

Hearts Abound Baby Socks

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Finished Size 4.5" foot circumference, and 4" foot length from back of heel to tip of toe. Fits baby 6-12 months.

Yarn Jaeger Matchmaker Merino 4 ply (100% Merino Wool 200 yards [50g])
Hyacinth 1 skein, Cream 1 skein.

Needles Size US 3 / 3.25 mm set of 5 double-pointed (dpn). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Notions Tapestry needle

Gauge 8 sts and 10 rows = 1" in St st worked in the rnd

Stitch Guide

Dec'd: Decreased

Dpn: Double-pointed needles

K: Knit

K2tog: Knit 2 stitches together

P: Purl

P2tog: Purl two stitches together

Rnd(s): Round(s)

Rs: Right Side

Sl: Slip stitch

Ssk: Slip 2 stitches individually knitwise. Insert left needle tip into the front of these 2 slipped stitches, and use the right needle to knit them together through their back loops—2 sts are dec'd to 1.

St(s): Stitch(es)

St st: Stockinette Stitch

Ws: Wrong side

Wyb: with yarn in back

Wyf: with yarn in front

Sock

Cuff: Cast on 36 sts and distribute them evenly over 3 dpn: 12 sts on each needle. Place marker (pm) and join for working in the rnd being careful not to twist the sts.

Rnds 1-5: With Color A, work K3, P1 ribbing for 5 rnds.

Leg: Rnd 6: With Color A, knit one rnd.

Begin Color Pattern. Refer to Chart / Written Instructions.

Rnd 7:*With Color A, K1, with Color b, K1, with Color A, K1, with Color B, K1, with Color A, K3, with Color B, K1, with Color A, K1, with Color B, K1, with Color A, K2* rep from * to * 2 more times.

Rnd 8: With Color A, K2, with Color B, K1, *with Color A, K5, with Color B, K1*, rep from * to * 4 more times, then with Color A, K3.

Rnd 9: With Color A knit one round.

Rnd 10: *With Color A, K3, with Color B, K5, with Color A, K4*, rep from * to * 2 more times.

Rnd 11: *With Color A, K4, with Color B, K3, with Color A, K5* rep from * to * 2 more times.

Rnd 12: *With Color A, K5, with Color B, K1, with Color A, K6*, rep from * to * 2 more times.

Rnd 13: With Color A knit one round.

Rnd 14: Repeat Rnd 1.

Rnd 15: Repeat Rnd 2. At the end of this round Drop Color B. You will not be using it again.

Continuing with Color A, knit until piece measures 4" from cast on.

Heel : K9, turn work around and with same needle p18—18 heel sts on one needle. Place rem 18 sts on spare needle or holder to work later for instep.

Heel Flap: Work back and forth on heel sts in rows.

Row 1: (RS) *Sl 1 purlwise with yarn in back (wyb), k1; rep from *.

Row 2: (WS) * Sl 1 purlwise with yarn in front (wyf), purl to end.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until a total of 18 rows have been worked—9 chain selvedge sts.

Turn Heel: Work short-rows.

Row 1: (RS) K 11 sts, ssk, k1, turn work.

Row 2: (WS) Sl 1 purlwise wyf, p5, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 3: Sl 1 purlwise wyb, knit to 1 st before gap made on previous row, ssk (1 st from each side of gap), p1, turn.

Row 4: Sl 1 purlwise wyf, purl to 1 st before gap made on previous row, p2tog (1 st from each side of gap), p1, turn. Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until all heel sts have been worked, ending with a WS row. 12 sts remain.

Gusset: Rnd 1: With right side facing and working with the needle holding the heel sts (Needle 1), knit across all heel sts and pick up and knit 10 sts along selvedge edge of heel flap; with another needle (Needle 2) work across 18 held instep sts; with another needle (Needle 3) pick up and knit 10 sts along other side of heel flap, then knit across first 6 heel sts from Needle 1 again. 50 sts total; 16 sts each on Needle 1 and Needle 3; 18 instep sts on Needle 2. Rnd now begins at center back of heel.

Rnd 2: On Needle 1, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on Needle 2, knit across all instep sts, On Needle 3, k1, ssk, knit to end—2 gusset sts dec'd.

Rnd 3 Knit.

Repeat Rnds 2 and 3 until 36 sts remain—9 sts each on Needle 1 and Needle 3, 18 instep sts on Needle 2.

Foot: Work even until piece measures 3.5" from back of heel or about 1.5" less than desired total foot length.

Toe: Rnd 1: On Needle 1, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on Needle 2, k1 ssk, work to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; on Needle 3, k1, ssk, knit to end—4 sts dec'd.

Rnd2: Knit

Repeat rnds 1 and 2 until 16 sts remain. Rep Rnd 1 only until 8 sts remain. Knit sts from Needle 1 onto Needle 3—4 sts each on 2 needles.

Finishing: Cut yarn, leaving a 10" tail. Using the Kitchener Stitch, graft sts tog. Weave in loose ends. Block.

Kitchener Stitch: Make sure the same number of sts are on each of the two needles. Hold the needles parallel to each other with the right sides of the knitting facing up. Align the sides of the foot. Thread tapestry needle with the 10" yarn tail.



Step 1: Bring tapestry needle through the first st on the first needle as if to purl (right to left). Leave st on needle.

Step 2: Bring tapestry needle through the first st on the back needle as if to knit (from left to right). Leave st on needle.

Step 3: Bring tapestry needle through the first st of the front needle as if to knit and slip this st off the needle. Bring tapestry needle through the next st on the same needle as if to purl and leave this st on needle.

Step 4: Bring tapestry needle through the first st on the back needle as if to purl and slip this st off the needle. Bring tapestry needle through the next st on the same needle as if to knit and leave this st on the needle.

Repeat Steps 3 and 4 until no stitches remain on the needles.

Hearts Abound Baby Sock Chart

