

Shannon's Slippers



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Stats:

Finished size: Women's 8-9 (stretchy slipper)

Construction: toe up with short row heel

Yarn: SWTC Little Star fingering wt yarn (50 gr/200m [218 yds]) colorway: A23 Tucana OR 50 gr of fingering wt yarn of choice

Gauge: 8 sts/10 sts per inch in St st

Needles: Two - size 1.5 (2.50 mm) 24" circular needles (or sockknitting method of choice). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain gauge.

Notions: darning needle

Using figure 8 (or closed cast on of choice) cast on 36 st

Set up Round: Knit 1 round, distributing sts evenly onto the 2 circs (18 sts per needle).

Begin Increasing:

Round 1: k1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1

Round 2: knit all sts

Repeat these 2 rounds until there are 64 sts.

Then knit even for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

Next Round

Needle 1 - Instep Needle: k5, bind off 22 sts, k5 - 10 sts

Needle 2 - Sole of Sock: K1, k2tog, knit to last 3 sts, ssk, k1 - 30 sts (total of 40 sts)

Reposition remaining 40 sts onto one circular needle and begin knitting back and forth in St st with "ICord" edging as follows:

Row 1 (right side row): k1, sl 1 wyif, k1, k34, k1, sl 1 wyif, k1

Row 2 (wrong side row): sl 1 wyif, k1, sl 1 wyif, p34, sl 1 wyif, k1, sl 1 wyif

Repeat these rows for 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches (or 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch shorter than desired length)

Begin Short Row Heel

Part One - decreasing heel sts:

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Row 1: knit to last st., w&t

Row 2: purl to last st., w&t

Row 3: knit to last st. before wrapped st., w&t

Row 4: purl to last st. before wrapped st., w&t

Continue in this fashion until there are 18 live sts. & 11 wrapped sts. on each side of the live sts.

Part Two - increasing heel sts:

Row 1: knit across 18 live sts to the 1st wrapped st., pick up the wrap with the st. & knit them together, w&t (this st. will now have 2 wraps).

Row 2: purl across to 1st wrapped st., pick up the wrap with the st. & purl them together, w&t (this st. will now have 2 wraps, as will all wrapped sts from here on)

Row 3: knit across to wrapped st., pick up both wraps with the st., knit all 3 together, w&t.

Row 4: purl across to wrapped st., pick up both wraps with the st., purl all 3 together, w&t.

Continue in this fashion (Rows 3 & 4) until you have consumed all of the sts.

Bind off using ICord bind off. When you have reached the last 3 ICord sts begin knitting a simple 3 st. ICord for 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches (or desired length) for the ankle strap. Bind off ICord and sew it to the opposite side of the slipper, thus creating the ankle strap.

I Cord bind off: Cast on 3 sts at the beginning of the row using the cable caston.

K2, k2tog

Slip 3 sts from the right hand needle back onto the left hand needle. The working yarn is going to come from the back of the 3rd st as with any ICord, pull the yarn snugly across the back.

K2, k2tog

Slip 3 sts from RH needle to LH needle and continue in this fashion until 3 ICord sts remain, then continue a regular 3 st ICord for the strap.

Flower (knit 2):

Cast on 35 sts

Row 1: knit

Row 2: kfb of each st - 70 sts

Row 3: kfb of each st - 140 sts

Rows 4 - 7: knit

Bind off sts.

Coil the strip of knitting into a flower shape and tack its shape using a tapestry needle and length of yarn. Securely attach the flower to the slipper with yarn and tapestry needle.

Weave in ends. God Bless and ENJOY!

Stitch Key:

k - knit

p - purl

ssk - slip, slip, knit: slip 1 stitch knitwise, slip next stitch knitwise, knit these sts. Together

k2tog - knit 2 together: knit 2 sts together

kfb - knit into the front and back of stitch

sl 1 wyif - slip st. purlwise while holding working yarn in front of the st

W&T (wrap and turn):

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knit side - bring yarn forward between needles, slip st. from left hand needle to right hand needle; move yarn backward between needles, slip st. back to left hand needle & turn work.

purl side - move yarn backward between needles, slip st. from left hand needle to right hand needle, bring yarn forward between the needles, slip st. back to left hand needle & turn work.



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