

HAPPY NEWBORN SOCKS

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Yarn- Happiness Yarn Co. Bliss DK weight yarn
Colorway in Sample - Autumn on the Ocean
Needles- US 5 circulars or DPNs

Pattern:

Co 24

Work in k2p2 ribbing for 13 rows

Start working the heel flap on the first 12 sts:

Sl1, k1 repeat *to* to end, turn work

sl1, p to end, turn work

Sl1, *sl1, k1* to last st, k, turn work

Repeat rows 1-3 but end on row 2 (a wrong side row) when you have 8 rows.

Heel turn:

Sl1, k7, ssk, k1 turn work

Sl1, p5, p2tog, p1, turn

Sl1, k5, ssk, k1, turn

Sl1, p6, p2tog

You should have 8 sts left

Gusset:

K across and then pick up the 7 sts on side of heel flap and close gap using my method found at happinesyarn.co > patterns > Happy Newborn Socks

K across instep, continuing to k2p2 to match leg of sock.

Close gap on other side using same method and pick up the other 7 sts on the other side of heel flap.

Starting at the heel, k14, k2tog, pm (no need to place marker if this is the end of your needle)

Work instep (12 sts) pm, ssk, k6 (K to end of row)

Now you know that the instep is inside the two st markers and you need to k2tog before the instep and ssk after the instep. Decrease in this way every other row until you are back to 24 sts.

K around, still working k2p2 on the instep, until you have 18 rows from beginning of gusset to live sts. I count my rows starting at the leg of sock, counting the picked up heel flap sts up to the live sts, along the instep. The decreases will appear to go in a diagonal line.

Star toe:

K4, k2tog, pm a total of 4 times

K next rnd

k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog

Repeat rows 2 and 3 until you have 16 sts remaining. Work row 2 once more and work decrease rows (row 3) until you have 8 sts remaining. Cut yarn and weave tail through all 8 sts before pulling needles out. Tighten yarn to close hole and weave in ends.



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