



WOOL-EASE Sportweight Family of Socks



SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

SIZE

Man's (woman's, child's)

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND Wool-Ease Sportweight: 1 ball color of your choice. Shown in the following colors: #152 Oxford Grey (#233 Autumn Print, ##130 Green Heather)
- Set of 5 (five) size 3 (3.25 mm) double-pointed needles OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE

GAUGE

24 sts = 4". BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

M1 (make 1): An increase worked by lifting the horizontal thread lying between the needles and placing it onto the left-hand needle. Work this new stitch through the back loop.

Ssk (slip slip knit) Sl the next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, from the tip of the left needle to the tip of the right needle; insert the left needle into the fronts of these 2 sts from the left and k them tog from this position to dec 1 st.

STITCH PATTERN (6 st repeat)

Rnds 1 & 3 *K 1, p 2, k 3; rep from * around.

Rnd 2 and all even rounds Knit.

Rnds 5 & 7 *K 4, p 2; rep from * around.

Rnd 8 Knit.

						8			
=	=					7			
						6		blank	= Knit
=	=					5			
						4		=	= Purl
			=	=		3			
						2			
			=	=		1			

Legend	
=	= Purl
blank	= Knit

Garter Check Socks

Cast on 48 (48, 36) sts over 4 (4, 3) needles - 12 sts per needle.

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For man's socks, work 1 1/2 " of k1, p1 rib.

For woman's socks, work 6 rnds of St st. Work one rnd of (yo, k2tog) for picot-edged hem, then 6 more rnds of St st.

For child's socks, work 8 rnds of St st, then k2, p2 rib for 1".

Work Stitch Pattern until leg measures 7 (6, 4 1/2)" from beg (picot row, beg of rib).

HEEL FLAP

Adult Socks

Ending with Row 3 or 7 of Pattern Stitch, knit across Needle 1. Turn work.

Row 1 Sl 1, then purl across Needles 1 and 4, placing all sts onto one needle for heel flap.

Row 2 (Sl 1, k 1) across needle.

Rep Rows 1 and 2, complete 25 rows, ending with a purl row and RS facing.

Child's Socks

Ending with Row 3 or 7 of Pattern Stitch, k 9 sts on Needle 1. Move rem 3 sts to Needle 2 and turn work. Slip 1, purl 9 sts plus 9 sts from Needle 3. Move rem 3 sts to Needle 2 and turn work. You now have 18 instep sts on needle 2 and 18 heel flap sts on the other needle. (Note You may wish to divide the 18 instep sts onto 2 needles for ease in knitting.)

Row 1 Turn work, (Sl 1, k 1); rep across heel flap.

Row 2 Turn work, Sl 1, then p 1 across needle.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2, complete 15 rows, ending with a purl row and RS facing.

TURN HEEL

Row 1 Sl 1, k 13 (13, 10), ssk, k 1, turn.

Row 2 Sl 1, p 5, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Row 3 Sl 1, k 6, ssk, k 1, turn.

Row 4 Sl 1, p 7, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Cont in this manner, working one more st before dec on each row until 14 (14, 12) sts rem. Knit across.

GUSSETS

Pick up 12 (12, 8) sts along the side of the heel flap, M1 in loop between heel flap and instep needle, cont Pattern Stitch across 2 (2, 1) instep needle(s), M1 in loop between instep needle and heel flap, pick up 12 (12, 8) sts along other side of heel flap. Divide heel sts between Needles 1 & 4 (1 & 4, 1 & 3). Work 1 rnd knitting M1 sts tog with 1st and last instep sts, maintaining pattern on instep sts.

Rnd 1 (Dec) Knit to 3 sts from end of first needle, ssk, k 1. Work pattern on instep sts. K 1, ssk, knit rem sts on last needle.

Rnd 2 Work even, maintaining pattern on instep sts.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 until heel needles have 12 (12, 9) sts each - total 48 (48, 36) sts.

FOOT

Work around in pattern as est until foot is 1 1/2" less than desired length from back of

heel.

TOE

Adult

Rnd 1 (Dec) Work until 3 sts rem on Needle 1, k2tog, k 1. K 1, k2tog, k rem sts on needle 2. K to last 3 sts on Needle 3, k2tog, k 1. K 1, ssk, k rem sts on Needle 4.

Rnd 2 Knit.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 three times more, then work Rnd 1 only until 4 sts rem on each needle. Combine sts from Needles 1 and 4 on one needle and sts from Needles 2 and 3 on one needle.

Child

Rnd 1 (Dec) Work until 3 sts rem on Needle 1, k2tog, k 1. K 1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k 1 on Needle 2. K 1, ssk, k rem sts on Needle 4.

Rnd 2 Knit.

Rep Rnds 1 and 2 until 8 sts rem on instep needle and 4 sts each on Needles 1 and 3. Combine sts from Needles 1 and 3 onto one needle.

FINISHING

Graft toe sts together as follows: Holding the 2 needles parallel with wrong sides of fabric together, thread a blunt tapestry needle with one of the yarn ends and 1) insert it as if to knit through the first st on the front needle and let the st drop from the needle. 2)

Insert the needle into the second st on the front needle as if to purl and pull the yarn through, leaving the st on the needle. 3) Insert the needle into the first st on the back needle as if to purl and let it drop from the needle, then 4) insert it as if to knit through the second st on the back needle and pull the yarn through, leaving the st on the needle.

Repeat 1-4 until all sts are gone. When finished, adjust tension as necessary.

Woman's socks Fold hem at yo/k2tog row to inside and slip st loosely so sock will slip easily over foot.

ABBREVIATIONS	
beg = begin(ning)	rep = repeat(s)(ing)
cont = continu(e)(es)(ing)	rnd(s) = round(s)
dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)	RS = right side
est = establish(ed)	sl = slip
k = knit	st(s) = stitch(es)
k2tog = knit 2 sts together	St st = stockinette stitch: knit every round
p = purl	tog = together
p2tog = purl 2 sts together	yo = yarn over
rem = remain(s)(ing)	

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