



Under the Boardwalk Footies

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The song "[Under the Boardwalk](#)" captures a fun summer feeling for me. These footies are a summer must. I like to wear footies in warm weather when I put on my sneakers for biking or walking.

You'll enjoy this great summer project that knits up quick and that won't make you break a sweat. The footies use between 40 and 60 grams of fingering weight yarn, so they also make a great stash buster or mini-skein project.

Combine more than one color for a unique look.

The pattern is cuff down with a heel flap and gusset. Short row shaping before the heel adds a bit of extra fabric that will help keep these socks from slipping down inside your shoes.

Intermediate

Size: Adult Medium (large);
circumference 8-9.5" foot
length customizable

Note: Medium size can be knit
on either 60 or 64 stitches.

Gauge: 32 St / 48 rows = 4" in
stockinette

Materials:

Yarn:

About 40-60 grams of fingering
weight yarn

Show in:

(purple) CoBaSi
by HiKoo by skacel
Fingering / 4 ply
55% Cotton, 21% Nylon, 16%
Bamboo, 8% Silk
220 yards / 50 grams

(green) Heritage Prints
by Cascade Yarns
Fingering / 4 ply
75% Wool, 25% Nylon
437 yards / 100 grams

Needles:

**US1 / 2.25 mm 32" circular or
dpn needles**

Notions:

Stitch markers (optional), row
counter, darning needle

Techniques used:

Slip stitches, increases, decreases, short row shaping wrap and turn, and Kitchener stitch.

Abbreviations and terms:

K – Knit

S1 – Slip one stitch purl wise with yarn in back

K2tog – Knit two stitches together

SSK – s1, s1, knit two stitches together

ML – Magic Loop (knitting in the round using one long circular needle)

dpn – double point needle

K1tbl – knit 1 stitch through the back loop

W&T – slip stitch to right needle, insert yarn between slipped stitch and next stitch (back to front on knit row, front to back on purl row – this creates wrap), then return slipped stitch to left needle and turn work.

**Directions:**

Choose a cuff option from sidebar and knit cuff, then knit 4 rounds

Cuff options

Note: For a snugger cuff, the cast on is 4 stitches less than the stitch count used for foot size.

Rolled

Cast on 56 (60, 68) stitches, join to work in the round (being careful not to twist)

Knit 4 rounds

Work 6 rounds Ribbing: K1tbl, P1, repeat to end
Knit 1 round increasing 4 stitches evenly spaced (60, 64, 72 stitches) (for ML, one stitch at beginning and end of each needle.)

Ribbing

Cast on 56 (60, 68) stitches, using a long tail cast-on, join to work in the round (being careful not to twist) Work 8 rounds of any ribbing (K1, P1; K2, P2; K1tbl, P1, etc)

Knit 1 round, increasing 4 stitches evenly spaced (60, 64, 72 st) (for ML, one stitch at beginning and end of each needle)

Note: for a more generous ankle, cast on full number of stitches and omit increases

Heel set up:

Knit 27 (29, 33), W&T, P24 (26, 30), W&T, knit 27 (29, 35), picking up wrapped stitch, turn, S1, P29 (31, 35), picking up wrapped stitch.

Begin working the heel on these 30 (32, 36) stitches.

Note: instructions are given for a standard flap style heel, but any heel method can be substituted if desired.

Heel Flap

Working back and forth on these 30 (32, 36) stitches, work Heel flap as follows:

Row 1: S1, K1, repeat to end

Row 2: S1, purl to end

Repeat these two rows until 32 (32, 36) rows have been worked or until desired length of heel.

Turn heel:

Row 1: S11, knit 17(18, 20), SSK, K1; turn work

Row 2: S11, purl 7, P2tog, p1; turn work

Row 3: S11, knit to one stitch before gap formed by turn, SSK, K1, turn

Row 4: S11, purl to one stitch before gap formed by turn, P2tog, P1, turn

Repeat last 2 rows until 18 (20, 22) stitches remain.

Note: for 60 & 72 stitch size, there will be no K1/P1 after the decrease on the last repeat.

Gusset:

Set up: knit across remaining heel stitches, pick up 17 (18) stitches, work instep, pick up 17 (18) stitches. (82, 88, 94 stitches total)

Knit half of heel stitches. Adjust stitches on needles so that stitches are grouped as follows:

For Circular needles: 9 (10, 11) Heel stitches, 17(18) picked up stitches (marker) 15(16, 18) instep stitches (needle break), 15 (16, 18) instep stitches, (marker) 17(18) picked up stitches, 9 (10, 11) heel stitches – sock will be in 'profile' now.

(Or for dpns, 26(27,29) stitches on needle 1, 30 (32, 36) stitches on needle 2 and 26 (27, 29) stitches on needle 3).

Round now begins at center of heel.

Regardless of needle type, the gusset decreases will be worked as follows:

Round 1: Knit to 3 stitches before beginning of instep, K2tog, K1, knit instep, K1, SSK, knit to end.

Round 2: Knit all stitches.

Work these two rounds until 60 (64, 72) stitches remain.

Foot:

Continue working on foot until about 1.5" less than desired length.

Toe shaping:

Round 1: Knit to 3 stitches before beginning of instep stitches, k2tog, k1, k1, ssk, knit to 3 stitches before end of instep stitches, k2tog, k1, k1, SSK, knit to end.

Round 2: Knit

Round 3: Knit

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 until 32 (36) stitches remain, then **round 1** only until 24 stitches remain.

Cut yarn leaving a 12" tail, use Kitchener stitch to graft toe closed. Weave in ends. Knit 2nd footie and enjoy!