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Regia 4-ply	\$20	420	multi and plain, lots of variety	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	superb. Long-lasting, no felting, bagging, pilling.	The best sock yarn on the market, IMO. Care-free machine laundering and years of enjoyment.
H&W Comfort-Wolle	\$20	420	solids	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	superb. Long-lasting, no felting, bagging, pilling.	Hard to find; this is right up there with Regia.
lang jawoll	\$10	400	plain, heathered, and tweedy	75% wool 18% nylon 7% acrylic	tight	excellent. Comes with dyed-to-match reinforcement thread.	I can only buy it online; one of my favourites.
schleepjes invicta	\$10	420	plain and heathered suitable for men	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	excellent; no felting	I can only buy it online; one of my favourites.
Woolen Rabbit Pearl	\$35	350	multi, no pooling or striping deep, complex colours	80% merino 20% nylon	tight	excellent; no felting, pilling, or bagging	my go-to "special" yarn - the only merino sock yarn I like. Online shopping only with the artisan herself! As with most artisan-dyed yarns, these will fade over time, so best to hand-wash.
Ancient Arts Fiber Craft sock yarn	\$25-30	400	artisanally dyed, multiple colourways both plain and self-striping	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	good; some abrasion-fading over time	artisan-dyed so will fade over time. Laundering by hand recommended.
Schoppel Zauberball	\$25-30	420	slow-striping in various colourways	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	excellent. Thinner yarn than usual for North American standards so may need to adjust needle gauge!	Expensive but I love it! It is impossible to make identical socks because of non-repeating striping. Beautiful for wild stripes and faux-isle colourwork. Wash with care; the colourways will fade over time in the laundry (especially black-and-white).
Kroy sock (4-ply)	\$15	310	plain and heathered some self-striping	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	superb. Long-lasting, no felting.	a little bulky for everyday wear but the best American sock yarn; cheap and easily available
Dynasty Sock	\$15	350	black, white, pink, blue, purple ONLY in solids; self-striping	70% wool 30% nylon	loose	good. Similar to Stroll but not merino...	very, very limited colour selection, but excellent value for money. Try overdyed the white. Seems to last better than Stroll.
Online Supersocke	\$20	420	multi in all kinds of striping patterns	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	good.	Not quite as bouncy as Regia but good. No plain colourways. Yarn knits thinner than Regia 4ply.
Garnstudio DROPS Fabel	\$15	410	multi and striping	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	excellent.	popular and easy to get locally as well as online. I find it knits up thicker than the numbers suggest. It's a bit harsher, splittier, and hairier than Regia but not bad at all.
Zwerger Garn Opal	\$15	425	multi and striping	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	excellent.	a bit splitty to knit and harsher than Regia, but excellent yarn.

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Regia 3-ply	\$15	520	plain only	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	superb. Long-lasting, no felting, bagging, pilling.	Very, very thin yarn, so adjust needles accordingly. Rather twisty so not so nice to knit with.
KnitPicks Stroll / Cascade Heritage Sock	\$10	420	large colour selection including kettle-dyed, handpaints, and plains	75% wool 25% nylon	loose	meh. Pills, felts and shrinks in the long run. These two yarns are very, very similar.	I am not too fond of the colours; the "heathered" colourways are limited. The looser ply makes for "soft" and floppy socks. The superwash treatment washes off after repeated laundering. I will not purchase this again.
Knitpicks Hawthorne tonal	\$15	325	kettle-dyed	80% wool / 20% nylon	tight	good.	Tight ply = stretchy socks. Nice colourways but some striping occurs. Some batches may be overdyed (ie. dye remains on product and bleeds off on your hands).
West Yorkshire Spinners Signature 4 ply	\$15	400	nice plain colours	40% wool 35% BFL 25% nylon	loose	baggy socks.	Yarn does not have the lustre expected of BFL. Socks bag as you wear them but get restored in laundry.
madelinetosh merino light	\$25-30	400	multi; no pooling or striping deep, complex colours	100% merino	tight	requires reinforcement nylon; softens with washing	expensive; very large colour selection; will disintegrate within a few years no dye lots so some inconsistency in colourways
Manos del Uruguay Alegria	\$25-30	425	eye-popping colours, some striping	75% merino / 25% nylon	tight	some pilling over time	merino = soft, floppy socks. Dye fades in time.
Lang Jawoll magic degrade / Lang Mille Colori	\$20	400	slow-striping in various colourways	75% wool / 25% nylon	loose	good. Some pilling and fading over time. The two yarns are very similar.	two yarns are virtually identical. Long colourway = hard to make identical socks. Splitty and fuzzy yarns - very hard to tink or frog. Beware of crappy colour splices!
TurtlePurl Sock	\$35	420	militaristically precise self-striping	75% wool / 25% nylon	tight	good; holes develop in time.	meant for identical striped socks. Very expensive.
Woolen Rabbit Harmony Sock	\$35	350	multi, no pooling or striping deep, complex colours	80% merino 20% nylon	loose	good; dye fades rather quickly	abrasion and laundry fading rather quickly; merino = floppy socks.
knitpicks risata	discontinued	360	plain, "natural" colourways (no "hot" colours)	cotton/ wool/ elastic	tight	excellent. Long-lasting, no felting. Some "hardening" of fabric upon washing.	discontinued, unfortunately, so can't recommend. harder to knit because of elastic content. A little bulkier than others.
Kroy Sock (3-ply)	discontinued	420	plain, "natural" colourways (no "hot" colours)	70% wool 30% nylon	tight	excellent. Long-lasting, no felting. Soft and fuzzy right off the skein.	discontinued, unfortunately, so can't recommend. But this is a WONDERFUL yarn for men's socks.
Lion Brand Sock-Ease	\$12	400	multi and plain - limited neutral colours (no browns)	75% wool 25% nylon	tight	good. A bit thinner than I expected.	Scratch and splitty yarn. I am not fond of the colours - no "natural" colourways available.
Lana Grossa Meilenweit Cotton Stretch	\$16??	450	multi (striping)	39% wool 41% cotton 13% nylon 7% elastic	tight	excellent. Good stitch definition due to elastic content. Cooler due to high-cotton content	unavailable in NA so can't recommend; hard to knit because of elastic (fights back). No plain colourways.

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malabrigo sock	\$25-30	400	multi and plain no pooling; little striping multis complex and deep	100% merino	tight	not for socks. Wears incredibly fast; felts and shrinks quickly.	expensive; colours very hard to judge online beautiful colours; satiny sheen hard to find (frequently out of stock) limited batches; suspect inconsistency in colourways
Stroll Gradient	\$20	420	long-repeat stripes	75% merino 25% nylon	loose	meh. Pills, felts and shrinks in the long run.	this isn't a gradient yarn; it's a cheap imitation. Colour changes are abrupt and the yarn also stripes.
knitpicks gloss fingering	\$10	380	plain, "natural" colourways (no "hot" colours)	70% superwash wool 30% silk	loose	needs reinforcement. Felts; silk frizzes from abrasion	a little bulkier than other plain sock wool; thicker socks result. Felts and shrinks in the long run.
Araucania Itata	\$10	400	plain and multi	70% wool 15% silk 15% bamboo	tight	poor; colour change upon abrasion silk and bamboo frizz wears holes quickly	a little scratchy; bamboo starts to look like melted plastic with abrasion and washing; not recommended for socks.
Schafer yarns	\$30	400	multi; some striping	55% merino 30% silk 15% nylon	loose	mediocre; some wear (no holes) silk frizzes	expensive! squooshy and soft. Floppier socks.
Estelle Arequipa	\$20	400	multi	65% superwash 20% alpaca 15% nylon	tight	felts like crazy	handwash. Even then, it felts. Really, not for socks. And that's too bad, 'cause it's beautiful.
Sweatmaker Simply Sock	\$20	400	multi; some striping/pooling	80% merino 20% nylon	tight	dye bleeds - improperly fixed very simple dip-dye application	standard Stroll-type yarn. This looks like what I have produced by hand-dyeing; hence my feeling that this is overpriced.