

Children's Bed Socks

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These children's bed socks are based on Churchmouse Classic's pattern for Turkish Bed Socks. I love the Churchmouse design and consequently have made many pairs. My daughter saw me wearing one pair that I made and wanted some of her own, so I adapted the original design to fit my daughter's feet. Thus my pattern fits her 4-year-old feet, but it can be easily adapted to fit your child's foot size (see **NOTES**).

YARN

1 hank Aslan Trends Santa Fe (85% merino wool, 15% polyamide; 180 yds/1.75 oz), in color 1332 Pink Mist.

NEEDLES & NOTIONS

US 3 (3.25 mm) dpns, set of 4.
Darning needle to finish.

GAUGE

7 sts and 8.5 rows = 1" in St st.

FINISHED SIZE

With sock laid flat, approx 5.5" from heel to toe and 2.5" across foot at widest part (to snugly fit a child whose feet measure 6" from heel to toe).



NOTES

This pattern makes socks to fit a 4-year-old whose foot is 6" in length and wears a size 8 or 9 shoe. You can adjust the length of the socks to fit your child by knitting more or less rounds before you begin the toe shaping.

If your gauge matches mine, there will be 8.5 rounds per inch, so I would suggest you decrease by 5 rounds or increase by 4 for every half inch difference in your child's foot length. For example, if your child's foot is 5.5" long, knit for 13 rounds before beginning the toe shaping. Likewise, if your child's foot is 6.5" long, knit for 22 rounds before you start the toe shaping.



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INSTRUCTIONS

Using 2 dpns as straight needles and leaving yourself a 10" tail, CO 30 sts.

Ankle Welt

Row 1 (WS): k.

Row 2: p.

Heel Wrap

Row 3 (increase row): (p6, m1) four times, p6 (34 sts).

Work 8 rows in St st, starting with a k row and ending with a p row.

Next Row (RS): BO 13 kwise, k to end (21 sts).

Next Row: BO 13 pwise, p to end (8 sts).

Heel Flap

Work remaining 8 sts in St st for 8 rows, starting with a k row and ending with a p row.

Next Row (RS): k8, pick up and knit 4 sts spaced evenly along heel flap (12 sts).

Next Row: p12, pick up and purl 4 sts spaced evenly along heel flap, inserting needle from the knit side (16 sts).

Heel Bottom

Continue to work in St st over these 16 sts for 18 more rows, starting with a k row and ending with a p row.

FROM THIS POINT FORWARD YOU WILL BE KNITTING IN THE RND USING ALL 4 DPNS.

CO Instep

K8 sts. This is the beginning of the rnd.

Needle 1: k8, pick up and knit 4 sts across St st edge of heel wrap (12 sts on Needle 1).

Needle 2: pick up and knit 2 sts across Rev St st ankle welt. Using working yarn and 10" tail from initial CO, CO 8 sts using the long-tail CO method. Pick up and knit 2 sts across opposite edge of ankle welt (12 sts on Needle 2), which will join the sts for working in the rnd. Before proceeding, make sure the RS is facing you and your sts are not twisted.

Needle 3: pick up and knit 4 sts across St st edge of heel wrap, k8 (12 sts on Needle 3). Again, make sure the RS is facing you and your sts are not twisted before proceeding.

Instep Edging

Rnds 1 & 2: k all sts on Needle 1; p all sts on Needle 2; k all sts on Needle 3 (36 sts total—12 sts each dpn).



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Foot

K every rnd for 18 rnds (approx. 1.75"), or to desired length. (This is where you add or subtract rnds to fit your child's foot, keeping in mind that toe shaping will add 1.25" to the overall sock length. Also keep in mind that you want the finished sock to be 0.5" to 1" shorter than your child's foot to ensure a snug fit.)

Toe Shaping

Redistribute sts: 9 sts on Needle 1; 18 sts on Needle 2; 9 sts on Needle 3.

Rnd 1: Needle 1: k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Needle 2: k1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1. Needle 3: k1, ssk, k to end.

Rnd 2: k.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 until 12 sts remain, ending with Rnd 1—3 sts on Needle 1; 6 sts on Needle 2; 3 sts on Needle 3. K 3 sts from Needle 1 onto Needle 3.

Graft Toe

Cut yarn leaving a 10" tail and thread onto darning needle. Close toe using Kitchener st.

FINISHING

Seam slits on each side of heel sole. Secure and weave all ends to inside of socks.

ABBREVIATIONS

approx	approximately	pwise	purlwise, as if to purl
BO	bind off	Rev St st	Reverse Stockinette stitch (p on RS, k on WS)
CO	cast on	rep	repeat
dpns	double-pointed needles	rnd(s)	round(s)
k	knit	RS	right side
k2tog	knit 2 sts together	ssk	slip 1 st kwise, slip 1 st kwise, k these 2 sts together through their back loops
kwise	knitwise, as if to knit	st(s)	stitch(es)
m1	increase 1 st by inserting left needle from front to back under yarn running between sts and purling through the back loop	St st	Stockinette stitch (k on RS, p on WS)
mm	millimeter(s)	tog	together
oz	ounce(s)	WS	wrong side
p	purl	yd(s)	yard(s)



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