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KNITTING DESIGN

BILLY THE KID SOCKS

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FINISHED SIZE

To fit a M 38-39 European - US size foot $8\frac{1}{2}$ -9 Foot circumference 20 cm / 8 inch unstretched

YARN



Fingering weight (100% wool; about 210 m - (230 y) / 50 g skein) 2 skeins

Sample project completed with Hot Socks Canyon (80% wool, 20% polyamide, 420 m - 460 y / 100 q skein) from Four Seasons.

NEEDLES

• 5 double-pointed needles size 2.5 mm / US 1.5

EXTRAS

- Stitch markers
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

30 sts and 42 rows = 10cm/4" over stockinette stitch

STITCH GUIDE AND ABBREVIATIONS

beg beginning

CO cast-on

dpn(s) double pointed needle

inc increase

k knit

k2tog knit 2 stitches together

m marker

M1 increase 1 stitch

p purl

pm place marker

rnd round(s)

RS right side

sl1 k2tog psso slip 1 stitch, knit 2

stitches together, pass the slipped

stitch over

sl1 slip 1

 ${f sl1wyf}$ slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in

front

sm slip marker

ssk slip 1 st as if to knit, slip 1 st as if to knit, return them to left needle and

knit together through back loop

st stitch(es)

WS wrong side

wyf with yarn in front

yo yarn over

CUFF

With 2.5 mm needles, CO 60 st, divide the st. on needles such that each needle has a multiple of 12 st, pm for beginning of the round and join for working in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Begin working cuff in k2, p2 ribbing for the desired length, here 8 rnds worked.

LEG

Then continue following Billy the Kid Socks chart. Repeat the chart 2 times around (front and back of sock). Work from rnd 1 to 18, 2 times and then from rnd 1 to 15 once.

You can make the leg longer, if you want, but be sure to add a complete chart repeat (rnd 1 to 18) and stop at the end of rnd 15. Now knit the next 45 st, this is the begin of the heel flap and it will be knitted on the next 30 st. Rearrange the st. on the needle, now you are ready to work the heel flap.

HEEL FLAP

Heel flap will be worked on the next30 st, back and forth.

Row 1. (RS): SI 1, k 29 st.

Row 2. (WS): Sl 1, *p1, sl1 with yarn in front*, repeat from * to *, p last st.

Row 3. (RS): sl 1, k29

Row 4. (WS): SI1, *SI1 with yarn in front, p1*, repeat from * to *, p last st.

Work from row 1 to row 4, 7 more times (32 rows worked). You can make the heel flap longer, but don't forget to pick up more stitches for the gusset.

TURNING THE HEEL

Now you can turn the heel as follows:

- Row 1. (RS): slip 1, k18, ssk, k1, turn
- Row 2. (WS): p 10, p2tog, p1, turn
- Row 3. (RS): k 11, ssk, k1, turn
- Row 4. (WS): p 12, p2tog, p1, turn
- Row 5. (RS): k 13, ssk, k1, turn
- Row 6. (WS): p 14, p2tog, p1, turn
- Row 7. (RS): k 15, ssk, k1, turn
- Row 8. (WS): p 16, p2tog, p1, turn
- Row 9. (RS): k 17, ssk, k1, turn
- Row 10. (WS): slip 1 as if to purl with yarn in front, p 17, p2tog, p1, turn
- Row 11. (RS): slip 1 as if to knit with yarn in back, k19.

The heel is now complete, 20 st. remain.

Now you are ready to pick-up stitches for gusset.

Pick-up and knit 16 st along left side of the heel flap, work the next 30 instep st following Billy The Kid chart (start at rnd 1, st. 1 to st. 30), pick-up and knit 16 st along right side of the heel flap, knit the first 10 st of the heel, this is the new beginning of the round.

GUSSET

Set-up row:

• K 26, knit next 30 st following Billy the Kid pattern (keeping the continuity of the pattern, here rnd 2), k 26.

Decreasing gusset:

- Rnd 1. k 23, k2tog, k1, work next 30 instep st following Billy the Kid pattern (keeping the continuity of the pattern, here rnd 3), k1, ssk, k 23.
- Rnd 2. k sole and gusset st, work instep st following Billy the Kid pattern, knit to end.

Continue working these 2 rounds, decreasing 2 st every other rnd, until you reach 60 st in total (30 sole st. and 30 instep st.)

FOOT

Continue working following the chart Billy the Kid, work it 3 times, be sure to finish after rnd 18. Knit 15 st, (to end of 30 sole st) and then work these 2 next rnds for finishing the pattern:

Rnd 1. K11, p1, slip 3 st to cable needle, hold in front, k3, k3 from cable needle, p1, k11, k30 (sole st.)

Rnd 2. k11, p1, k6, p1, k11, k30 (sole st.)

Then knit in plain stockinette st. until you reach 6 cm (2.50 inches) less than total desired foot length.

TOE

Rnd 1. k1, ssk, k to last 3 st, k2tog, k1; on sole st: k1, ssk, knit to 3 last st, k2tog, k1.

Rnd 2. knit

Repeat these 2 rnds, decreasing 4 st every other rnd until 32 st remains, then repeat rnd 1 every rnd until it remains 8 st.

FINISHING

Break yarn. With a tapestry needle pull through the remaining stitches and weave in ends. Et voilà.

Happy knitting \odot

This pattern has been carefully reviewed, but if there is any questions, comments or mistakes please contact me: stefanina-knitting-design.com

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