

Garn Shown
Shown in Sunshine Yarns Classic Superwash Sock (100% merino wool; 370 yards/338 meters per 100 grams). Approximately 350 yards/320 meters fingering weight required.

Needles L. Jauge One US 1.5 (2.5mm) 32" circular needle (for magic loop), or two US 1.5 (2.5mm) 16" circular needles.

32 sts per 4 in/10 cm, 46 rows per 4 in/10 cm, stockinette stitch.

Finished size
Fits US women's shoe size (7-9), expect 8in foot circumference.

Notions 1 stitch marker, darning needle.

Lig Spinante presents Lollipop Socks

hen my dad was younger, he and his two brothers dressed **V** up as the boys from the Lollipop Guild for one Halloween. When I told him I was knitting a pattern based on the Lollipop boys, he was ecstatic: he insisted I knit a pair for him (I never did, but his excitement has never wavered even so). This wildly fun yarn stands out in this simple zig zag rib pattern.

Lollipop Socks

The pattern is written for one women's size. To up or down size the pattern, add or subtract in multiples of 4 stitches. The leg of the socks have a little bit less stretch to them than the 2x2 ribbing used in the cuff and on the foot. If you don't like the 2x2 ribbing on the foot, you can continue the zig zag ribbing instead.

Abbreviations

CO/BO - cast on/bind off

k - knit

k2tog - knit two together

LT (left twist) – k the second stitch tbl (through the back loop) and leave the stitch on the left needle (making sure to go behind the first stitch, not in front of it), k the first 2 stitches on the left needle together tbl

ndl - needle

p - purl

p2tog – purl two together pm – place marker

RS/WS - right side/wrong side

RT (right twist) – k2tog leaving both stitches on the left needle,

k the first stitch again, remove both stitches

sl - slip

st/sts - stitch/stitches

yo - yarn over

Instructions

Leg Using your preferred method, CO 60 sts. Pm and join in the round, taking care not to twist. Work in 2x2 Ribbing for approximately 2 in/5 cm: *k2, p2, repeat from * to end.

Work Zig Zag Ribbing for leg as follows:

Round 1: *LT, p2, repeat from * to end.

Round 2: *p1, k1, k2, repeat from * to end.

Round 3: *p1, LT, p1, repeat from * to end.

Round 4: *p2, k1, p1, repeat from * to end.

Round 5: *p2, LT, repeat from * to end.

Round 6: *p3, k1, repeat from * to end.

Round 7: *p2, RT, repeat from * to end.

Round 8: *p2, k1, p1, repeat from * to end.

Round 9: *p1, RT, p1, repeat from * to end.

Round 10: *p1, k1, p2, repeat from * to end.

Round 11: *RT, p2, repeat from * to end.

Rounds 12-22: *k1, p3, repeat from * to end.

Work Rounds 1-22 once more (44 Rounds in Zig Zag Ribbing).

Work Rounds 1–11 once more (55 rows in Zig Zag Ribbing).

Ready to begin Heel Flap.

Heel Flap

The heel is knit back and forth across half (30) sts.

(RS) Row 1: sl1, ssk, *sl1, k1, repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2tog, turn work. (28 sts remain)

(WS) Row 2: sl1, p to end, turn work.

Row 3: *sl1, k1, repeat from * to end, turn work.

Row 4: sl1, p to end, turn work.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until you have 15 slipped stitches on each edge.

For a higher instep, work additional rows, making sure to decrease to compensate.

End with a WS row.

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Lollipop Socks Instructions

Heel turn (RS)

Row 1: k17, ssk, k1, turn work.

(WS)

Row 2: sl1, p7, p2tog, p1, turn work.

Row 3: sl1, k to one stitch before the gap, ssk, k1, turn work. Row 4: sl1, p to one stitch before the gap, p2tog, p1, turn work.

Continue in this manner until all stitches have been worked, you should end with a RS row.

Gusset

Pick up and knit every slipped stitch along the edge of the heel flap. Work the foot sts in 2x2 Ribbing: *k2, p2, repeat from * to end of foot. Pick up and knit every slipped stitch along the other side of the heel.

Gusset decreases

Continue knitting the instep sts, while keeping the foot sts in 2x2 Ribbing.

Decrease as follows:

Round 1: Beginning with heel sts, pm, k to last 3 sts of instep, k2tog, k1.

Work foot in 2x2 Ribbing. k1, ssk, k to m.

Round 2: K all heel sts, continue knitting foot in pattern.

Stop decreasing after you have 30 sts for the instep (60 sts total).

Continue knitting in pattern until foot is 2 in/5 cm from desired length. Remove m.

Toe decrease

Beginning with the instep, decrease as follows:

Round 1: [instep] k1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1. [foot] k1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, ssk, k1.

Round 2: k all sts.

Repeat until 28 sts remain (14 instep, 14 foot). Graft toe and weave in ends.