

Snakes in the Sand Socks

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Shoe Size: Woman's medium foot

Style: Cuff to Toe

Length: Standard

Gauge: 8.00 sts, 10.00 rws per inch

Needles: 5 dpn

Needle Description: size 1

Yarn Description: any solid or nearly solid color fingering (sock) yarn

Estimated Yardage: 359

Finished Measurements:

Circumference: leg = 7.5", foot = 7.5"

Length: cuff = 1.50", leg = 6.5", heel = 2.3", foot = 9.6"

Leg Pattern Stitch (12 stitch repeat) pattern stitch borrowed from Vogue Knitting
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6-st RC Sl 3 sts to cn and hold to back, k3, k3 from cn .(cable needle)

6-st LC Sl 3 sts to cn and hold to front, k3, k3 from cn.

(multiple of 12 sts)

Preparation Row *P3, k3; rep from * to end.

Rows 1, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19 and 23 Knit.

Row 2 *P3, k3; rep from * to end.

Rows 3 and 15 *K6, 6-st LC; rep from * to end.

Rows 4, 6 and 8 *K3, p6, k3; rep from * to end.

Rows 9 and 21 *6-st RC, k6; rep from * to end.

Rows 10, 12 and 14 *K3, p3; rep from * to end.

Rows 16, 18 and 20 *P3, k6, p3; rep from * to end.

Rows 22 and 24 Rep row 2.

Rep rows 1-24.

Sock Start:

Cast on 60 sts loosely.

Divide sts on 4 dpns as follows:

N1: 15 heel sts

N2: 15 instep sts

N3: 15 instep sts

N4: 15 heel sts

Join. BOR (beginning of round)

Cuff:

Work cuff in pattern stitch for 16 rnds. [1.50" from cast on edge] End at BOR.

Leg:

Work in leg pattern stitch for 66 rnds or length desired for leg of sock. Complete sts on N3. Stop. [8" total from the cast on edge.]

Heel Flap with Heel Stitch: (Or do your favorite kind of heel)

Slip N4 sts onto N1. [30 sts]

With RS facing, work back and forth as follows:

Rw 1: *Sl 1 purlwise, k1. Repeat from * to end.

Rw 2: Sl 1 purlwise, p to end.

Repeat these 2 rows until 32 rows are complete. [2.3"]

Turn Heel:

Note: Sl 1 = slip 1 purlwise

Round Heel

(Or do your favorite kind of heel)

Rw 1: (RS) K 16, ssk, k1. Turn.

Rw 2: (WS) Sl 1, p 3, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Rw 3: (RS) Sl 1, k 4, ssk, k1. Turn.

Rw 4: (WS) Sl 1, p 5, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Rw 5: (RS) Sl 1, k 6, ssk, k1. Turn.

Rw 6: (WS) Sl 1, p 7, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Rw 7: (RS) Sl 1, k 8, ssk, k1. Turn.

Rw 8: (WS) Sl 1, p 9, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Rw 9: (RS) Sl 1, k 10, ssk, k1. Turn.

Rw 10: (WS) Sl 1, p 11, p2tog, p1. Turn.

Rw 11: (RS) Sl 1, k 12, ssk, k1. Turn.

Rw 12: (WS) Sl 1, p 13, p2tog, p1. Turn. 16 sts remain. Work 8 sts. BOR

Heel Gusset:

With a free needle, knit remaining 8 heel sts. [N1]

Continuing with the same needle, pick up 16 sts along the side of the heel.

Pick up and knit a st from row below the first instep st to prevent a hole. [N1: 25 sts total]

With a free needle, work across 15 instep sts. [N2]

With a free needle, work across 15 instep sts. [N3]

With free needle, pick up and knit from row below the first heel st to prevent a hole.

With same needle, pick up 16 sts along side of the heel and work across remaining heel sts. [N4: 25 sts total] BOR

Shape Gusset:

Rnd 1: (Dec Rnd)

N1: Work to 3 sts from end. K2tog, k1.

N2: (Instep) Work even.

N3: (Instep) Work even.

N4: K1, ssk, work to end.

Rnd 2: Work even.

Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until there are 60 sts remaining. [32 rnds total]

At this point you can decide if you want to continue using the leg pattern or stop and do plain knitting.

Foot:

Continue working in rnds until foot measures 8" from base of heel.

Complete sts on N4. BOR

Shape Toe - Classic Standard

Rnd 1:

N1: (Sole) Work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

N2: (Instep) K1, ssk, work to end.

N3: (Instep) Work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

N4: (Sole) K1, ssk, complete round.

Rnd 2: Work even.

Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until 40 total sts remain. [10 rnds]

Work decrease rnd only until 16 sts remain. [8 instep sts, 8 sole sts]

Finishing

Work sts on N1. Slip sts from N4 to opposite end of N1.

Slip sts from N3 onto N2.

Holding two needles together, graft sts using Kitchener Stitch.

Weave in ends.

Work second sock.