## **Loom Knit Newborn Cuffed Socks**

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Most of my knitting loom patterns use the e-wrap method, but this one uses the **straight knitting stitch** for all but the cast-on row. To do a straight knit, *do not wrap each peg*, but instead hold the yarn over the front of the pegs while you pull the lower loops over the working yarn on each peg. Think of it as though you are going to wrap the yarn around the entire loom on the outside, Hold that working yarn tight as you slip each stitch up and over it. The two stitches cannot be substituted for each other. The knit stitch makes a much tighter weave than the e-wrap and looks exactly like it was knitted on knitting needles.

Use the small flower loom (12 pegs) and 2 strands of yarn. I use two strands of worsted weight or one sport and one worsted weight.

Cast on by making a slip knot and placing the loop on the 1<sup>st</sup> peg to the right of the anchor peg, then e-wrap around the loom. Push loops down on each peg, then e-wrap around once more (there should be two loops on each peg now). Using the loom hook, lift the lower loop over the upper loop on the last peg (where your working yarn is located), then repeat for the peg to the left, back around to peg 1.

**Ankle**: Work 8 rounds of *straight knit stitch* (described above), then reach inside the loom and slip the cast-on initial row of stitch loops up and over each peg. Push down. Work next round by slipping both loops up and over the working yarn. Work 4 more rounds.

## Heel shaping (worked over 6 pegs only):

Knit pegs 1-5, lift stitch on peg 6, move the working yarn behind peg 6, so that the yarn is coming out from between pegs 6 and 7, then replace the stitch on peg 6. (This is referred to as "**wrap peg**" throughout).

Knit pegs 5-2, lift stitch on peg 1, wrap peg on the left side, and replace stitch.

Knit pegs 2, 3 and 4, lift stitch on peg 5, wrap peg on the right side, and replace stitch.

Knit pegs 4 and 3, lift stitch on peg 2, wrap peg on the left side, and replace stitch

Knit pegs 3, 4 and 5 (knit both sets of loops on peg 5 over as one). Lift stitches on peg 6, wrap peg on the right side, and replace both sets of loops.

Knit pegs 5, 4, 3 and 2 (knit both sets of loops on peg 2 over as one). Lift stitches on peg 1, wrap peg on the left side, and replace both sets of loops.

Knit pegs 2-12 (knit all sets of loops on peg 6 over as one). Three sets of loops will remain on peg 1. These will be worked in the next round.

**Foot:** Next 8 rounds: Knit all pegs. Cut yarn leaving a short tail (3 in.). Cut a foot long piece of yarn, thread darning needle, and remove each stitch using darning needle. Cinch tight. Trim and hide the threads.

Make a 2nd sock just like the first.