

# Original Chili Pepper Socks

v.1.2

*A Socks-for-Mum Design*



**FINISHED SIZE** 7-1/2" foot circumference

**YARN** 100 grams of fingering weight yarn

**NEEDLES** US Size 1 (2.25)mm set of 4 DPNS or a long circular for Magic Loop. Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

**NOTIONS** Stitch marker, tape measure, tapestry needle.

**GAUGE** 8 sts = 1" in St st

## ABBREVIATIONS

CO Cast On  
DPN Double point needle  
est established  
K knit  
k2tog knit two sts together  
P purl  
rnd round  
ssk slip, slip, knit

st(s) stitch(es)  
St st Stockinette stitch

## CUFF

Cast on 63 sts. Divide sts as follows:

### DPNS

Needle 1: 15  
Needle 2: 15  
Needle 3: 33

### MAGIC LOOP

Needle 1: 30  
Needle 2: 33

Join to work in the round being careful to not twist the stitches.

Rnd 1: \*K1, p2, k2, p2; rep from \* to end. Work ribbing for 1-1/2".

## LEG

Work Chili Pepper Stitch until desired leg length.

**Chili Pepper Stitch**  
**\*K1, p1, k4, p1; rep from \*to end.**

## Eye of Partridge Heel with 3-st Garter Edge

Work over 33 heel sts.

**Row 1: (WS):** K3, purl to end.

**Row 2:** P3, \*K1, sl1 wyib, rep from \* to last 4 sts, K4.

**Row 3:** K3, purl to end.

**Row 4:** P3, \*Sl1 wyib, k1, rep from \* to last 4 sts, sl 1, K3.

Repeat rows 1-4 ending after knitting a WS row (either row 1 of pattern or row 3) until your flap measures 2.25".

## Trapezoid Heel Turn:

**Row 1:** (RS) Slip 1, knit 17, ssk, k1, turn.

**Row 2:** (WS) Slip 1, p4, p2tog, p1, turn.

**Row 3:** Slip 1, knit to 1 stitch before gap, ssk, k1, turn.

**Row 4:** Slip 1, purl to 1 stitch before gap, p2tog, p1, turn.

Repeat row 3 and row 4 until all stitches have been worked – 19 heel sts remain.  
Knit across the 19 heel sts.

## Gusset Set Up:

### DPNS

Combine instep sts onto Needle 2.

#### **Needle 1:**

With RS facing you, pick up and knit 16 sts from side of heel flap with Needle 1.  
Pick up and knit 2 sts at top of gusset to avoid gusset hole, you will knit these two sts together on the next round.

#### **Needle 2:**

Work across 30 sts in established pattern.

#### **Needle 3:**

Pick up and knit 2 additional sts at top of gusset as before.  
Pick up and knit 16 sts from side of heel flap, knit 9 sts from Needle 1.

Needle 1: 28 sts

Needle 2: 30 instep sts

Needle 3: 27 sts

### MAGIC LOOP

#### **Needle 1**

With RS facing you, pick up and knit 16 sts from side of heel flap with Needle 1.  
Pick up and knit 2 additional sts at top of gusset to avoid gusset hole.  
Place marker.

Work 15 sts in established pattern.

#### **Needle 2:**

Work rest of instep sts in established pattern.

Place marker.

Pick up and knit 2 additional sts at top of gusset as before.

Knit 16 sts from side of heel flap, knit 9 sts from Needle 1.

Now each of the needles holds either the left or right half of the foot.

Needle 1 (heel) - 43 sts

Needle 2 (instep) - 42 sts

## Gusset Decreases:

### DPNS

#### **Rnd 1:**

Needle 1: Knit to last 2 sts, ssk.

Needle 2: Work in est pattern.

Needle 3: K2tog, knit to end of needle.

**Rnd 2:**

Needle 1: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 3: K1, ssk, knit to end of needle.

**Rnd 3:**

Needle 1: Knit.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 3: Knit.

Repeat rnds 2 and 3 until 65 sts remain.

On following rnd, decrease only 1 st instead of 2 sts as follows:

Needle 1: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 3: Knit.

Needle 1: 17 sts  
Needle 2: 30 sts  
Needle 3: 17 sts

**MAGIC LOOP****Rnd 1:**

Needle 1: Knit to 2 sts before marker, ssk, slip marker, work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern to marker, slip marker, k2tog, knit to end of needle.

**RND 2:**

Needle 1: Knit to 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern to marker, slip marker, k1, ssk, knit to end of needle.

**RND 3:**

Needle 1: Knit to marker, slip marker, work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern to marker, slip marker, knit to end of needle.

Repeat rnds 2 and 3 until 65 sts remain.

On following rnd, decrease only 1 st instead of 2 sts as follows:

Needle 1: Knit to 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, work in est Chili Pepper pattern.  
Needle 2: Work in est Chili Pepper pattern to marker, slip marker, knit to end..

Needle 1: 32 sts  
Needle 2: 32 sts

## FOOT

Knit in pattern until the foot measures 2.5" less than desired total length.

## TOE SHAPING

Decrease Rnd 1: \*K6, k2tog; rep from\* 56 sts.

Knit 6 rows.

Decrease Rnd 2: \*K5, k2tog; rep from\* \_\_48 sts remain.

Knit 5 rows.

Decrease Rnd 3: \*K4, k2tog; rep from \* \_\_40 sts remain.

Knit 4 rows.

Decrease Rnd 4: \*K3, k2tog; rep from\* \_\_ 32 sts remain.

Knit 3 rows.

Decrease Rnd 5: \*K2, k2tog; rep from\* \_\_24 sts remain.

Knit 2 rows

Decrease Rnd 6: \*K1, k2tog; rep from\* \_\_16 sts remain.

Knit 1 row.

Decrease Rnd 7: \*K2 tog; rep from \* \_\_ 8 sts remain.



Cut yarn and thread the tail into a tapestry needle. Draw tail through remaining stitches and pull up snugly to close end of toe. Weave in loose ends.