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# VASASTAN – SOCKS

Darkness has fallen over Vasa City. But wait – look! There is something flying over the rooftops... The Vasastan socks are knitted cuff down in two-color stranded knitting and have a short-row heel. Don't forget to twist the yarns and leave long floats on the back!

**YARN** Astrid Lindgren & Ilon Wikland single-color (75% superwash wool, 25% polyamide 142 yd/130 m / 50 g)

## ALTERNATE YARN SUGGESTION

Mellanraggi (75% superwash wool, 25% polyamide, 284 yd/260 m / 100 g)

**GAUGE** Approx. 28 sts x 36 rows in two-color stranded knitting on larger size needles = 4 x 4 in / 10 x 10 cm.

Adjust needle size to obtain correct gauge if necessary.

**SIZES** One size, to fit shoe sizes approx. U. S. women's 7½-9½ / Euro 38-40

**GARMENT WIDTH** Approx. 4¾ in / 12 cm

**FOOT LENGTH** Approx. 9¾ in / 25 cm

**SOCK LEG LENGTH** Approx. 6¼ in / 16 cm

## YARN AMOUNTS AND COLORS

**Color 1:** Approx. 50 g (color 16101, Pappas Paraply-black)

**Color 2:** Approx. 50 g (color 16111, Mattisskogen Grön-green)

**Color 3:** Approx. 20 g (color 16107, Madicken Blå-blue)

**Color 4:** Approx. 10 g (color 16103, Vasastan Gul-yellow)

**NEEDLES** U. S. sizes 1.5 and 2.5 / 2.5 and 3 mm: sets of 5 dpn

**NOTIONS** 2 stitch markers

**LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY** Intermediate

**DESIGNER** Agnes Brandels

## STITCHES AND TECHNIQUES

See Tips and Shortcuts on the last page for common abbreviations and other useful information.

**Short Rows with Wrapped Stitches:** To make a short row, you only work some of the stitches on a row. To avoid holes, the stitch where the turn occurs is wrapped.

**W&T:** Wrap and turn.

### How to Wrap a Stitch:

**On RS:** Bring yarn to front of work. Slip next stitch to right needle. Return yarn to back of work and slip st back to left needle. Turn. The yarn is now wrapped around the stitch. Later, when you come to a wrapped st, knit the stitch with its wrap.

**On WS:** Bring yarn to back of work. Slip next stitch to right needle. Return yarn to front of work and slip st back to left needle. Turn. The yarn is now wrapped

around the stitch. Later, when you come to a wrapped st, purl the stitch with its wrap.

## LEG

With smaller size dpn and color 3, CO 64 sts. Join and work around in k2, p2 ribbing for approx. 1¼ in / 3 cm. Change to larger size dpn and knit 1 rnd, *at the same time*, increasing 2 sts evenly spaced around. Now work following pattern chart 1.

After completing charts rows, knit 1 rnd with color 2, decreasing 2 sts evenly spaced around. Change back to smaller size dpn and work around in k2, p2 ribbing for approx. 1¼ in / 3 cm. Change to larger size dpn and knit 3 rnds.

## HEEL

Begin the heel. The heel is worked over the first 32 sts and shaped with short rows/wrapped sts. The



heel is worked in two stages: the rows first become shorter and shorter and then longer and longer.

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit until 1 st rem; w&t.

**Row 2 (WS):** Purl until 1 st rem; w&t.

**Row 3 (RS):** Knit until 1 st before previous wrapped st; w&t.

**Row 4 (WS):** Purl until 1 st before previous wrapped st; w&t.

Repeat Rows 3-4 until you have 10 wrapped sts on each side and 12 unwrapped sts at the center.

Now you'll work the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage of the heel as follows:

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit to 1<sup>st</sup> wrapped st, knit st and its wrap together; w&t.

**Row 2 (WS):** Purl to 1<sup>st</sup> wrapped st, purl st and its wrap together; w&t.

**Row 3 (RS):** Knit to next wrapped st, knit st and its wrap together; w&t.

**Row 4 (WS):** Purl to next wrapped st, purl st and its wrap together; w&t.

Repeat Rows 3-4 until all the wrapped sts on each side have been worked = 32 sts rem on sole.

## FOOT

Knit around on foot following pattern chart 2 until it measures approx. 8¼ in / 21 cm as measured from heel. Cut color 2. The toe is worked with color 1 only.

## TOE

Knit 1 rnd with color 1, placing a marker at beginning of rnd and after 32 sts to mark the sides. The toe is shaped with decreases on both sides of both markers.

**Decrease Rnd:** \*Slm, k1, ssk, knit until 3 sts before next marker, k2tog, k1; rep \*-\* once more.

**Next Rnd:** Knit around.

Repeat these 2 rnds until only 8 sts rem. Cut yarn and draw end through remaining sts; tighten.

Make the second sock the same way.

## FINISHING

Weave in all ends neatly on WS. Dampen socks, preferably from a spray bottle. Roll socks in a towel to absorb excess water. Lay flat to dry, patted out to finished measurements.



## TIPS & SHORTCUTS

**To avoid questions:** Before you begin knitting, read through the pattern.

**Stitch count:** Always knit or crochet a gauge swatch as recommended in the pattern. If your stitch count doesn't match the gauge given in the pattern, try again with larger or smaller needles or hook. If your gauge doesn't match that in the pattern, your item will not be the correct size or shape.

**Highlight** the size you will knit or crochet throughout the pattern to make it easier to follow the instructions.

**Charts:** It will be easier to follow a chart if you mark your row with a ruler and magnetic board or sticky note.

**Ease:** The amount of ease included in our garments varies depending on the type and shape of the garment. To determine the right size, we recommend that you first measure your body. Then you can calculate the garment size depending on how much ease you want the garment to have. The schematics for each piece show all the garment measurements.

**Two-color stranded knitting:** When knitting more than 3-4 stitches of the same color, twist the color strands around each other on the wrong side to avoid long strands or "floats" on the back. If the yarns need to be twisted on several rows/rounds, make sure you do not stack the twists in the same place to prevent the yarns from showing through on the right side.

**Tips för hand dyed yarn:** Make sure you have enough yarn to complete your project. The colors may vary from time to time. To get a smooth color mix, you can alternate between two skeins: knit two rows from one and two rows from another skein.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**alt** = alternately, **approx.** = approximately, **beg** = begin, **bl** = back loop, **BOR** = beginning of row/round, **cc** = contrasting color, **col** = color, **cont** = continue, **dec** = decrease, **EOR** = end of row/round, **fl** = front loop, **inc** = increase, **m** = marker, **mm** = millimeters, **mc** = main color, **patt** = pattern, **pm** = place marker, **rep** = repeat, **rnd(s)** = round/rounds, **RM** = remove marker, **RS** = right side, **sl** = slip, **sl m** = slip marker, **st(s)** = stitches, **tog** = together, **WS** = wrong side, **yo** = yarn over

### KNITTING

**BO** = bind off, **cn** = cable needle, **CO** = cast on, **dpn(s)** = double-pointed needles, **g st** = garter stitch, **k1f&b** = knit in front and back loop of same stitch, **k** = knit (stitch), **k2tog** = knit two stitches together, **kw** = knitwise, **LH** = left hand needle, **p** = purl (stitch), **pw** = purlwise, **RH** = right hand needle, **ssk** = slip, slip, knit, **St st** = stockinette/stocking stitch, **wyib** = with yarn in back, **wyif** = with yarn in front

### CROCHETING

**ch** = chain stitch, **dc** = double crochet, **dtr** = double treble crochet, **hdc** = half double crochet, **htr** = half treble crochet, **sc** = single crochet, **sl st** = slip stitch, **tr** = treble crochet, **tr tr** = triple treble crochet

## DIFFICULTY

**Beginner:** Anyone with no experience knitting/crocheting. Easy techniques and clear explanations.

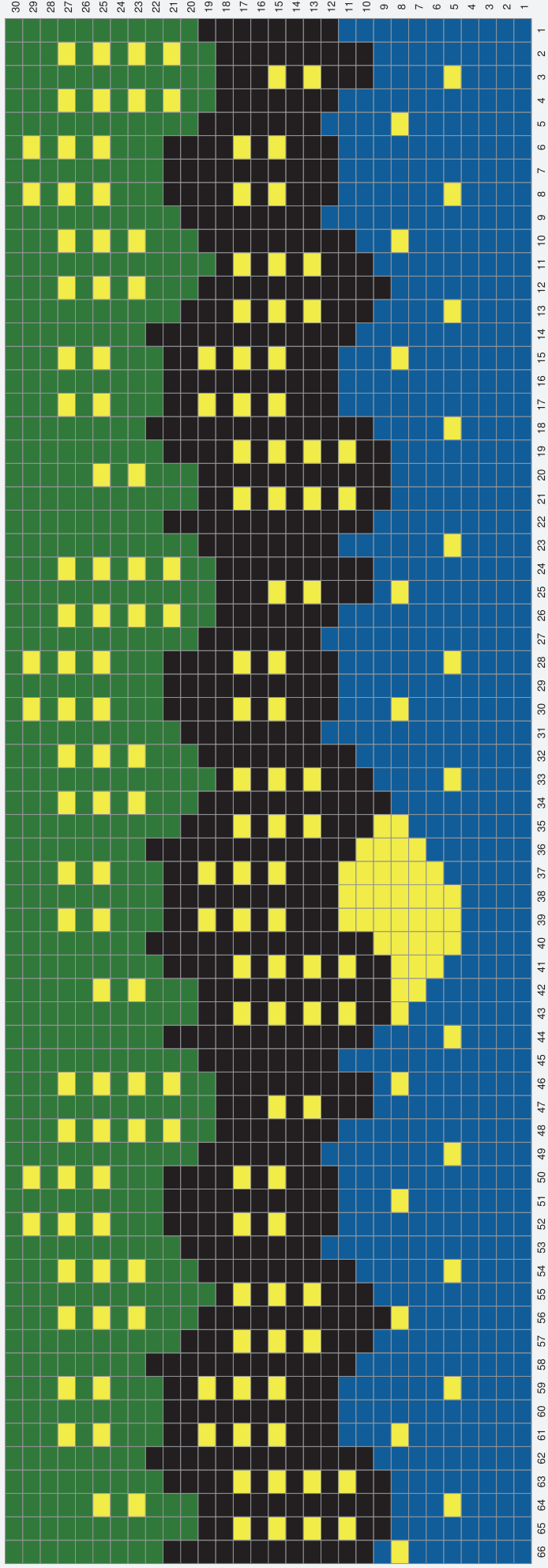
**Adventurous Beginner:** For a beginner ready to take the next step. Clear explanations so you can try some new techniques.

**Intermediate:** Anyone who has knitted/crocheted for a while but who wants a challenge. More advanced techniques and two steps occur at the same time.

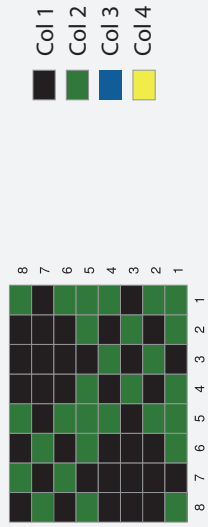
**Experienced:** For experienced knitters/crocheters who have already tried many techniques and methods. Advanced/uncommon techniques and several steps occur simultaneously.



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