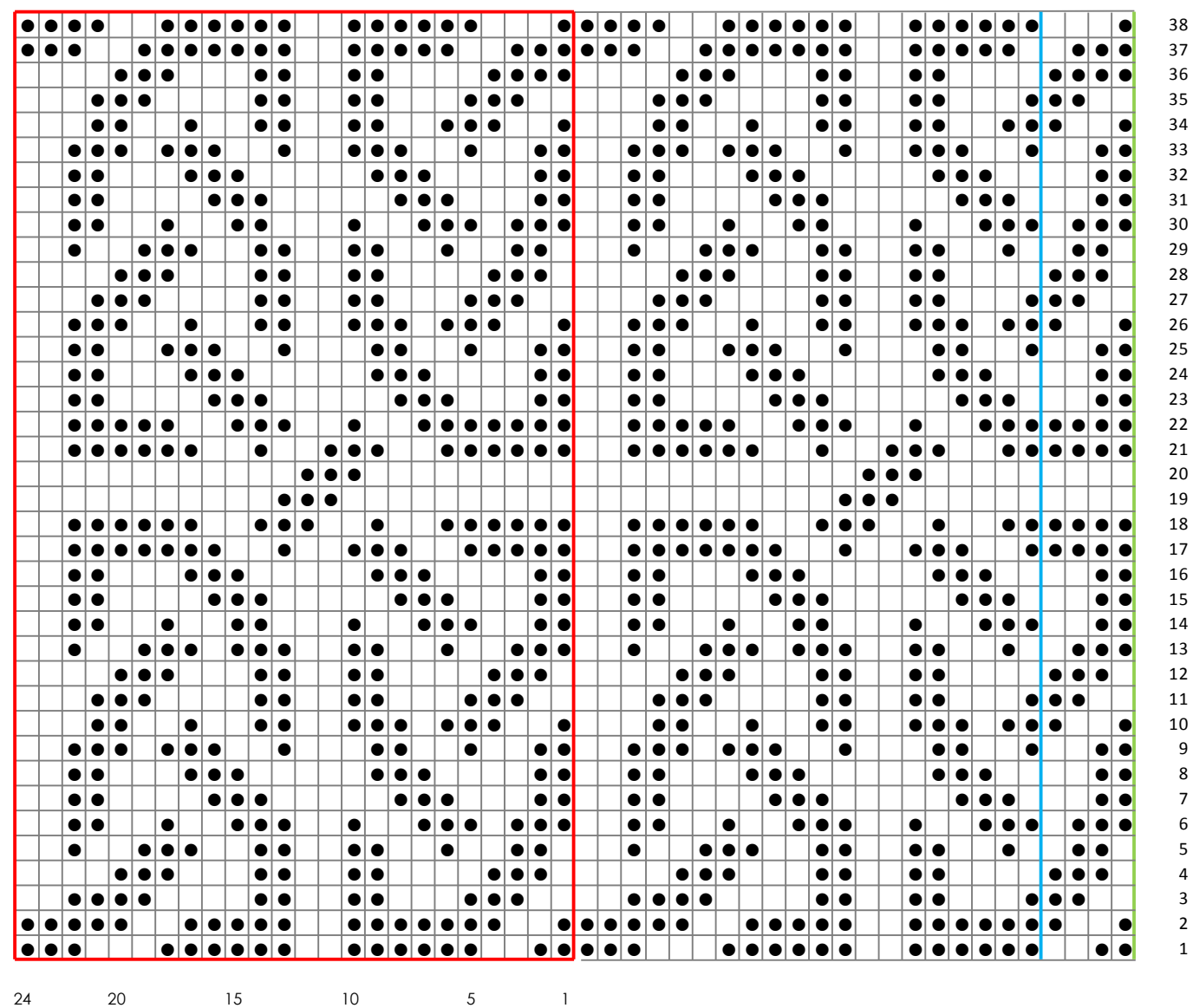


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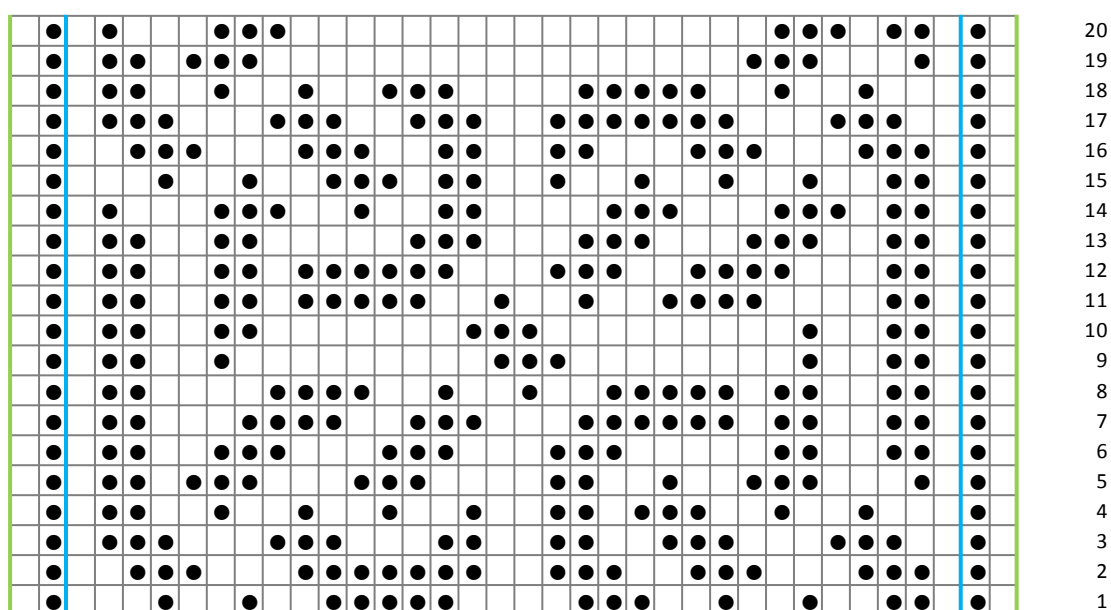


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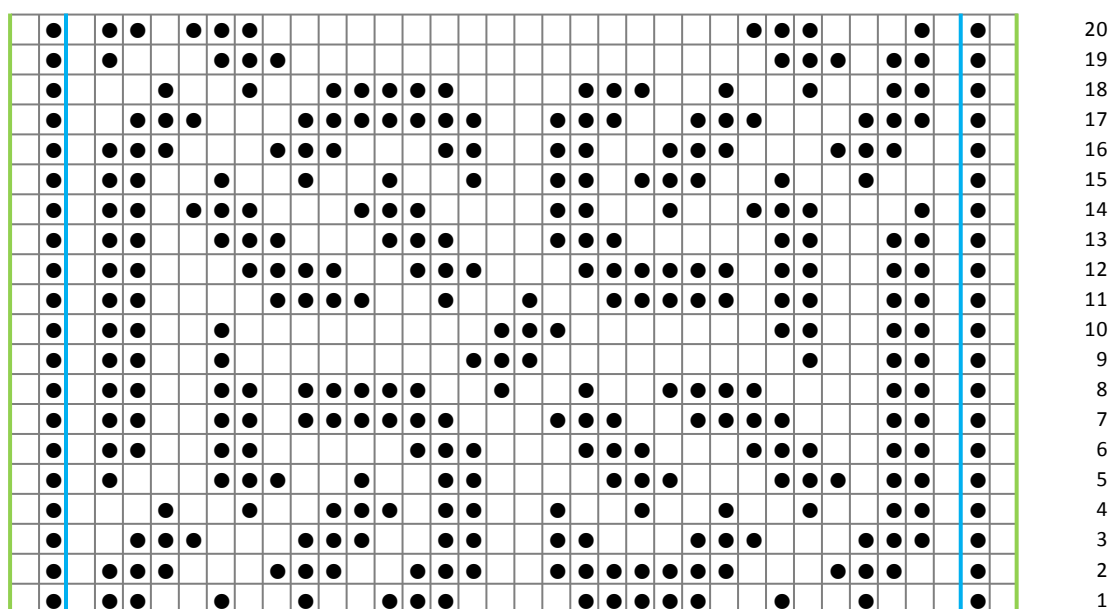
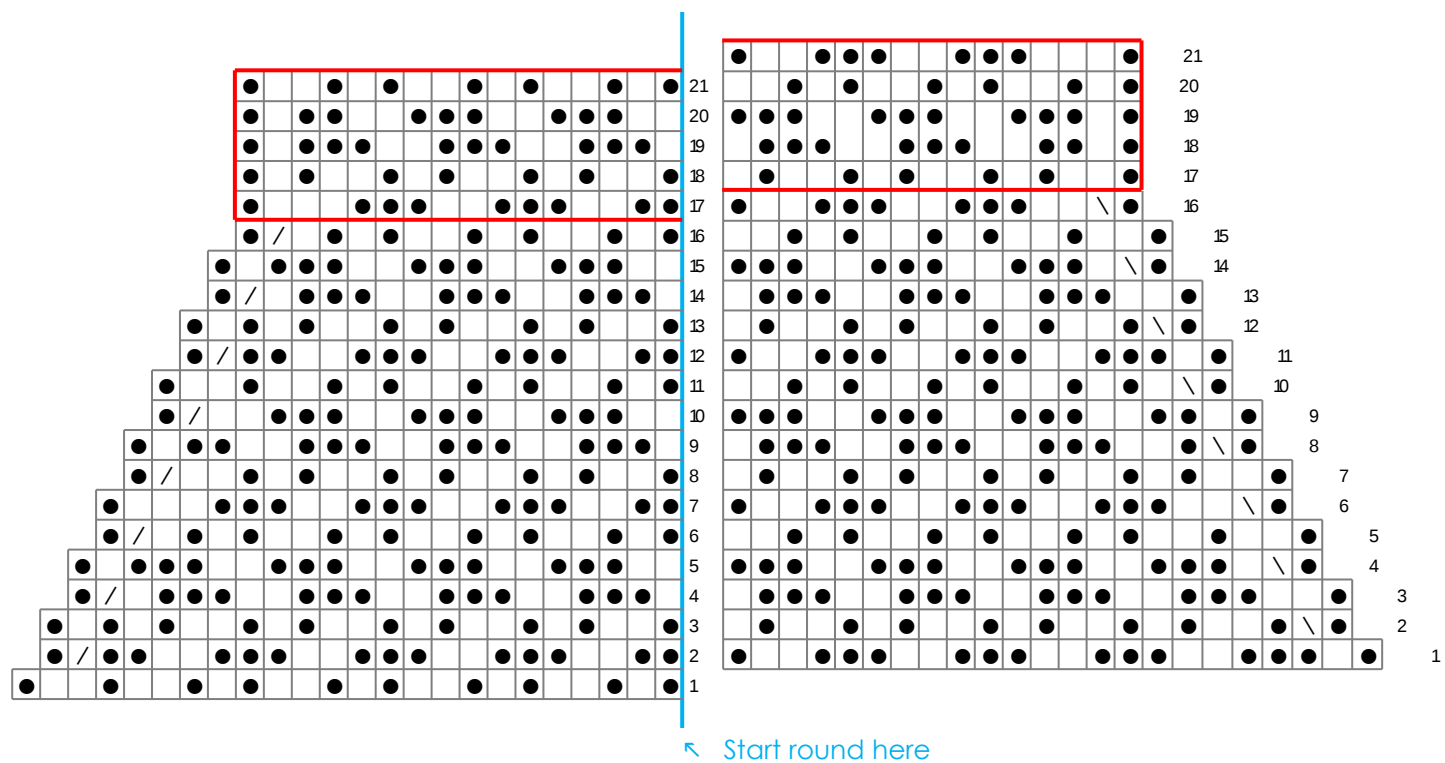
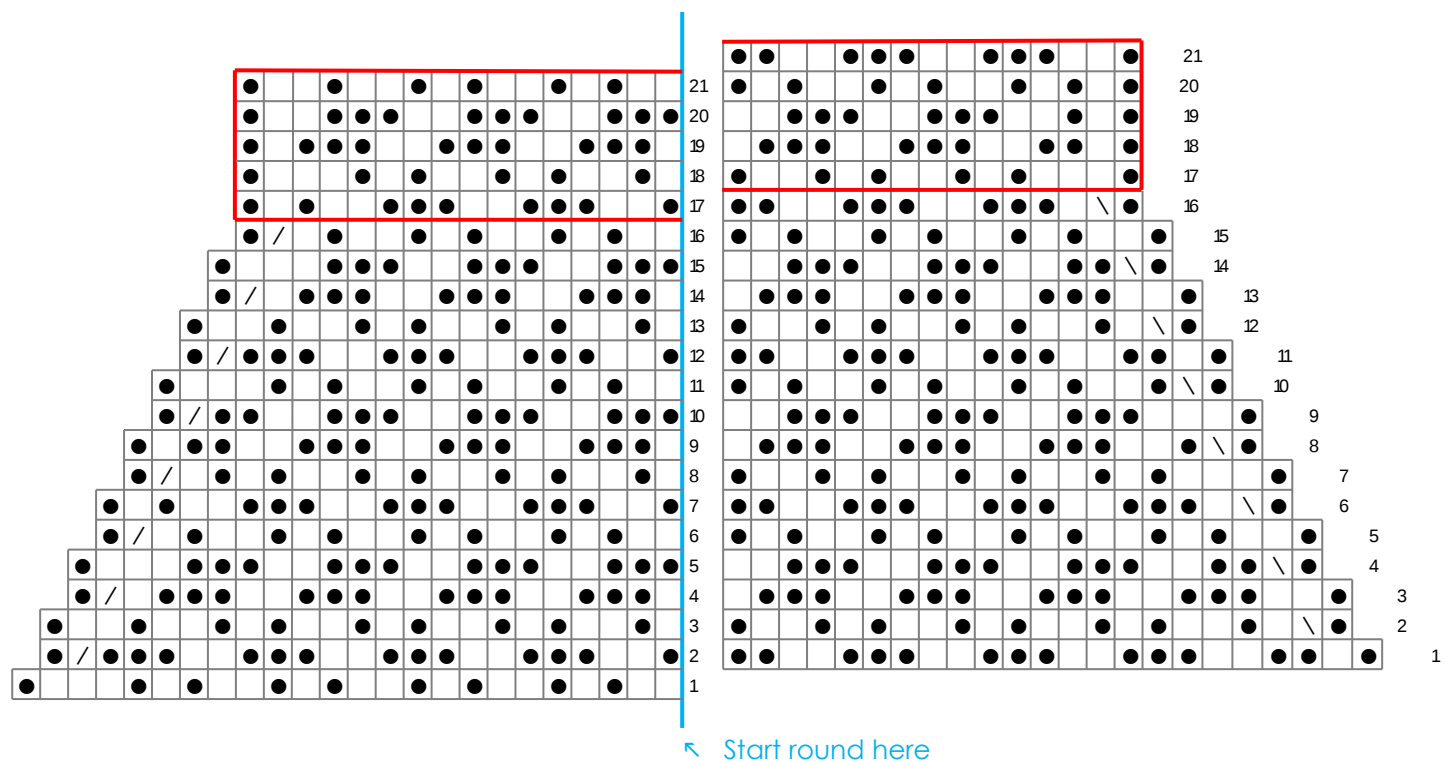


Chart D - Right Sock - Size M (63 sts)



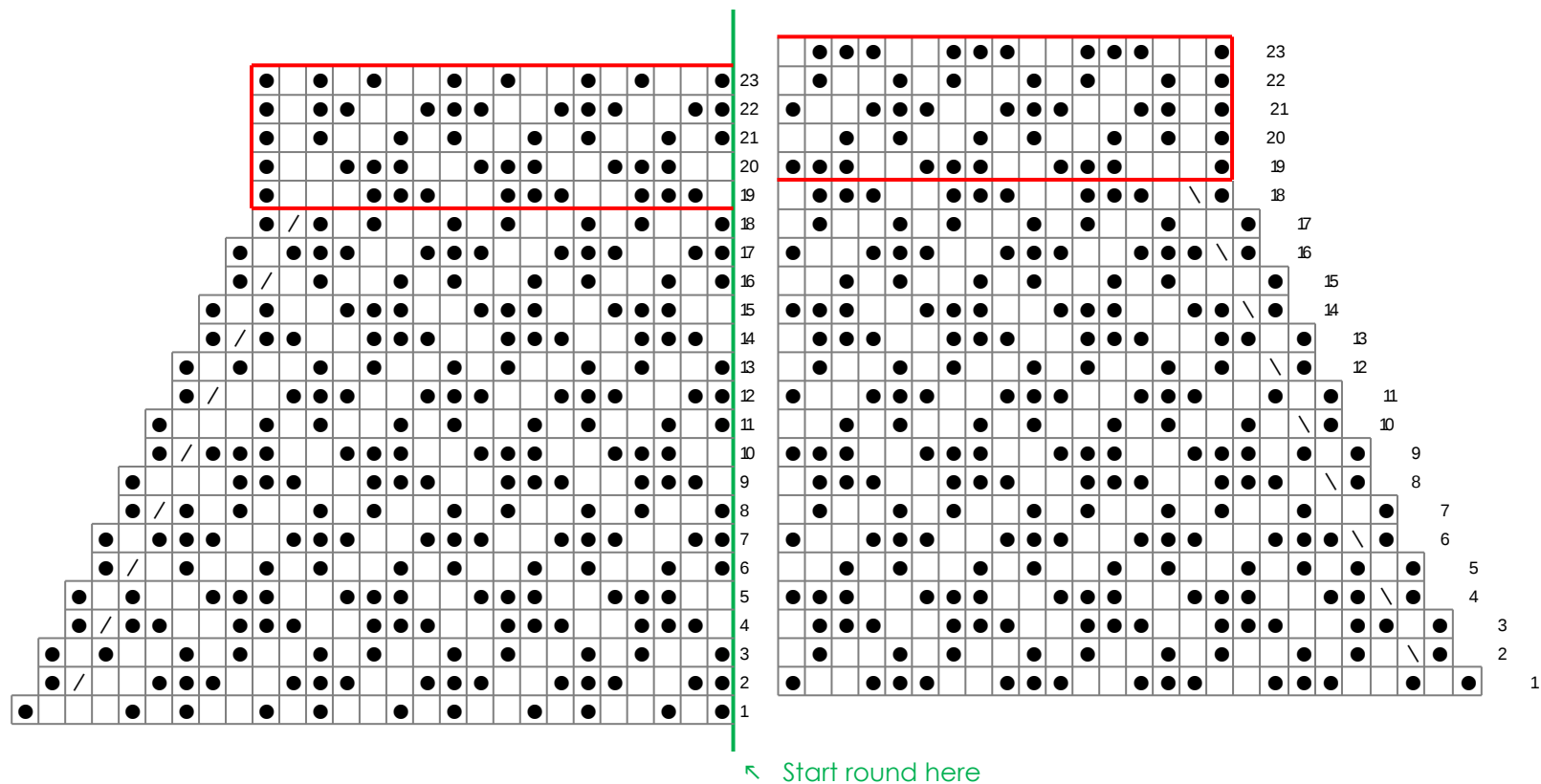
After the gusset decreasing in round 16 repeat rounds 17-21 until desired foot length.

Chart D - Left Sock - Size M (63 sts)



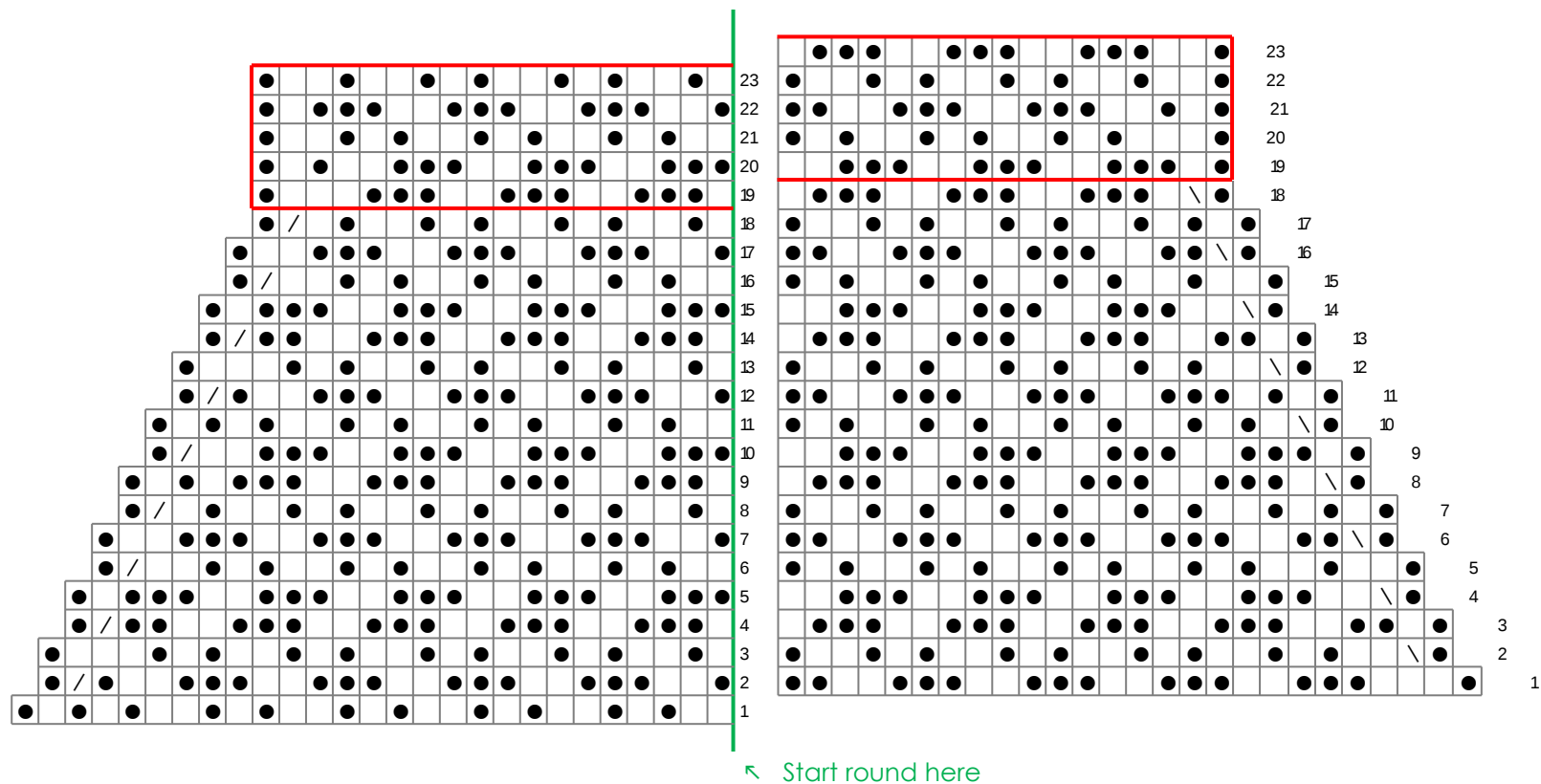
After the gusset decreasing in round 16 repeat rounds 17-21 until desired foot length.

Chart D - Right Sock - Size L (71 sts)



After the gusset decreasing in round 18 repeat rounds 19-23 until desired foot length.

Chart D - Left Sock - Size L (71 st)



After the gusset decreasing in round 18 repeat rounds 19-23 until desired foot length.