

## Guitar Man Socks



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*\*Design note: It just so happened that my husband is a musician and the day that I finished these socks for him he also got this new guitar. Thus the reason for the name, it just seemed like the natural thing to do. I hope that you enjoy them as much as he does.*

### Stats

**Finished size:** Men's size 11

**Yarn:** 3 – 50 gr. skeins Meilenweit sock yarn (1302, gray-blue colorway)  
or 150 gr. of sock yarn of your choice

**Needles:** US size 1 (2.5mm) set of 5 dpns (or sockknitting method of choice).  
Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain gauge.

**Gauge:** 8 sts per inch

**Notions:** darning needle, stitch markers, stitch holder

### Stitch Pattern for leg and instep:

Round 1 (RS): \*p1, k10, p1; repeat from \*.

Round 2: \*p2, k8, p2; repeat from \*.

Round 3: \*k1, p2, k6, p2, k1; repeat from \*.

Round 4: \*k2, p2, k4, p2, k2; repeat from \*.

Round 5: \*k3, p2, k2, p2, k3; repeat from \*.

Round 6: \*k4, p4, k4; repeat from \*.

Round 7: \*k5, p2, k5; repeat from \*.

Round 8: \*k4, p4, k4; repeat from \*.

Round 9: \*k3, p2, k2, p2, k3; repeat from \*.

Round 10: \*k2, p2, k4, p2, k2; repeat from \*.

Round 11: \*k1, p2, k6, p2, k1; repeat from \*.

Round 12: \*p2, k8, p2; repeat from \*.

**\*\*Design Note\*\*** *Stitch pattern is from "A Treasury of Knitting Patterns" by Barbara Walker. Used by permission from Schoolhouse Press.*

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### **Cuff:**

Loosely cast on 72 sts., dividing them evenly onto 4 dpns being very careful not to twist sts.

**Round 1:** \*k1tbl, p1; repeat from \*.

**Round 2:** \*k1, p1; repeat from \*.

Continue ribbing for 12 rounds.

### **Leg:**

Repeat stitch pattern 10 times. It may be helpful to place a st. marker between each stitch pattern since it repeats 6 times each round.

### **Heel Flap:**

Place 36 sts on a stitch holder or leave the sts on 2 dpns. Work remaining 36 sts as follows, knitting back and forth on 1 needle.

**Row 1:** \*sl 1 (purlwise), k1 repeat from \*.

**Row 2:** sl 1, purl all sts

Repeat these 2 rows for 3 inches, ending with a RS row.

### **Shape Heel:**

**Row 1(WS):** p19, p2tog, p1, turn

**Row 2 (RS):** sl 1 (purlwise), k3, ssk, k1, turn

**Row 3:** sl 1, p4, p2tog, p1, turn

**Row 4:** sl 1, k5, ssk, k1, turn

**Row 5:** sl1, p6, p2tog, p1, turn

*Continue in this fashion, increasing by 1 the number of sts worked before the decrease in each row, until you have 20 sts, finishing with a right side row, ready to pick up gusset sts.*

### **Instep:**

With RS facing and needle 1, pick up and knit 18 sts along first side of heel flap; then pick up another 2 sts @ the end of the gusset (this is to prevent a hole).

With needles 2 & 3 continue in pattern across instep. With needle 4

pick up 2 extra sts @ the beginning of the gusset, then pick up and knit 18 sts along gusset, then knit across 10 sts along the heel flap (this is needle #4).

Sts on needles are as follows:

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**Needle #1:** 30 sts

**Needle #2:** 18 sts \*remember, you are continuing pattern on the instep sts

**Needle #3:** 18 sts \*remember, you are continuing pattern on the instep sts

**Needle #4:** 30 sts

Before beginning gusset decreasing knit one round (continue pattern on instep), k tbl of the 20 picked up sts on needles #1 and #4, this will tighten these sts.

### Gusset Decreases:

*\*\*Remember...you are continuing in the stitch pattern on the instep sts\*\**

**Round 1:** *Needle 1:* knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1

*Needles 2 & 3:* continue stitch pattern

*Needle 4:* k1, ssk, knit remaining sts

**Round 2:** *Needles 1 & 4:* knit all sts

*Needles 2 & 3:* continue in pattern

Repeat these 2 rounds until you have 18 sts on needles 1 & 4. You now have a total of 72 sts again.

### Foot of sock:

Continue to knit in rounds; *needles 1 & 4: knit; needles 2 & 3: stitch pattern* until sock measures 9 inches or 2 inches shorter than desired length of sock.

### Toe Shaping:

**Round 1:** *Needle 1:* knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1

*Needle 2:* k1, ssk, k remaining sts

*Needle 3:* knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1

*Needle 4:* k1, ssk, k remaining sts

**Round 2:** knit all sts

Repeat these 2 rounds until 40 total sts remain.

Repeat round 1 until 20 total sts remain. Place 10 sts on 2 needles (1 needle on the top or instep side of the sock and 1 needle on the bottom or heel side of the sock) and graft toe together using **Kitchener st.**

Happy Knitting and God Bless!

