

Lake Geneva Socks by Kay Redding



Needles: 1 set of 5 needles, size 1 (2.25mm) or size to give you the gauge to fit your foot.

Yarn: Approximately 416 yards (2 balls) Soxx Appeal or other fingering weight sock yarn

Cast on 64 stitches. Divide on 4 needles (16 stitches on each needle) Put a marker at the beginning of needle 1 (do not use circular markers) Join and work in pattern:

Knit the leg pattern 7 times, or to length you desire. Keep in mind that you may need more yarn for a longer leg.

Leg Pattern:

Rows 1-9: K1, *P2, K2,* to last stitch on each needle, K1.

Row 10: Knit one round.

Row 11: Purl one round.

Row 12: Knit one round.

The Instep Pattern on

the next 12 rows (just before the flap—see photo at right) is as follows:

Rows 1-9

Needle 1: K

Needle 2: K1, *P2, K2* to last stitch on needle, K1.

Needle 3: K1, *P2, K2* to last stitch on needle, K1.

Needle 4: K

Row 10:

K one round

Row 11:

Needle 1: K.

Needle 2: K1, P15.

Needle 3: P15, K1.

Needle 4: K.

Row 12:

K one round.

K 16 stitches on needle 1.

Flap:

Turn and work the following two rows across 32 stitches on needles 1 and 4 for 30 rows. (You may combine these two needles to one for easier knitting)

1. Sl 1, p31, turn.

2. Sl 1, K31, turn.



Turn Heel:

1. P 18 st, P2 tog, P1, turn work
2. Sl first st, K5, K2 tog, K1, turn.
3. Sl 1, work to within 1 st of last turn, P2 tog, P1, turn.
4. Sl 1, work to within 1 st, of last turn, K2 tog, K1.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until all stitches are knit, ending with a knit row. There will be 18 stitches remaining on this needle and you will have just finished a knit row.

With this same needle, PU and K 17 stitches along side of heel.

Combine the next 32 instep stitches onto one needle and with loose needle, knit across these instep stitches. With loose needle, again PU and K 17 stitches along the next side of heel, and with that same needle, K across 9 stitches on the heel. **THIS IS NOW THE BEGINNING OF YOUR ROUND.** Your stitches are now on 3 needles and you have 26 stitches on the first needle, 32 on the second, and 26 on the third.

Knit one round.

Gusset:

Round one:

1. K to within 2 stitches of end of needle, K2 tog.
2. Keeping to the Purl Stripe Pattern, work across 32 instep stitches.
3. Ssk, K to end of needle.

Round two:

1. K.

Continue to work the last two rounds until 16 remain on the first needle, 32 sts on the second needle, and 16 sts on the third needle.

Foot:

Keeping to the *instep pattern*, knit to 1 ½ inches less than your foot measurement, adjusting to get the correct length by adding a few knit rows after the pattern, if the patterning doesn't work out to your exact length.

If you haven't combined needles 2 and 3 (instep), do so now.

Shape Toe:

Round one:

1. K to within 2 sts of end of first needle, K2 tog.
2. Ssk, K to within 2 sts of end of needle, K2 tog.
3. Ssk, k to end of needle.

Round two:

1. K.

Continue to K the last two rounds until you have 32 total stitches left. (8 on the first, 16 on the second, and 8 on the third).

Work the decrease round (Round 1) on *every* round until 20 total sts remain (5 on the first, 10 on the second, and 5 on the third). Knit across 5 stitches on first needle. Kitchener the remaining stitches together.*

***Alternate toe:** Work the decrease round on every round until 8 total sts remain. Break yarn and thread through sts. Tighten and weave in ends.