

Picot Cartridge Socks

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Yarn: Rodeo by Opal (75% superwash wool, 25% polyamide; 460 yds [425 m]/100 g): color #1155, 1 ball.

Needle Size: US 1 ½ (2.5mm): set of 5 dpns.
Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain proper gauge.

Gauge: 7 sts per inch in stockinette stitch



Pattern

Loosely CO 65 sts onto one dpn. Divide sts evenly onto 4 dpns (16 sts on 3 needles, 17 sts on 4th needle), place marker (pm), and join for working in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts.

Picot cuff edge:

Knit 3 rnds. *Picot rnd:* *YO, K2tog; rep from * to last stitch, K1. Knit 3 rnds. Fold the cast on edge toward the purl side and secure the facing by knitting one rnd tog with one loop each of the cast-on sts. Knit one rnd and then begin leg.

(*Note:* Most picot edges utilize a provisional cast-on and an even number of stitches. However, this pattern uses an odd number of stitches so that: *a*) you can use your favorite cast-on method and *b*) when securing the facing, the odd stitch gives a bit of ease for picking up the cast on loop.)

Leg

Cartridge rib

Rnd 1: K2, *p1, k4; rep from * to last 3 sts, p1 k2

Rnd 2: K1, *p3,k2; rep from * to last 4 sts, p3, k1

Repeat rnds 1 and 2 until cuff measures 5", or desired length, from cuff edge.

Heel

Heel flap: (RS) Work 12 sts in pattern, turn work, (WS) k3, p23, k3-- 29 sts on 1 dpn. Hold remaining 36 sts on 2 dpn to be worked later for instep; the sts at each side of the 36 instep sts should be the purl st from the center of each cartridge rib. Work 29 heel sts back and forth in rows as follows:

Row 1: K4, *s11 pwise, k1; repeat from * 11 times, k3

Row 2: K3, p23, k3

Row 3: K3, *s11 pwise, k1; repeat from * 11 times, s1 pwise, k3

Row 4: K3, p23, k3

Repeat rows 1-4 until a total of 32 rows have been worked, ending with a WS row.

Turn heel:

Row 1: (RS) K16, ssk, k1. Turn work.

Row 2: (WS) S11 pwise, p4, p2tog, p1. Turn work.

Row 3: S11 pwise, knit to 1 st before gap produced by previous row, ssk, k1, turn work.

Row 4: S11 pwise, purl to 1 st before gap produced by previous row, p2tog, p1, turn work.

Rep Rows 3 and 4 until all heel sts have been worked—18 sts remain.

Gussets

Rejoin for working in the rnd as follows:

Rnd 1: With Needle 1 k18 heel sts, then pick up and knit 17 sts along left side of heel flap; with Needle 2 continue in established Cartridge Rib pattern beginning with p st over 36 instep sts; with Needle 3, pick up and knit 18 sts along right side of heel flap, then knit the first 8 sts from Needle 1 again—88 sts total; 26 sts each on Needles 1 and 3, 36 instep sts on Needle 2. Rnd begins at center of heel.

Rnd 2: Work even in pattern.

Rnd 3: On Needle 1, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on Needle 2 cont in cartridge rib pattern; on Needle 3, k1, ssk, knit to end—2 sts dec'd.

Rnd 4: Work even in pattern.

Rep Rnds 3 and 4 twelve more times—64 sts rem; 14 sts each on Needles 1 and 3, 36 instep sts on Needle 2.

Foot

Cont even in established pattern until foot measures 2" less than desired total length, ending with Rnd 2 of instep cartridge rib pattern.

Toe

Knit 1 rnd, shifting the first 2 sts from Needle 2 onto Needle 1 and the last 2 sts from Needle 2 onto Needle 3—16 sts each on Needles 1 and 3, 32 instep sts on Needle 2.

Rnd 1: (dec rnd) On Needle 1 knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on Needle 2 k1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on Needle 3, k1, ssk, knit to end—4 sts dec'd.

Rnd 2: Knit.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 seven more times—32 sts rem; 8 each on Needles 1 and 3, 16 sts on Needle 2. Rep Rnd 1 (dec every rnd) 4 times—16 sts remain; 4 sts each on Needles 1 and 3, 8 sts on Needle 2. With Needle 3, knit across sts on Needle 1—8 sts each on 2 needles. Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30.5 cm) tail. Thread tail on a tapestry needle and use the Kitchener st to graft sts tog. Weave in loose ends.

Abbreviations

co= cast on

dpn(s)= double pointed needle(s)

k= knit

p= purl

rnd(s)= round(s)

st(s)= stitches

tog= together

RS= right side

WS= wrong side

k2tog= knit 2 stitches together

p2tog= purl 2 stitches together

sl1 pwise= slip 1 stitch purlwise (as if to purl)

ssk= slip one stitch as if to knit, slip one stitch as if to purl, insert the needle into the front of these two slipped stitches with the left needle from left to right and knit them together.

yo= yarn over