

Round and Round Toe-Up Socks

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A comfy pair of crocheted socks done in the round, all in one piece, for no seaming needed.



Materials:

Crochet Hook, Size E

Lion Brand Magic Stripes (discontinued). 330 yards of a fingering weight yarn/sock yarn such as Red Heart, Heart and Sole.

Gauge:

5 sts and 8 rows per inch in single crochet

Finished Dimensions: fits a size 9 foot.

Abbreviations:

Sc- single crochet

Dc- double crochet

Yo- yarn over

Sri- short row increase, see special stitches for instructions

Flo- front loop only

Ch- chain

St(s)- stitch(es)

Inc- increase

Dec- decrease

Fpdc- front post double crochet

Bpdc- back post double crochet

Sl st- slip stitch

Special Stitches:

Crunch Stitch- sc, dc, sc, dc ...to end of row. On next row, you will work sc in the dc and dc in the sc.

Short Row Increase (SRI): insert the hook through the end of the previous sc row, YO, pull through, insert hook through end of previous SC row, YO, pull through, YO and pull through all loops on hook (3 loops)

SRI clarification: As you work the heel, you will have two sets of rows; the decrease rows (the first set you work) and the SRI rows (increasing back out). After you work the first two SRI rows (where the loops you pick up will be in rows right next to each other) the first loop you pick up will be in the end of the last SRI row you worked and then the next loop will be in the last decrease row you worked (that doesn't already have an SRI stitch done in it). So you will pick up one loop close and one loop across the gap, which will close up the side of your heel.

Watch the video on how to do the SRI here: http://youtu.be/JLd-N2_bpMU

Pattern:

Starting with the toe:

Ch 11.

Row 1: Sc in flo of 2nd chain from hook. Sc in flo of remaining 9 chain sts. Turn and work 10 sc across in flo of base chain stitches. Each base chain st will now have two sc in it for a total of 20 sts. Do not join row, and continue to work in a spiral.

Row 2: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 8 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 8 sts, inc. (24 sts)

Row 3: Sc in each sc around.

Row 4: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 10 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 10 sts, inc. (28 sts)

Row 5: Sc in each sc around.

Row 6: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 12 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 12 sts, inc. (32 sts)

Row 7: Sc in each sc around.

Row 8: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 14 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 14 sts, inc. (36 sts)

Row 9: Sc in each sc around.

Row 10: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 16 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 16 sts, inc. (40 sts)

Row 11: Sc in each sc around.

Row 12: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 18 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 18 sts, inc. (44 sts)

Row 13: Sc in each sc around.

Row 14: Inc, 1 sc in each of the next 20 sts, inc, inc, 1 sc in each of the next 20 sts, inc. (48 sts)

Row 15: Inc, Sc in each sc around. (49 sts) You must have an odd number of stitches to work the crunch stitch.

Now begin to work rows in the round in the crunch stitch. Because it is a toe up pattern, you can try on the sock to make it the length you need it to be. Stop working on the foot when it reaches the point where your ankle begins.

Lay the sock flat and determine and mark the halfway point on each side of the sock. Make sure when you stop working on the foot, you end at one of these points. You will be working 24 stitches back and forth flat and this will make the heel. The other half will have 25 that you will pick back up after completing the heel to make the leg of the sock.

Begin working the heel:

*Ch 1, turn, sc, dec, sc to last 3 sc, dec, sc.

Ch 1, turn, work sc across.

Repeat these two rows from * until you have 10 stitches left. (7 times)

Ch 1, turn, work to the end of row in sc, at the end of the row, do a short row increase (SRI).

Ch1, turn, sc across (11 sts), SRI.

Repeat [Ch1, turn, sc across, SRI] until you have 24 stitches again.

Do NOT turn. Work in Crunch stitch around foot and heel stitches (49 sts).

Begin working around in crunch stitch again until cuff is as long as you want before ribbing. (Sample sock has 6 rows before beginning ribbing)

To begin ribbing, dec 1 stitch. Ribbing must be worked over an even number of stitches. Work in dc around (48 sts).

*FPDC in first dc, BPDC in next dc. Continue from * around the sock alternating Front and Back Post Double Crochets. For the next and subsequent rows make sure you work all your fpdc's in a previous fpdc and the bpdc's in previous bpdc's. Make the ribbing as long as you want. When you are finished, work a sc, then a sl st, then bind off. Weave in your ends and repeat these directions to make a second sock.

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