



YARN TWISTERS

Swirl Socks

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March comes in like a lion and out like a lamb, and brings with it windy days! These socks were created for the Yarn Twisters March Subscription. Yarn is hand dyed by Calgary's own Lily and Pine Fibre Arts.



MATERIALS & INFO

Yarn: 1 skein Day Lily Sock by Lily and Pine Fibre Arts, 115gr (420 yards), sample knit in colourway Sunset on the Bay

Gauge: 32 sts x 48 rows in stockinette

Needles: 32" circular 2 mm (US 0) for magic loop

Notions: stitch marker, darning needle

Finished size: Ladies S, M and L (sample knit size M)

ABBREVIATIONS

BO - bind off

BN - bottom needle

CO - cast on

k – knit

kfb - knit into the front of the st, leaving on the needle, knit into the back of st, dropping st off needle (1 sts increased)

k2tog - Knit the 2 sts together as one (1 st decreased)

LT2 (left twist 2): Skip next st, K following st through the back loop leaving st on the LH needle, then K the skipped st through the front loop, slipping sts off needle

p - purl

ssk - slip 1 stitch knit wise, slip the next stitch knit wise, insert left needle through the fronts of both slipped stitches, knit the 2 stitches together as on through the back loop (1 stitch decreased)

ssp - slip the next 2 sts one at a time knitwise to the right hand needle, place sts back on the left hand needle and purl them together through the back loop (1 st decreased)

st/sts - stitch/stitches **Turn** - turn work to the other side

TN - top needle

PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

Using Judy's magic cast on, cast on 16 (20, 24) sts, 8 (10, 12) sts per needle

Rnd 1: TN: K, BN: K

Rnd 2: TN: KFB, K to 2 sts remaining, KFB, K1, BN: KFB, K to 2 sts remaining, KFB, K1 (4 sts incd)

Repeat Rnds 1 & 2 until you have increased to 56 (60, 64) sts, 28 (30, 32) sts per needle.

Begin pattern on TN

Size small and large:

Rnd 1: TN: *L2T, K2*, repeat * to * until end of row;

BN: K

Rnd 2: TN: K1, *L2T, K2*, repeat * to * until 3 st remain, L2T, K1; BN: K

Rnd 3: TN: *K2, L2T*, repeat * to * until end of row; BN: K

Rnd 4: TN: K3, *L2T, K2*, repeat * to * until 1 st remain, K1, BN: K

Size medium:

Rnd 1: TN: *L2T, K2*, repeat * to * until 2 sts remain, L2T; BN: K



PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS cont'd

Rnd 2: TN: K1, *L2T, K2*, repeat * to * until 1 st remain, K1; BN: K

Rnd 3: TN: *K2, L2T*, repeat * to * until 2 sts remain, K2; BN: K

Rnd 4: TN: K3, *L2T, K2*, repeat * to * until 3 sts remain, L2T, K1, BN: K

Repeat these 4 rnds until sock reaches the point where the leg connects for the foot, approx 15 (16, 17) cm. Begin increasing for the gusset.

Gusset Increases

While maintaining the 4 rnd repeat for the TN, follow the instructions for the BN

Rnd1: TN: maintain 4 rnd repeat; BN: KFB, K to 2 sts remaining, KFB, K1

Rnd 2: TN: maintain 4 rnd repeat; BN: K

Repeat these 2 rnds until you have increased to 54 (58, 62) sts on the BN

Knit 1 row on TN, be sure to note which rnd of the pattern you completed

Turn the heel

You will be working back and forth on the BN only, The stitches on the TN will not be worked until you have completed the heel decreases.

Place a marker at the centre of the BN, 27 (29, 31) on either side.

K to 2 sts beyond the marker, K2tog, K1, turn. Pull the yarn tight.

Slip 1, P to 2 sts beyond the marker, P2tog tbl, P1, turn. Pull the yarn tight.

*slip 1 purlwise, K to 1 st before the gap, K2tog (the st before the gap and the st after the gap), K1, turn.

Slip 1 purlwise, P to 1 st before the gap, P2tog tbl (the st before the gap and the st after the gap), P1, turn *

Repeat * to * until 2 sts remaining after the gaps.

Slip 1 purlwise, K to 1 st before the gap, K2tog, K1

Note: You will now start to K in the round

TN: maintain 4 rnd repeat, starting with the rnd fol-

lowing where you left off prior to beginning the heel decreases

BN: K1, SSK, K to 2 sts remaining, K2tog

TN: maintain 2 rnd repeat

BN: SSK, K to end

Heel is now complete, st count is back to 56 (60, 64) sts, 28 (30, 32) sts per needle.

Leg

TN: maintain 4 rnd repeat; BN: K

Continue until leg measures 10 (11, 12) cm, or desired length.

Cuff

k2, p2 for 8 rounds. Bind off, using preferred stretchy bind off. Sample bound off using Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind Off: <http://knitty.com/ISSUEfall09/FEATjssbo.php>

Weave in ends, block and enjoy.

