

Mock Around the Clock Men's Socks



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*Design Note: This stitch pattern is NOT stretchy like a normal rib stitch pattern which is why I have both increased the # of sts and needle size from those that I normally use when designing men's socks.

Stats

Finished size: Men's size 11

Yarn: 1 skein (100 grams; 465 yards) Opal Crocodile Colorway #16 or 100 gr. of sock yarn of your choice

Needles: Sizes 1 (2.5mm) and 2 (3.0mm) sets of 5 dpns (or sockknitting method of choice). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain gauge.

Gauge: 8.5 sts per inch (size 2)

Notions: darning needle, stitch holder

Mock Rib Pattern for leg and instep:

Round 1 (RS): *p2, k2; repeat from *.

Round 2: *sl 2 wyif; k2; repeat from *.

(sl 2 wyif: slip 2 stitches purlwise while holding yarn in front of needles)

Cuff:

Loosely cast 80 sts. onto the size 1 needles, dividing them evenly onto 4 dpns being very careful not to twist sts.

Rounds 1 – 10: *p2, k2; repeat from *.

WHIMSICAL KNITTING DESIGNS

Leg:

Change to the size 2 (3.0mm) needles and:

Work mock rib stitch pattern for 4.25 inches.

Heel Flap:

Place 40 sts on a stitch holder or leave the sts on 2 dpns. Work remaining 40 sts as follows, knitting back and forth on 1 needle.

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

Row 2: sl 1 (purlwise), purl all sts

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

Shape Heel:

Row 1(WS): p21, 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 22 sts, finishing with a right side row, ready to pick up gusset sts.

Instep:

With RS facing and needle 1, pick up and knit 20 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 the mock rib st. pattern across instep. With needle 4 pick up 2 extra sts @ the beginning of the gusset, then pick up and knit 20 sts along gusset, then knit across 11 sts along the heel flap (this is needle #4).

Sts on needles are as follows:

Needle #1: 33 sts

Needle #2: 20 sts *remember, you are continuing the mock rib pattern on the instep sts

Needle #3: 20 sts *remember, you are continuing the mock rib pattern on the instep sts

Needle #4: 33 sts

Before beginning gusset decreasing knit one round (continue pattern on instep), k tbl of the 22 picked up sts on needles #1 and #4, this will tighten these sts.

Gusset Decreases:

Remember...you are continuing in the mock rib pattern on the instep sts

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

Needles 2 & 3: continue mock rib pattern

Needle 4: k1, ssk, knit remaining sts

Round 2: Needles 1 & 4: knit all sts

Needles 2 & 3: continue mock rib pattern

Repeat these 2 rounds until you have 20 sts on needles 1 & 4. You now have a total of 80 sts again.

WHIMSICAL KNITTING DESIGNS

Foot of sock:

Continue to knit in rounds; *needles 1 & 4: knit; needles 2 & 3: mock rib 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 44 total sts remain.

Repeat round 1 until 24 total sts remain. Place 12 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!

