

The Fair Isle Sock



SIZES

To Fit Lady's shoe size

5/6 (7/8 - 9/10)

Finished Foot length

Small 5/6 9 inches [23 cm] Medium 7/8 91/2 inches [24 cm] Large 9/10 101/2 inches[26.5 cm]

TENSION

22 sts and 28 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in stocking stitch.



MATERIALS

Patons® Classic Wool (100 g / 3.5 oz)				
	Small	Medium	Large	
Main Color (MC) (00224 Grey Mix)	2	2	2	balls
Contrast A (00225 Dark Grey Mix)	1	1	1	ball
Contrast A (00202 Aran)	1	1	1	ball

Set of four size 4 mm (U.S. 6) double-pointed knitting needles or size needed to obtain tension.

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for smallest size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus (). Numbers for each size are shown in the same color throughout the pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.

With MC, cast on 56 sts. Divide sts into 18 sts on 1st and 2nd needles and 20 sts on 3rd needle. Join in rnd. Place marker on 1st stitch for beg of rnd.

1st rnd: *K2. P2. Rep from * around. Rep last rnd of (K2. P2) ribbing for 1 inch [2.5 cm].

2nd rnd: Knit.

Knit Chart I in rnds to end of Chart, reading rows from **right** to left and noting 28-st rep will be worked twice. Break A and B.

Chart I is shown on page 32.

Next rnd: With MC, knit.

Next rnd: (K5. K2tog) 8 times. 48 sts. Knit 3 rnds.

Make Heel

Slip last 12 sts of last rnd and knit first 12 sts of next rnd onto needle for heel, having contrast marker in centre. Slip rem 24 sts onto 2 needles for INSTEP.

With **WS** of work facing, work back and forth across heel sts on 2 needles as follows: 1st row: SI1P. Purl to end of row.

2nd row: *SI1P. K1. Rep from * to end of row.

Rep last 2 rows until heel measures 21/2 ins [6 cm], ending with a RS row.

Shape Heel

1st row: SI1P. P12. P2tog. P1. **Turn. 2nd row:** SI1P. K3. SI1. K1. psso. K1.

Turn.

3rd row: SI1P. P4. P2tog. P1. **Turn. 4th row:** SI1P. K5. SI1. K1. psso. K1.

Turn.

5th row: SI1P. P6. P2tog. P1. **Turn. 6th row:** SI1P. K7. SI1. K1. psso. K1.

Turn.

7th row: SI1P. P8. P2tog. P1. **Turn. 8th row:** SI1P. K9. SI1. K1. psso. K1. **Turn.**

9th row: SI1P. P10. P2tog. P1. **Turn. 10th row:** SI1P. K11. SI1. K1. psso. K1. 14 sts.

Shape Instep

With RS of work facing and 1st needle, pick up and knit **9** (9-11) sts along left side of heel. With 2nd needle K24 across instep sts. With 3rd needle, pick up and knit **9** (9-11) sts along other side of heel. Knit first 7 sts from heel onto end of 3rd needle. Slip rem 7 sts from heel onto beg of 1st needle. **56** (56-60) sts are now divided as: **16** (16-18) sts on 1st and 3rd needles, 24 sts on 2nd needle.



Instep Decreases

Next rnd: *1st needle:* Knit to last 3 sts. K2tog. K1. *2nd needle:* Knit. *3rd needle:* K1. SI1. K1. psso. Knit to end of needle.

Next rnd: Knit.

Rep last 2 rnds to 48 sts divided as: 12 sts on 1st and 3rd needles, 24 sts on 2nd needle.

Knit in rnds until foot from picked up sts measures $6 (6^{1/2}-7)$ ins [15 (16.5-18) cm].

Shape Toe

1st rnd: *1st needle:* Knit to last 3 sts. K2tog. K1. *2nd needle:* K1. Sl1. K1. psso. Knit to last 3 sts. K2tog. K1. *3rd needle:* K1. Sl1. K1. psso. Knit to end of needle.

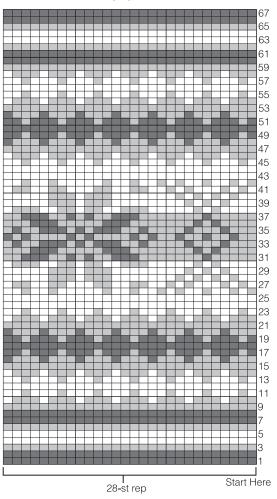
Next rnd: Knit.

Rep last 2 rnds to **20** (20-24) sts.

Knit sts from 1st needle onto 3rd needle.

Graft 2 sets of **10** (10-12) sts tog for toe (see Diagram on page 32). ≜

Chart I



Note: When working from charts, carry yarn not in use loosely across WS of work but never over more than 5 sts.

When it must pass over more than 5 sts, weave it over and under color in use on next st or at center point of sts it passes over. The colors are never twisted around one another.

Key

- = MC
- = Contrast A
- = Contrast B

Grafting





ABBREVIATIONS

Beg = Beginning.

K = Knit.

K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches together.

 $\mathbf{P} = \text{Purl.}$

P2tog = Purl next 2 stitches together.

Psso = Pass slipped stitch over.

Rem = Remaining.

Rep = Repeat.

Rnd(s) = Round(s).

RS = Right side.

SI1 = Slip next stitch knitwise.

SI1P = Slip next stich purlwise.

St(s) = Stitch(es).

Tog = Together.

WS = Wrong side.