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DETAILS

I've been wanting a go-to sock pattern to use with my handspun, which inspired these Curio socks! If you don't spin yarn yourself, any color shifting or self-stripping yarn would be very fun to use. The pattern works equally as well with solids, or to use up odds & ends from previous projects!



SIZES

1 (2, 3, 4, 5)(**6, 7, 8**)[**9, 10, 11**]

To fit:

Baby (Toddler, Children - S, M, L)(**Women - S, M, L**)[**Men - S, M, L**]

See Notes (pg. 3) for further information on sizing. This pattern is gender neutral, with "Women" and "Men" only being used to signify the correlating shoe size.



FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

4.5 (5.5, 5.5, 6.5, 6.5)(**6.5, 7.5, 8.5**)[**7.5, 8.5, 9.5**]/11.5 (14, 14, 16.5, 16.5)(**16.5, 19, 21.5**)[**19, 21.5, 24**] cm foot circumference

Recommended fit is 0-1"/0-2.5 cm of negative ease in circumference (when measured at the widest part of the foot).



YARN

These are approx. for total yarn used per pair. Sock yarn can vary drastically from brand to brand and the amount will vary depending on foot length and if you decide to play with contrast heels, toes, stripes, etc.

Main Color (MC) - Fingering Weight (100 g/421 yd/385 m)

13 (21, 31, 34, 44)(**45, 55, 66**)[**58, 69, 81**] g

51 (84, 121, 136, 175)(**180, 219, 261**)[**232, 275, 322**] yds

Contrast Color (CC) - Sport Weight (50 g/200 yd/183 m)

7 (11, 15, 17, 22)(**23, 28, 33**)[**29, 35, 41**] g

26 (42, 61, 68, 88)(**90, 110, 131**)[**116, 138, 161**] yds



SUGGESTED YARN

MC - La Bien Aimee Mondim - 100% Portuguese Wool (100 g/421 yd/385 m) - 1 skein Emeline (Dark Teal)

CC - Spincycle Yarns Dyed in the Wool - 100% Superwashed American Wool (50 g/200 yd/183 m) - 1 skein The Meadows



SUGGESTED NEEDLES

Main: US 1.5/2.5 mm - 32"/80 cm circular for Magic Loop

Ribbing: US 1/2.25 mm - 32"/80 cm circular for Magic Loop

(Use the needle size you need to achieve gauge. Choose a needle 1 size smaller for the ribbing.)



NOTIONS

Removable/clip marker, smooth waste yarn for Afterthought heel and lifelines, tapestry needle, row counter (recommended) and scissors.



GAUGE

32 sts & 48 rounds = 4" / 10 cm

Measured over stockinette stitch in the round using Main needle, after blocking.



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NOTES

- Sample socks are size 7 shown on an 8.5"/21.5 cm circumference foot.
- These socks are graded to fit an approx. **foot circumference** of: 4.5 (5.5, 6, 6.5, 7)(**7, 8, 9**)[**8, 9, 10**]/11.5 (14, 15, 16.5, 18)(**18, 20.5, 23**)[**20.5, 23, 25.5**] cm worn with approx. 0-1"/0-2.5 cm of negative ease (less for the smaller sizes, and more for the larger sizes).
- Sizes 1 (2, 3, 4, 5) are meant to fit Baby to Youth Large: 6-18 mo (2-3 yr, 4-5 yr, 6-9 yr, 10-13 yr)
- Sizes (**6, 7, 8**) are meant to fit Adults who wear a US women's shoe size of (4-6.5, 7-9.5, 10-12.5).
- Sizes [**9, 10, 11**] are meant to fit Adults who wear a US men's shoe size of [6-8.5, 9-11.5, 12-14].
- Ideally for the best fit, you would try this sock on the intended wearer to know exactly when to begin shaping for the Gusset and Heel, but since that is not always an option (hello gifts!) here are approx. TOTAL foot lengths by size from the Craft Yarn Council:
Babies 6-18 months 3-4.5"/7.5-11.5 cm
Toddlers 2-3 years 4.75-6"/12-15 cm
Child (S) 4-5 years 6.5-7.5"/16.5-19 cm
Child (M) 6-9 years 7.75-8.5"/19.5-21.5 cm
Child (L) 10-13 years 8.75-9.5"/25-24 cm
Womens (S) 8-9"/20.5-23 cm
Womens (M) 9.25-10"/23.5-25.5 cm
Womens (L) 10.25-11"/26-28 cm
Mens (S) 9.25-10"/ 23.5-25.5 cm
Mens (M) 10.25-11"/ 26-28 cm
Mens (L)11.25-12"/28.5-30.5
- These socks are worked from the toe up using the Magic Loop method with an Afterthought Heel.
- While working in the Magic Loop method, the needles will be referred to as Top needle (TN) and Bottom needle (BN).
- If DPNs are your preferred method, I recommend using 2 for the Top needle (TN) and 2 for the Bottom needle (BN).
- The Adult sizes are in bold to help with the readability of the pattern.
- Turkish Cast On Tutorial:
<https://youtu.be/ePELhLO2180>
- Afterthought Heel Placement with Lifelines Tutorial:
<https://youtu.be/t00Vosm62lw>
- Kitchener Stitch Tutorial:
<https://youtu.be/HD9bvuF3ZLo>
- Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy BO tutorial:
<https://youtu.be/C-GqitE8Qt8>



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— GLOSSARY —

BN - Bottom needle
BOR - Beginning of round
CC - Contrast color
CO - Cast on
CONT - Continue
DEC/'D - Decrease/d
DPN/S - Double Pointed Needle/s
EST - Establish/ed
INC/'D - Increase/d
K - Knit
K2TOG - Knit 2 sts together as one. (1 st dec'd)
LHN - Left hand needle
M1L - Make 1 Left: pick up the bar between the stitch you knit and the one you're about to knit, bringing the needle from front to back. Knit thru the back of this stitch. [1 st inc'd]

M1R - Make 1 Right: pick up the bar between the last stitch you knit and the one you're about to knit, bringing the needle from the back to the front. Knit thru the front of this stitch. [1 st inc'd]
MC - Main color
P - Purl
P2TOG - Purl 2 sts together as one. [1 st dec'd]
REP - Repeat
RND/S - Round/s
SL - Slip stitch purlwise
SSK - Slip, slip, knit: Slip two stitches, one at a time, as if to knit, insert left needle into these stitches and knit them together tbl [1 st dec'd]
ST/S - Stitch/es
TBL - Thru the back loop(s)
TN - Top Needle
WYIB - With yarn in back



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TOE

Using MC & Main needle, CO 16 (20, 20, 24, 24)**(24, 28, 32)[28, 32, 36]** sts - 8 (10, 10, 12, 12)**(12, 14, 16)[14, 16, 18]** sts on each needle - using the Turkish Cast On method (see Notes section for tutorial). Clip removable marker to indicate BOR.

Rnd 1: Knit.

Rnd 2 (INC): *K1, M1R, knit to the last st on TN, M1L, k1; rep from * once more on BN. [4 sts inc'd]

Rep [Rnds 1 & 2] 4 (5, 5, 6, 6)**(6, 7, 8)[7, 8, 9]** more times.

20 (24, 24, 28, 28)**(28, 32, 36)[32, 36, 40]** sts inc'd;
36 (44, 44, 52, 52)**(52, 60, 68)[60, 68, 76]** total sts

Next 2 (2, 2, 3, 3)**(4, 4, 4)[4, 4, 4]** Rnds: Knit. Drop MC.

FOOT - Stripe Pattern

Rnd 1: Join/using CC, *sl 1 wyib, k3 (5, 5, 5)**(5, 7, 9)[7, 9, 9]**, sl 1 wyib, k8 (8, 8, 12, 12)**(12, 12, 12)[12, 12, 16]**, sl 1 wyib, k3 (5, 5, 5)**(5, 7, 9)[7, 9, 9]**, sl 1 wyib; rep from * on the BN. Drop CC.

Rnd 2: Using MC, knit.

Cont rep [Rnds 1 & 2] until the foot of the sock measures approx. 1.25 (1.25, 1.25, 1.5, 1.5)**(1.5, 1.75, 2)[1.75, 2, 2.25]**"/3 (3, 3, 4, 4)**(4, 4.5, 5)[4.5, 5, 6]** cm less than the desired foot length from toe to heel, or until the foot reaches the front of the ankle when tried on, ending with Rnd 1 of the stripe pattern (so the next rnd to be worked is an MC rnd).

You can find foot length ranges in the Notes (pg. 3) to help you make an educated guess if you are knitting these as a gift for someone else! Simply subtract this number from the length in the range that you think is closest for the intended wearer.

To place the Afterthought heel you will need 1 length of smooth waste yarn approx. 36"/91.5 cm long (per sock) to hold the heel stitches. You will also need 2 shorter lengths of smooth yarn, approx. 12"/30.5 cm long (per sock), to use as lifelines. You may find it helpful to use one color yarn for the waste yarn and a contrasting color for the lifelines.

AFTERTHOUGHT HEEL PLACEMENT

Using MC, k18 (22, 22, 26, 26)**(26, 30, 34)[30, 34, 38]** sts on the TN, place a lifeline thru the next 18 (22, 22, 26, 26)**(26, 30, 34)[30, 34, 38]** sts on the BN, then knit across them with waste yarn. Slip these sts back to the LHN and knit across them again with MC. Place another lifeline through the 18 (22, 22, 26, 26)**(26, 30, 34)[30, 34, 38]** sts just worked with MC.

ANKLE

Beginning with Rnd 1 of the Stripe Pattern, cont rep [Rnds 1 & 2] until the ankle of the sock measures approx. 1.5 (2.5, 3, 3.5, 4)**(4, 4, 4)[5, 5, 5]**"/4 (6.5, 7.5, 9, 10)**(10, 10, 10)[12.5, 12.5, 12.5]** cm or 1 (1, 1, 1, 1)**(2, 2, 2)[2, 2, 2]**"/2.5 (2.5, 2.5, 2.5, 2.5)**(5, 5, 5)[5, 5, 5]** cm less than the desired ankle height, ending with Rnd 2. Break CC.



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CUFF

Change to the Ribbing needle.

Ribbing Setup Rnd: *K1, {p1, k1} 5 (6, 6, 8, 8)(**8, 9, 10**)[**9, 10, 12**] times, p2tog, k1, {p1, k1} to the end of the TN; rep from * across the BN.

[2 sts dec'd; 34 (42, 42, 50, 50)(**50, 58, 66**) [**58, 66, 74**] sts remain]

Ribbing Rnd: *K1, {p1, k1} to the end of the TN; rep from * on the BN.

Cont in the est ribbing until cuff measures 1 (1, 1, 1, 1)(**2, 2, 2**)[**2, 2, 2**]/2.5 (2.5, 2.5, 2.5, 2.5)(**5, 5, 5**)[**5, 5, 5**] cm.

Bind off all stitches loosely. *If you find it difficult to bind off loosely, you can go up a needle size or 2 for the bind off or use Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind Off (linked in Notes on pg. 3).*

HEEL

Remove waste yarn from the Afterthought Heel and using the lifelines as your guide, return the live sts to your Main needle so that the first side to be worked is the cuff side.

Join MC and pick up and knit 1 st in the gap just before your LHN needle tip, knit across the 18 (22, 22, 26, 26)(**26, 30, 34**) [**30, 34, 38**] sts on the TN, pick up and knit 1 st into the gap at the end of the TN, move to the BN and pick up and knit 1 more st in this gap, knit across the 18 (22, 22, 26, 26)(**26, 30, 34**)[**30, 34, 38**] sts of the BN, pick up and knit 1 st more in the gap in which you started. Join to work in the rnd, placing a locking st marker to indicate BOR.

You now have 1 new st added to each end of both needles to help prevent holes from occurring at the sides of the heel.

[4 sts inc'd; 40 (48, 48, 56, 56)(**56, 64, 72**) [**64, 72, 80**] total sts]

Knit 1 (1, 1, 2, 2)(**3, 3, 3**)[**3, 3, 3**] rnds.

HEEL SHAPING

Rnd 1: Knit.

Rnd 2 (DEC): *K1, ssk, knit to the last 3 sts on the TN, k2tog, k1; rep from * on the BN. [4 sts dec'd]

Rep [Rnds 1 & 2] 5 (6, 6, 7, 7)(**7, 8, 9**)[**8, 9, 10**] more times.

24 (28, 28, 32, 32)(32, 36, 40)[36, 40, 44] sts dec'd; 16 (20, 20, 24, 24)(**24, 28, 32**) [**28, 32, 36**] sts remain

Break yarn, leaving a length of approx. 15"/38 cm. Thread yarn thru a tapestry needle and graft heel closed using Kitchener Stitch. (See Notes on pg. 3 for a Kitchener Stitch tutorial.)

FINISHING

Weave in ends and wet block.

Repeat for other sock.



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