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# THE JOGLESS HIKING SOCK

These are "man-sized" hiking socks knit in a DK tweed. The merino wool/alpaca blend is quick to knit up and will keep your tootsies comfortable and toasty warm even when wet. Subtle, jogless stripes and tonal geometry also make this a stylish sock for weekend paper reading and coffee drinking sans mountain or mole hill.



## SIZING INFO

- ♦ 8-10 (41-43) S
- ♦ 10-11.5 (43-45) M
- ♦ 12-14 (45-48) L

\*Mens US shoe size (European)

The sock can be tried on while knitting to customize length.

## FIBER

Knit Picks City Tweed DK 123 yds per 50 grams Chipmunk MC 1(1, 2) skeins Porpoise CC 1 (1, 1) skeins

# METHODOLOGY

 Magic cast on, toe up, short row heel, 2x2 ribbed cuff, JSSBO.

## NEEDLES

Size US 3 (3.25mm) 40" circular, DPN's, or 2 short circulars depending on smalldiameter knitting method of choice.

# GAUGE

- 27 sts per 4" (10cm) in stockinette
  - \*After blocking

# NOTIONS

- Blunt darning needle
- Measuring tape
- Stitch Markers

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# NOTES

This sock is knitted from the toe-up, beginning with Judy Becker's Magic Cast On (JBMCO). The stripes utilize Barbara Walker's method of knitting jogless stripes. The intarsia square is knit back and forth utilizing short rows before knitting the short row heel. Finally, the sock cuff ribbing is finished off with Jeny Staimen's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind Off (JSSBO). If you are not familiar with one or more of these techniques, I've provided hyperlinks to online videos for instruction below. I implore you to try them out; these innovative skills are applicable to so many other projects and add to your knitting "bag of tricks." The pattern instructions are written for Magic Loop, but can be easily adapted to using 2 shorter circular needles or DPN's. If you are new to using JBMCO, I would suggest casting on and knitting the first couple of rounds of the toe using a circular needle before switching to DPN's.

JBMCO
Jogless Stripes
Short Row Intarsia
JSSBO

http://youtu.be/lhBISOAhhQY http://youtu.be/\_PjAOIROMOU http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ofSotC-vPSw http://youtu.be/abBhe-JYmgI

# PATTERN

## TOE

- \* With circular needle and CC, CO 20 sts using JBMCO (10 sts on each needle).
- \* Rnd 1: K1, PM, K8, PM, K2, PM, K8, PM, K1. (20 sts)
- \* Rnd 2: K1, SM, M1, K to marker, M1, SM, K2, SM, M1, K to next marker, M1, SM, K1 (24 sts)
- Rnd 3: K all sts.
- \* Repeat Rnds 2 and 3 until 48, 52, 56 sts on needle(s).
- \* Remove all markers. At this point, you may choose to place a marker between the 2 undisturbed knit stitches on either side of the toe or you can just go by the beginning tail yarn.

#### FOOT

- ❖ Join MC and K 4 Rnds utilizing jogless striping technique from here and throughout where applicable (do not break CC, but carry it loosely up the inside of sock).
- \* K 4 Rnds in CC.
- \* K 4 Rnds in MC.
- \* K 3 Rnds in CC.
- ❖ K 4 Rnds in MC.
- \* K 2 Rnds in CC.
- ❖ K 4 Rnds in MC.
- ❖ K 1 Rnds in CC. Break CC leaving a 4" tail for weaving
- ❖ K in MC until sock is approximately 3.5" shorter than desired length.



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## **INTARSIA BLOCK**

- Row 1: K 32, 35, 38 sts. Join CC and K 8. Yarn forward (YF), slip next st on left needle, purlwise, yarn back (YB), slip previously slipped st back to left needle tip-to-tip and turn work. [public side W&T completed]
- \* Row 2: P 8 sts. Drop CC. Picking up MC from underneath CC, P 39, 42, 45 sts. You should now be at the stitch previously wrapped. Place tip of right needle under the wrap and pull the wrap up and over the stitch proper. Perform a P2tog with the stitch and the wrap. YB, slip next st on left needle purlwise, YF, slip previously slipped st back to left needle tip-to-tip and turn work. [private side W&T completed]
- \* Row 3: K 40, 43, 46 sts. Drop MC. Picking up CC from underneath MC, K 7 sts. You should now be at the wrapped stitch. Place tip of right needle under wrap and pull wrap up and over the stitch proper. Perform a SSK with the stitch and the wrap. Perform public side W&T as previously instructed in Row 1.
- ❖ Rows 4-7: Repeat Rows 2 & 3 two more times.
- \* Row 8: Repeat Row 2 once. Break off CC leaving a 4" tail for weaving. K 8, 9, 10 sts to beginning of round marker.
- \* K 2 rnds in MC.

## HEEL

### 1st Half

- \* Row 1: Join CC and K 24, 26, 28 sts in CC. Perform public side W&T.
- Row 2: P 24, 26, 28 sts. Perform private side W&T.
- ❖ Row 3: K to 1 st before previous wrap and perform public side W&T.
- Row 4: P to 1 st before previous wrap and perform private side W&T.
- Continue to repeat Rows 3 and 4 until 10 sts remain, ending with a private side row.

#### 2nd Half

- Row 1: K to first wrap, K wrap with st as previously instructed and perform public side W&T on next st. (st will now have 2 wraps)
- \* Row 2: Purl to next wrapped st and P wrap with st as previously instructed. Perform private side W&T on next st. (st will now have 2 wraps)
- \* Continue to rpt Rows 1&2 until all heel sts have been worked. Drop CC leaving a 4" tail for weaving. Picking up MC from underneath CC K 24, 26, 28 to beginning of round marker.

## LEG

- \* K approximately 2", or desired length, in MC.
- \* Drop MC (do not break) and K 1 rnd in CC.
- \* Drop CC (do not break) and K 4 rnds in MC.
- \* Continue knitting in same stripe sequence as foot, but reversing the order as in photos, ending with 4 rnds in MC. Break MC leaving approximately 4" for weaving.
- Join CC and begin working 2X2 ribbing (knitting 2 sts and purling 2 sts alternatively) for approximately 2 inches.
- \* Bind off using JSSBO.
- ❖ Weave in all ends.



### REPEAT INSTRUCTIONS FOR 2ND SOCK AND BLOCK SOCKS AS DESIRED. ENJOY!