## Time Traveler

## A Unisex Toe-Up Sock Pattern by Liz Sedmak



This toe-up sock uses simple (yet interesting) ribbing and a Fleegle heel for a project that flies right off your needles and fits spectacularly. It's great for a beginning sock knitter because there is no picking up gusset stitches, no "wrap and turn" short rows, and no kitchener stitch.

I call this pattern Time Traveler not only because of the colorway I used when designing it, but also because the socks knit up so fast you'll feel like someone's been messing with your time and relative dimension in space!

## Sizes

Extra Small (Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large, XXL) fits $7 "(8 ", 9 ", 10 ", 11 ", 12 ")$ foot circumference. The pattern is adjustable for any foot length.

## Materials

- KnitPicks Felici Fingering ( $75 \%$ superwash merino/25\% nylon), $2(2,2,2,3,3$ ) balls (218 yds/50g per ball), or your favorite wool/nylon fingering weight yarn
- US size $0(2.0 \mathrm{~mm})$ circular needle, $32^{\prime \prime}$ or longer for magic loop (or two circulars or double-pointed needles if you prefer), or size needed to obtain gauge
- Stitch markers (3)
- Tapestry needle


## Gauge

9 stitches and 12 rows $=1 "$ in stockinette stitch

## Abbreviations

$s t(s):$ stitch $(\mathrm{es})$
$k$ : knit
p: purl
$p m$ : place marker
sm: slip marker
$m 1 R$ : lift strand between stitch just worked and next stitch onto left-hand needle from the
back, k through the front loop.
$m 1 L$ : lift strand between stitch just worked and next stitch onto left-hand needle from the front, k through the back loop.
$R S$ : right side - the outside of the sock
$W S$ : wrong side - the inside of the sock
sl1: slip the next stitch from the left-hand needle to the right-hand needle. Slip knitwise on right-side rows and purlwise on wrong-side rows.
k2tog: knit the next two stitches together as one.
p2togtbl: purl the next two stitches together through the back loops.
ssk: slip the first stitch on the left-hand needle knitwise, slip the next stitch knitwise, place both stitches back onto the left-hand needle and knit together through the back loop.

## Toe

Cast on $16(20,20,24,28,32)$ stitches using Judy's Magic Cast On.
If you are using magic loop, there will be 8 (10, 10, 12, 14, 16) stitches per needle. Throughout the pattern, the first $8(10,10,12,14,16)$ stitches and the stitches increased from them will be referred to as the "first needle", and the other $8(10,10,12,14,16)$ stitches and the stitches increased from them will be referred to as the "second needle."

Set-up Round: K across first needle. On second needle, k4 (5, 5, 6, 7, 8), pm, k4 (5, 5, 6, 7, 8).
(This marker will mark the second needle and eventually provide the starting place for the heel.)

Round 1: k1, m1R, k to 1 st before end of first needle, $\mathrm{m} 1 \mathrm{~L}, \mathrm{k} 1$. Repeat for second needle. Round 2: k all sts.

Repeat these two rounds until you have at total of $60(64,68,80,92,100)$ sts.

## Foot

On first needle, work First Needle Chart. K across second needle. Repeat this round until work measures $3 "(3.25 ", 3.5 ", 4 ", 4.5 ", 4.75 ")$ less than desired foot length.

## Gusset

Set-up Round: On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, m1R, pm, k to end of second needle, $p m, m 1 L$.

Round 1: On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, k all sts. Round 2: On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, k to first marker, m1R, $s m, \mathrm{k}$ to last marker, $s m, \mathrm{~m} 1 \mathrm{~L}, \mathrm{k}$ to end of second needle.

Note: The gusset increases go outside the markers. There should alsaays be $30(32,34,40,46,50)$ sts betseeen the first and last markers on the second needle.

Repeat these two rounds until you have increased $14(15,16,19,22,24)$ sts on either side of the second needle.

You should now have $30(32,34,40,46,50)$ sts on the first needle and $58(62,66,78,90,98)$ sts on the second needle.

## Heel

Set-up Row (RS): On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, k to 2 sts past center marker, k2tog, k1, turn.
Set-up Row (WS): sl1, p to 2 sts past center marker, p2togtbl, p1, turn.
Note: The markers used for the gusset increases can now be removed, if you like, but leave the center marker in place.

Row 1 (RS): sl1, k to 1 st before the gap, k2tog, k1, turn.
Row $2(W S)$ : sl1, p to 1 st before the gap, p2togtbl, p1, turn.
Repeat these two rows until 2 sts remain after the gap on each side of second needle.
Note: "The gap" is the wide space between the stitch you slipped at the beginning of the previous row and the next stitch on the left-hand needle

Next Row: s11, k to 1 st before the gap, $\mathrm{k} 2 \mathrm{tog}, \mathrm{k}$ to end of second needle. DO NOTTURN.
Resume working in the round: On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, k 1 , ssk, $k$ to end of second needle.
Next round: On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.
Next round: On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, k to 2 sts before center marker, ssk, k2tog, k to end of second needle.

## Leg

On first needle, work First Needle Chart. On second needle, work Second Needle Chart. Repeat this round until leg measures 4 " ( 4 " $, 4 ", 4.5 ", 5$ " 5 "), or 1.5 " shorter than your desired leg length.

## Cuff

Next round: *p1, k1; repeat from * around. Repeat this round until cuff measures 1.5".

## Finishing

Bind off all sts loosely using Elizabeth Zimmerman's sewn bind-off. Weave all ends in securely, wash and block. Repeat for second sock.

## FIRST NEEDLE CHART

| Extra Small $(7 ״)$ |
| :--- |
| $\bullet$ $\bullet$  $\bullet$ $\bullet$ $\bullet$    $\bullet$ $\bullet$   $\bullet$ $\bullet$   $\bullet$ $\bullet$     $\bullet$ $\bullet$   $\bullet$ <br> 30 29 28 27 26 25 24 23 22 21 20 19 18 17 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 |


| Small $(8 ")$ |
| :--- |
| $\bullet$ $\bullet$  $\bullet$ $\bullet$   $\bullet$ $\bullet$ $\bullet$    $\bullet$ $\bullet$    $\bullet$ $\bullet$     $\bullet$ $\bullet$   $\bullet$ $\bullet$ <br> 32 31 30 29 28 27 26 25 24 23 22 21 20 19 18 17 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 |

Medium (9")

Large (10")


XXL (12")


## SECOND NEEDLE CHART



```
Small (8")
```

Medium (9")

Large (10")



XXL (12")

$\square$
(c) Liz Sedmak, all rights reserved. This pattern may not be copied or distributed without the express written consent of the author. For personal use only.

