

Skulleigh Ankle Socks



Yarn: Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Superwash Worsted (200yd(182m)/100g, ball band gauge: 20 sts/10 cm US7/4.5mm needle): 1 skein black and a small amount of red

Gauge: 22 stitches/10 cm

Needles: US5/3.5mm

Tips: For M1, I like to do YO and then knit into the back of the stitch on the next round.

Toe:

Cast on 12 stitches, alternating between 2 needles (1st stitch on needle#1, 2nd on needle #2, 3rd on needle #1, etc), holding needles parallel.

R1: Knit around, putting 6 stitches onto needle #1, 3 on needle #2, and 3 on needle #3.

R2: Needle#1: K1, M1, K to last stitch, M1, K1

Needle#2: K1, M1, knit across

Needle#3: K to last stitch, M1, K1

R3: Knit around

Repeat R2 and R3 until 44 stitches are on the needles. Then knit plain until the sock measures about 2 inches (5cm) less than the foot measurement.

Short Row Heel:

This will be worked across the first 22 stitches. Leave the remaining stitches on the needles.

R1: K21, turn (leaving 1 stitch unworked)

R2: YO backwards (wrap yarn in opposite direction), P20, turn (leaving one stitch unworked)

R3: YO (normal), K until you reach the stitch attached to the YO from the last row, turn (3 stitches should be on the left needle).

R4: YO backwards, P18 (again, until you reach the stitch joined to the YO), turn.

Repeat the last 2 rows until there are 11 stitches between YO's, ending with a WS row. Turn to RS.

R1: YO, knit to stitch joined to YO, K1 (joined stitch), turn YO so it is facing the proper direction, K2tog (YO plus the first stitch of the next pair), turn.

R2: YO backwards, purl to first joined stitch, purl that stitch, purl the YO with the first stitch of the next pair, turn.

R3: YO, knit until the first paired stitch, knit that stitch, turn the next two YO's so they are facing the correct direction, K3tog, turn.

R4: YO backwards, purl to next YO, purl 2 YO's with next stitch, turn.

Repeat R3 and R4 until all stitches have been worked. Your last row will have 22 stitches and 1 YO.

YO, knit to YO at end of needle, put YO on next needle and K2tog with first stitch on that needle, work to last stitch before the heel needle, SSK that stitch together with YO on the beginning of heel needle.

Ankle:

Knit two rows plain.

Begin pattern over the 11 stitches on needle #2 (second sock has pattern on the 11 stitches on needle #3), knitting from the bottom of the chart up. Use intarsia in the round technique:

R1: Work both colours, drop CC after working last pattern stitch, finish round with MC.

R2: Knit MC stitches, slip CC stitches. Turn work, twisting 2 yarns together, and purl CC stitches, slipping MC stitches. Slide all worked stitches back to right needle and continue knitting round with MC.

Repeat these 2 rows until pattern is finished.

Knit one row plain with MC.

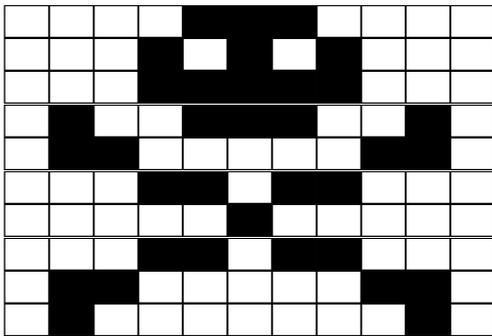
Finish with 3 rows of K1 P1 ribbing.

Cast off:

I used Elizabeth Zimmerman's sewn cast off, it makes a nice stretchy, pretty edge. Cut yarn, leaving a tail about 4 times the circumference of the sock (be careful to make it long enough). Thread a yarn needle.

Sew from right to left through first 2 stitches (as if to purl), leaving stitches on knitting needle. Sew from left to right through first stitch (as if to knit) and slide that stitch to the end of the last needle in the round.

Sew from right to left through next 2 stitches, then from left to right through first stitch and slide that off the needle. Repeat this until all stitches have been worked, weave in tail, and you are done!



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