

AFTERTHOUGHT SOCKS

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INSTRUCTIONS

I used a size 2 ½ needle works with a sport weight sock yarn to yield a small to medium size women's sock.

Cast On: 40 (44) sts over two needles held together. Remove spare needle and divide sts between dpns as follows.

N1: 22 (heel) sts

N2: 11 sts

N3: 11 sts

Join, being careful not to twist and begin working in the round. Place marker, or safety pin to denote the beginning of the round.

CUFF

Work in 2 x 2 rib pattern (k2, p2) rib for 8 rnds. [1.0"]

LEG

Here you can decide if you would like to continue knitting in a ribbed pattern or change over to stockinette stitch. Continue knitting in the stitch pattern of your choice for at the very least, another two inches.

HEEL

Divide your stitches as follows:

N1: 20(22) sts,

N2: 10(11) sts.

N3: 10 (11) sts.

Drop your working yarn, you will pick it back up in a minute.

Now use a strand of waste yarn as your working yarn and knit the stitches on your first needle (20 (22) sts) or (½ of your live stitches onto the waste yarn.

Now go back and pick up your working yarn where you left it and knit those same stitches with your original sock yarn.

You have now created a temporary graft which will be removed later to reveal the live stitches you will use to knit your afterthought heel.

FOOT

Continue working in rounds until foot measures 1 to a ½ shorter than the length of your foot.

SHAPE TOE

1) *N1: K1, Slip 1, pssso. A decrease made. Knit across to last 3 sts. k2 tog, k 1.

N2: K 1, S 1, pssso, Knit to end.

N3: Knit across to the last 3 stitches, K 2 tog, K1.

2) Knit Next round.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until 8 stitches remain on needle 1 and four on needles 2 and 3



SUPPLY LIST

One set of 5 double point needles US size #2 or #3 or size needed to obtain gauge

One skein of Madtosh Sock Yarn

100% Superwash Merino Wool (shown in women's medium, Home colorway)

Tapestry Needle

Stitch Marker or Safety Pin

Madelinetosh Tosh DK (100% superwash merino wool, 225 yds / 206 meters):

1 (2) skein(s) of Antler (color A) and 1 skein of Tangelo (color B).

GAUGE

8 stitches in stockinette stitch = 1 inch

SIZE

To fit a woman's small to medium size foot

ABBREVIATIONS

k - knit, p - purl, st - stitch, ins. - inches, N - needle, dpns - double pointed needles
rnds - rounds, RS - right side, WS - wrong side, Pssso - pull knit stitch over slipped stitch



TOE FINISHING

Break yarn leaving a long tail.

Holding N1 and N2 together, graft sts together using Kitchener st.

Weave in ends on inside of sock.

RETURN TO YOUR HEEL

With the tip of a darning needle carefully pull the scrap yarn holding the heel stitches out of each loop, slipping the live stitches on two needles (every other stitch will go on the opposite needle.)

Now arrange your live stitches on your dpns as follows:

N1: 20(22) sts.

N2: 10(11) sts.

N3: 10 (11) sts.

**RETURN TO THE DIRECTIONS FOR THE TOE DECREASES AND REPEAT

HEEL FINISHING

Break yarn leaving a long tail.

Holding N1 and N2 together, graft sts together using Kitchener st.

Weave in ends on inside of sock.

WORK SECOND SOCK!