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## SEAFARER'S STRIPEY CREW SOCKS

### LEVEL 3

#### ABOUT THIS PATTERN

A sock everyone can knit using step-by-step instructions.

#### PATTERN NOTE

These socks are worked from the cuff down on double-pointed needles with a flap and gusset heel.

#### ABBREVIATIONS:

ssk = slip 2 stitches knitwise one at a time to the right-hand needle, insert left-hand needle in front of these stitches, and knit them together (1 st decreased)

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together (1 st decreased)

p2tog = purl 2 stitches together (1 st decreased)

MC = main color

CC = contrasting color

#### DIRECTIONS

Cuff:

Loosely cast on 48 sts onto three double-pointed needle, arranging 16 sts on each needle. Join for working in the round, being careful not to twist stitches. Work k2, p2 ribbing for 1.5" - 2".

Leg:

Switch to stockinette stitch. Knit one round in MC. On round 2, add CC. Knit two rounds of CC. Knit two rounds of MC. Continue in this manner (two



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#### MATERIALS

Two colors of worsted weight  
yarn, approximately 100 yards  
of each color  
Set of US size 5 double-pointed  
needles, or size needed to get  
gauge  
Tapestry needle

#### GAUGE

5 sts & 7 rounds = 1" in  
stockinette stitch

#### SIZE

Leg: 9" long  
Foot: 11" long

rounds CC, two rounds MC) until leg measures approximately 8-1/2" from cast on, or desired length to top of heel. End with 2 rounds of MC.

#### Heel Flap:

Knit 24 sts and re-adjust the remaining stitches so that there are 12 sts each on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> needles. Work back and forth on heel stitches in rows as follows:

Row 1: \*Slip 1 stitch purlwise, knit 1 stitch. Repeat from \* across row.

Row 2: Slip 1 stitch purlwise, purl across row.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 14 times.

#### Heel Turn:

Using MC, work in short rows as follows:

Short Row 1 (RS): Slip 1 purlwise, k12, k2tog, k1, turn work.

Short Row 2 (WS): Slip 1 purlwise, p4, p2tog, p1, turn.

Short Row 3: Slip 1 purlwise, k5, k2tog (1 stitch from each side of gap), k1, turn.

Short Row 4: Slip 1 purlwise, p6, p2tog (1 stitch from each side of gap), p1, turn.

Short Row 5: Slip 1 purlwise, k7, k2tog, k1, turn.

Short Row 6: Slip 1 purlwise, p8, p2tog, p1, turn.

Short Row 7: Slip 1 purlwise, k9, k2tog, k1, turn.

Short Row 8: Slip 1 purlwise, p10, p2tog, p1, turn.

Short Row 9: Slip 1 purlwise, k11, k2tog, k1, turn.

Short Row 10: Slip 1 purlwise, p12, p2tog, turn.

Knit 7 sts. This is the new beginning of the round.

#### Gusset:

Still using MC, knit 7 sts from the heel, then pick u and knit 14 stitches from the side of the heel. Knit 24 stitches across the top of the foot onto one needle.

Pick up and knit 14 stitches onto the third needle, knit 7 sts from the heel. (Needle #1: 21 sts; needle #2: 24 sts; needle #3: 21 sts. Total of 66 sts.)

Join to work in the round. To continue in the stripe pattern, add your CC.

Round 1: Needle #1: knit until 3 sts remain on needle, k2tog, k1, needle #2: knit, needle #3: k1, ssk, knit to end. (2 sts decreased)

Round 2: Knit all stitches.

Repeat Rounds 1 & 2 (alternating colors to continue the striping) until 12 sts remain on needles #1 and #3, and 24 sts on needle #2. (Total of 48 sts.)

#### Foot:

Knit (continuing in the stripe pattern) until sock reaches approximately 8".

#### Toe:

Round 1: Needle #1, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; needle #2, k1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; needle #3, k1, ssk, knit to end. (4 sts decreased)

Round 2: Knit all stitches.

Repeat Rounds 1 & 2 until there are 8 sts on needle #1, 16 sts on needle #2, 8 sts on needle #3. (Total of 32 sts)

Repeat Round 1 only until there are 3 sts on needle #1, 6 sts on needle #2, 3 sts on needle #3. (Total of 12 sts)

Knit stitches from needle #1 onto needle #3. (6 sts each on 2 needles)

#### FINISHING:

Cut yarn, leaving 12" tail to thread onto tapestry needle.

Using Kitchener stitch, graft toe closed as follows.

Hold sock so that both needles are even and parallel and with free yarn extending from the right hand end of back needle.

While working, always keep yarn under the knitting needles.

Weave stitches from front and back needles together as follows:

\*Pass tapestry needle through 1<sup>st</sup> stitch on front needle as if to knit, slip stitch off needle.

Pass yarn through next stitch on front needle as if to purl, leave stitch on needle.

Pass yarn through 1<sup>st</sup> stitch on back needle as if to purl, slip stitch off needle.

Pass yarn through next stitch on back needle as if to knit, leave stitch on needle.

Repeat from \* until all stitches are off the needles.

Pull yarn through final stitch and fasten securely.

Weave in ends.