

# A Pair of Hearts Socks



## **Materials:**

1 x 100g ball Patons Australia Patonyle (or other 4 ply (fingering weight) sock yarn

2.25mm set of 5 Double Pointed needles

## **Gauge**

8sts = 1 inch

## **Size**

Women's Medium

## **Right Sock:**

### **Ribbing and Leg:**

Cast on 64 stitches. Join in a ring being careful not to twist. Mark join as the beginning of the round. Divide stitches over 4 needles. (16 sts per needle)

Work in K1, P1 ribbing for 13 rounds.

Knit one round.

Heart Motif will be worked over the first 11 stitches of each round.

Work 11 stitches of chart, then knit plain to the end of the round.

*Heart Motif Chart:*

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O	Yarn Over
/	K2tog
\	SSK
λ	S11, K2tog, PSSO

Work 3 repeats of Heart Motif chart, then 15 rows of chart once.

Next round: Knit across needles one and two, and prepare to work heel on needles 3 & 4.

### **Begin Heel:**

NOTE: Heel is worked in rows on 32 stitches.

Heel Pattern:

Row 1 \*Slip 1, k1 repeat across from \*

Row 2 Slip 1, purl across

Knit in heel pattern until you have 32 heel flap rows. Heel flap shape should be close to square. End with a purl row.



### **Turn Heel as follows:**

Row 1: Sl 1, K17 sts, K2 tog, K1 turn

Row 2: Sl 1, P5 sts, P2 tog, P1, turn

Row 3: Sl 1, K6, K2 tog, K1, turn

Row 4: Sl 1, P7, P2 tog, P1, turn

Repeat rows 3 and 4, increasing 1 additional K or P stitch after the Sl 1 until all side stitches are consumed. End with a purl row.

### **Gusset:**

Knit to the centre of the heel. Using a spare needle, knit across the remaining heel stitches. Pick up and knit 16 stitches from the side of the heel flap and knit one stitch in the gusset corner (Needle 1).

Knit in pattern across needles 2 and 3. Note that at this point, you will be beginning Row 1 of the chart again on the first 11 instep stitches.

With needle 4 pick up and knit one stitch in the gusset corner and then pick up and knit 16 stitches from the side of the heel flap. Knit the remaining heel stitches.

Stitch count is (26, 16, 16, 26) respectively.

### **Gusset Decrease and Sock Foot:**

Rnd 1:

Needle 1: Knit until the last 3 stitches, k2 tog, k1.

Needle 2 and 3: Work in pattern around.

Needle 4: K1, SSK, knit around.

Rnd 2: Work in pattern around.

Repeat these 2 rounds until total stitches equal 64. Transfer stitches as necessary so that you have returned to your original stitch placement. (16, 16, 16, 16).

### **Sock Foot:**

Continue knitting in stocking stitch on needles 1 and 4 and in pattern on needle 2 and 3 until you have completed four more repeats of the Heart motif. (Eight repeats in total from the top of the sock).

This worked out perfectly for my socks, which are approximately a Women's size 7-8.

If you would like your sock to be longer in the foot, you could work them a little longer in plain stocking stitch, or if you would prefer your hearts to be more evenly spaced, you could add an extra plain knit row or two in each pattern repeat.

### **Shape Toe:**

Rnd 1:

Needle 1: Knit until the last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1

Needle 2: K1, SSK, knit around.

Needle 3: Knit until the last 3 stitches, K2 tog, K1

Needle 4: K1, SSK, knit around.

Rnd 2: Knit around

Continue in this manner until you have approximately 36 stitches remaining, then work Round 1 only until 16 stitches remain.

Graft toe closed.

### **Left Sock:**

Work Ribbing as for Right sock, then knit one round.

For the left leg, the motif will be work on the last 11 stitches of needle two.

To begin pattern, knit 21, place marker, then work row 1 of chart. The end of the chart should finish at the end of needle two.

Continue and finish as for Right sock.