

Flakey Baby Socks

An original design by Anny Purls for Jujube & Lolo



Cute little fair isle socks to fit a 6-12 month old cherub. Knit with worsted weight yarn on size US 6/4.00mm needles, these flakey socks are fun and quick to knit.

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Finished measurements:

Cuff circumference: 5.5"

Cuff to heel: 4.5"

Heel to toe: 5"

Yarn requirements:

Colour A: <25g

Colour B: <25g

{I knit mine from Knit Picks

Swish in Aloe and Bare}

Gauge:

6 sts = 1" in stocking stitch using US 6/4.00mm needles



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1. With colour A, cast on 32 stitches. Using needles 1 size smaller than needles required to get gauge, join to knit in the round and work in 1 x 1 rib (K1, P1 all the way around) placing a marker at the beginning of the row and at the halfway mark (between the 16th and 17th stitches). Continue in rib for 4 rows.
2. Join colour B and knit 1 row. On next row, begin working the snowflake chart (start at the bottom right of the chart). The chart is worked twice on every row.
3. Once you have completed the snowflake chart, you can work a short row heel using colour A or you can try an 'afterthought' heel like I did by knitting the first 16 stitches on a piece of smooth scrap yarn, sliding them back to your left hand needle, and continuing along like nothing happened (you will unpick the yarn later, reveal your heel stitches and knit a toe!)
4. Once your heel is done (or immediately after sliding the stitches back to your left hand needle if using the 'afterthought' heel), work the snowflake chart once more.
5. Once the chart is complete, knit 1 row using colour B and then using colour A, knit a toe (see box below for step by step).

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Knitting a toe...

Row 1: Knit all stitches

Row 2: K2TOG, Knit to 2 stitches before marker, SSK, slip marker, K2TOG, knit to 2 stitches before marker, SSK

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until 10 stitches remain between markers (20 sts total), then knit Row 2 once more (8 sts remain between markers, 16 sts total).

Graft toe closed (or cast off and sew).

6. If you knit in a piece of scrap yarn for an afterthought heel (figures 1 and 2 below), pick it out carefully (figure 3), slipping the revealed stitches on two DPNs (figure 4). You should have 16 stitches on top and 16 stitches on the bottom. Join colour A and work a toe as in step 5. Ta-da!



Fig. 1: Knit in a piece of scrap yarn where you want the top of the heel to begin, slip these stitches back to your left needle and continue knitting normally as if nothing happened ;0)



Fig. 2: This is what it should look like after you knit in the piece of scrap yarn, return the stitches to your left needle and begin working the snowflake chart again for the foot.



Fig. 3: Carefully pick out the scrap yarn (note that I have slipped a DPN through the stitches immediately above and immediately below the scrap yarn...not necessary but might make you feel a bit less nervous about this step ;0)



Fig. 4: Once you have picked out the scrap yarn, you are ready to knit a toe...trust me, it will look and fit just like a heel ;0)