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**SKILL LEVEL:** Intermediate (Level 3)

**SIZE:** Adult Medium  
(8" measured around leg and foot)

**CORRECTIONS:** (applied May 19, 2003)

#### Grafting

Holding the 2 needles parallel with wrong sides of fabric together, thread a blunt tapestry needle with one of the yarn ends and work as follows: Insert needle as if to purl into the first stitch on front piece. Insert needle as if to knit into the first stitch on the back piece. Then follow steps 1-4 as outlined below.

- 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. Weave in ends.

#### MATERIALS

- 310-202 Lion Brand Magic Stripes

Yarn: Sea Blue Stripe

1 Ball

- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch

Markers

- Lion Brand Stitch Holders

- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt

Needles (Set of 6)

- Additional Materials

Size 3 (3.25 mm) double-pointed  
needles (set of 5)

*\*Magic Stripes (Article #310). 75% wool, 25% nylon;  
package size: 3.50oz/100.00 gr. (330yds/300m) pull  
skeins*



#### GAUGE:

28 sts + 40 rows = 4 inches (10 cm) in St st (k every stitch in the round; k on RS, p on WS when knitting flat). When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

Making a Gauge Swatch

#### STITCH EXPLANATION:

**ssk (slip, slip, knit) 1.** Slip the next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle. **2.** Insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and k them tog.

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## SOCKS

### Cuff

Loosely cast on 56 sts. Divide sts evenly onto 4 double pointed needles.

Place marker and join, being careful not to twist sts.

Work in K1, P1 Rib for 1 inches.

Work in St st until piece measures 6" from cast on edge.

Place last 28 sts on a holder (instep sts).

### Heel flap (worked back and forth on 28 heel sts only)

**Row 1** \*Slip 1, k 1; rep from \*.

**Row 2** \*Slip 1, p 1; rep from \*.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 until heel flap measures 2¼" (28 rows), ending with Row 2.

### Turn Heel

**Row 1** K 17, ssk, k 1, turn.

**Row 2** Slip 1, p 7, p2tog, p 1, turn.

**Row 3** Slip 1, k 8, ssk, k 1, turn.

**Row 4** Slip 1, p 9, p2tog, p 1, turn.

**Row 5** Slip 1, k 10, ssk, k 1, turn.

**Row 6** Slip 1, p 11, p2tog, p 1, turn.

Continue in this way, working 1 more st between dec until all 28 sts have been worked, ending with a wrong side row – 18 sts.

Pick up sts for heel gussets as follows: Knit 9 sts; place marker (this is now the end of rnd marker); with another needle, knit 9 sts, pick up 19 sts along edge of heel flap, place marker, (with another needle, knit 14 sts of instep) twice; place marker, with another needle, pick up 19 sts along edge of heel flap, knit rem 9 sts – 84 sts.

### Gusset

**Rnd 1** Knit.

**Rnd 2** Knit to 3 sts before first marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, knit to second marker, slip marker, k1, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until 56 sts remain.

**Note** Keep markers in place for toe shaping.

### Foot

Work even in St st until foot measures 7½" (or 2" less than desired total length).

### Toe shaping

**Rnd 1** Knit to 3 sts before first marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, k1, ssk, knit to 3 sts before second marker, k2tog, k1, slip marker, k1, ssk, knit to end of rnd.

**Rnd 2** Knit.

Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until 20 sts remain.

### Finishing

Knit across first 5 sts of rnd. 10 sts will be for the top of foot and 10 sts will be for the bottom of the foot. Graft remaining stitches together.

#### ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES

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beg = begin(s)(ning)

dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)

k = knit

p = purl

<u>rem = remain(s)(ing)</u>	<u>rep = repeat(s)(ing)</u>
<u>rnd(s) = round(s)</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>St st = Stockinette stitch</u>	<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>
<u>tog = together</u>	<u>WS = wrong side</u>

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