

WOVEN DIAMOND SOCKS

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MATERIALS

US 5 Double pointed needles
75g DK weight yarn
Stitch markers, tapestry needle

GAUGE

US 5 needles: 23 sts and 28 rows = 4" in stockinette.

ABBREVIATIONS

DPNS- Double Pointed Needles
S- Slip stitch to right needle purlwise without knitting it
PM- Place marker
K2tog- Knit two stitches together
P2tog- Purl two stitches together
SSK- Slip 1, Slip 1, (both knitwise), transfer 2 slipped sts back to left needle, K2tog through back loops
W&T- (Wrap the next stitch and turn) Slip the next st purlwise, pass the yarn between needles, Slip the st back onto the left needle, turn

WOVEN DIAMOND PATTERN

Pattern note: Slip stitches with the yarn in front.

Round 1 and all odd rows: Knit
Round 2: *K3, S2, K3, S1, K3, S2, K2*
Round 4: *K2, S2, K3, S3, K3, S2, K1*
Round 6: *K1, S2, K3, S2*
Round 8: *S2, K3, S2, K3, S2, K3, S1*
Round 10: *S1, K3, S2, K5, S2, K3*
Round 12: Repeat round 8
Round 14: Repeat round 6
Round 16: Repeat round 4



The socks pictured were knitted with Knit Picks Swish DK weight yarn in grain heather.

The subtle slipped stitch pattern on these winter time socks gives interesting texture without adding bulk. These attractive socks are surprisingly quick to make and a pleasure to wear.

The socks are knitted from the top down with #5 double pointed needles and require about 75g of yarn. The cuff begins 8 inches from the ground. They are looser around the ankle (but not too loose!) and are quite snug on the foot to allow these thick socks to get into your shoes.



CUFF

Cast on 48 sts. Join the ends to work in the round.
Round 1: *K1, P1, repeat from *. Repeat this round 4 more times. Change to the “woven diamond” stitch pattern for the next 48 rounds (three pattern repeats).

HEEL AND GUSSET

HEEL FLAP Knit 24 sts, work back and forth on the next 24 sts as follows (end with a WS row):

RS: K3, *S1 (with yarn in back), K1, repeat from* end K3.

WS: K3, P18, K3.

TURN HEEL K15, SSK, w&t, *P7, P2tog, w&t, K7, SSK, w&t, repeat from * until only 10 sts remain on the heel. K2tog, K6, SSK. 8 sts left on heel

GUSSET You will begin working in the round again and this point will be the new beginning of your rounds. Throughout this section you will work the “woven diamond” pattern over the top 24 sts and stockinette around the bottom.

Round 1: Pick-up and knit 12 sts along the heel flap edge, knit across the stitches you have reserved (this will be row 2 from the “woven diamond” pattern), pick-up and knit 12 sts along the other side of the heel flap, knit across the 8 heel flap stitches. 56 sts total.

Round 2: K11, PM, K1, K24 (round 3 in stitch pattern), K1, PM, knit to end.

Round 3: Knit to 2 sts before marker, K2tog, K1, K24 (in stitch pattern), K1, SSK, knit to end.

Repeat round 3 until you have 40 sts left on your needles.



Continue working in the “woven diamond” pattern over the top 24 sts, and stockinette around the bottom 16 sts until the sock is about 1” from the tip of your toe. End by knitting 6 sts into the next round. This will be the new beginning of your rounds for toe shaping.

TOE

The toe is worked entirely in stockinette stitch.

Round 1: *K1, SSK, K14, K2tog, K1, repeat from *.

Round 2: *K1, SSK, K12, K2tog, K1, repeat from *.

Round 3: *K1, SSK, K10, K2tog, K1, repeat from *.

Round 4: *K1, SSK, K8, K2tog, K1, repeat from *.

Round 5: *K1, SSK, K6, K2tog, K1, repeat from *.

Divide sts in half over two needles and close the toe using kitchener stitch. Weave in the ends.