Basic Sock with Round Toe Pattern

This comfortable basic sock knitting pattern is an excellent choice for you. It works wonderfully with the wide range of self patterning sock yarns that are available. The stocking stitch sock has a ribbed cuff, a well fitting heel flap and turned heel with the shaping of a gusset and finished by a round toe. An excellent choice if you are knitting your first sock.

Materials:

- 100 g of 4 ply sock yarn
- 2.75mm set of 5 double pointed needles (dpn's)
- 3.25mm double pointed needle for casting on
- tapestry needle

Abbreviations:

k - knit; p - purl; ssk - slip, slip, knit; p2tog - purl 2 sts together; sl 1 - slip 1 stitch; st - stitch;

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Cuff and Leg

Cast on 60 sts using the 3.25mm needle. (I always use a larger needle to cast on). On the first row using 2.75mm needles, divide over 4 needles, 15 sts on each. Join into a circle, being careful not to twist the stitches. Work 14 rounds of k1, p1 rib. K 42 rounds (or as long as you want your sock to be).

Heel Flap

Preparation - place the sts from needles 1 and 2 onto one needle (30 sts) then,
Row 1:  k2, (sl 1, p1, across to last two sts), k2, turn
Row 2:  k, turn
Rep these two rows a total of 16 times (32 rows).

Turn Heel

Row 1:  p17, p2tog, p1, turn
Row 2:  sl 1, k5, ssk, k1, turn
Row 3:  sl 1, p6, p2tog, p1, turn
Row 4:  sl 1, k7, ssk, k1, turn
Row 5:  sl 1, p8, p2tog, p1, turn
Row 6:  sl 1, k9, ssk, k1, turn
Row 7:  sl 1, p10, p2tog, p1, turn
Row 8:  sl 1, k11, ssk, k1, turn
Row 9:  sl 1, p12, p2tog, p1, turn
Row 10:  sl 1, k13, ssk, k1, turn
Row 11:  sl 1, p14, p2tog, p1, turn
Row 12:  k16, ssk, k1  (18 sts)
Instep

Pick up and knit 17 sts along side of heel flap, k30 sts across the top of the sock (needles 2 and 3), pick up and knit 17 sts along side of heel flap, then k9 across sole (bottom of sock).
(Needle 1: 26 sts, Needle 2: 15 sts, Needle 3: 15 sts, Needle 4: 26 sts)
K 2 rounds (starting and ending at the centre bottom of sock). On the first round k into back of each of the 17 picked up and knitted sts as this creates a twist in the st and stops any little gaps forming).

Gusset Decreases

Round 1: k to 3 sts before end of needle 1, k2tog, k 1, k30 sts across needles 2 & 3, k1, ssk, k to end of needle 4.
Round 2: k
Rep these rounds until there are 15 sts on each needle.

Foot

Work 42 rounds for UK size 5 or 6, European size 38 or 39.

Round Toe

Evenly spread decreases during the decrease round:

Round 1: k4, (k2tog, k5) 8 times.
K 2 rounds
Round 4: k4, (k2tog, k4) 8 times.
K 2 rounds
Round 7: k4, (k2tog, k3) 8 times.
K 2 rounds
Round 10: (k2, k2tog) 9 times
K 2 rounds
Round 13: (k1, k2tog) 9 times
K 1 round
Round 15: k2tog to end (9 sts)

**Finishing**

Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30 cm) tail. Thread the tail onto the tapestry needle and draw it through the remaining sts. Tighten and fasten off. Weave in ends.