



Materials:

Yarn: 120 (150, 200), 250, 280, (300, 350) yards fingering / sock weight yarn
Needles: US #1 / 2.25mm DPNs (or circular for magic loop)
Notions: stitch markers, needle

Gauge: 8sts x 11rows per inch

sizing:

baby (toddler, child,) lg child, adult S, (M, L)

Finished measurements (unstretched):

Leg Length (adjustable): 2.5 (3.5, 4) 4.5, 5, (6, 7)”

Foot Length (adjustable): 4 (6, 7.25), 8, 9, (10, 11.25)”

September Ankle Socks are a shorter version of September Socks. My oldest daughter requested knit socks for summer because she loves them so much. I just couldn't say no.

I chose to use KnitPicks Hawthorne because it is so sturdy and durable and since she is an 11yr old girl who loves hiking and all things outdoors, that is super important. Short rows are used to make the tab on the ankle. I use a wrap and turn (w&tt) method of short rows but you can use any method that works for you, understanding I will use the w&tt abbreviation for where the short row should be turned.



Model is wearing a ladies small and wears a size 6 shoe.

Abbreviations can be found on the last page.

Cuff

Cast on 40 (44, 52) 56, 60, (64, 72) sts, join for working in the round.

Separate stitches on your dpn as follows:

1st needle 20 (22, 26) 28, 30 (32, 36) sts

2nd and 3rd needle 10 (11, 13) 14, 15 (16, 18) sts each needle

Work in 1x1 rib (k1, p1) for 3 (4, 4) 4, 4, (4, 6) rounds.

Short rows:

Row 1 - Work across 1st needle to 1 st remaining on needle, W&T.

Row 2 - Work across to 1 st remaining on the needle, W&T.

Row 3 - Work across to 1 st before last wrap, W&T.

Row 4 - Work across to 1 st before last wrap, W&T.

Repeat rounds 3 & 4: 1 (1, 2) 2, 2 (2, 3) times.

Next round: Work across cuff in 1x1 ribbing, picking up wraps and working them together with the sts they wrap as you complete this round.

Work in 1x1 rib (k1, p1) for 3 (4, 4) 4, 4, (4, 6) rounds.

Next Round: Fold the cast on edge into the sock, lining up the cast on edge with the current working sts. *Pick up the cast on stitch directly above the current stitch, k2tog, rep from * to the end of the rnd, the stitch count will not change.

Heel Flap

Next round: You will work the heel flap on the next 20 (22, 26), 28, 30, (32, 36), sts. Place the remaining 20 (22, 26), 28, 30, (32, 36), sts on hold.

Row 1 (RS): sl1, knit to end, turn work.

Row 2 (WS): sl1, purl to end, turn work.

Repeat rows 1-2 a total of 8 (10, 12), 13, 14, (16, 18) times.

This is a total of 16 (20, 24), 26, 28, (32, 36) rows.

Heel Turn

Row 1 (RS): sl1, k12 (12, 14), 15, 16, (18, 20), ssk, k1, turn work.

Row 2 (WS): sl1, p7 (5, 5) 5, 5, (7, 7), p2tog, p1, turn work.

Row 3: sl1, knit to 1 st before the gap, ssk, k1, turn work.

Row 4: sl1, purl to 1 st before the gap, p2tog, p1, turn work.

Repeat rows 3-4 until all stitches have been worked: 14 (14, 16), 16, 18, (20, 22) sts remain.

Knit across these heel stitches slipping the first st.



Gusset

Pick up and knit 9 (11, 13), 14, 15, (17, 19) sts along the edge of heel flap, PM, k20 (22, 26), 28, 30, (32, 36), PM, pick up and knit 9 (11, 13), 14, 15, (17, 19) sts along heel flap, k7 (7, 8) 8, 9, (10, 11) sts, mark the new BOR (located at the bottom of the foot). [52 (58, 68) 72, 78, (86, 96) sts]

Round 1: knit

Round 2: knit to 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k1, sm, k20 (22, 26), 28, 30, (32, 36), sm, k1, ssk, knit to end [2 sts dec]

Work rounds 1-2 a total of 6 (7, 8) 8, 9, (11, 12) times. [40 (44, 52) 56, 60, (64, 72) sts]

Foot

Shift beginning of round (BOR) remove marker as follows: remove marker, k10 (11, 13) 14, 15, (16, 18), place marker - this is the new BOR, located at the side of the foot.

Keep the second marker after the instep stitches in place.

Continue working in the round, keeping the top of foot in pattern, until the piece measures 3 (5, 6) 6.5, 7, (8, 9)" from back of heel, or 1 (1, 1.5) 1.75, 2, (2, 2.25)" short of desired foot length.

Toe

Round 1: k1, ssk, knit to 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k2, ssk, knit to 3 sts before end of round, k2tog, k1 [4 sts dec]

Round 2: knit

Work rounds 1-2 a total of 5 (6, 7) 8, 9, (9, 10) times. until 16 (16, 20) 20, 20, (24, 24) sts remain.

Cut yarn leaving a 12" tail, then graft toe using Kitchener stitch.

Weave in all ends

Kitchener stitch:

Place half the stitches on one needle, half the stitches on the other needle, (top and bottom NOT side to side)

Cut yarn (leaving a long yarn tail) and thread through a blunt needle.

Set-up steps: Insert needle purlwise (back to front) through the first st on front needle, leaving the st on the needle. Then insert needle knitwise (front to back) through the first st on the back needle, leaving the st on the needle.

Step 1: Insert needle knitwise through first st on front needle, then slip this st off the needle.

Step 2: Insert needle purlwise through the second st on front needle, leaving the st on the needle.



Step 3: Insert needle purlwise through first st on back needle, then drop this stitch off the needle.

Step 4: Insert needle knitwise through second st on back needle, leaving the st on the needle.

From this point to the end, repeat steps 1-4.

Kitchener stitch can be intimidating, but you get into a rhythm:

Front needle: knitwise drop off, purlwise leave on,

Back needle: purlwise drop off, knitwise leave on,

Repeat!

At the end of the row, there is only 1 stitch left on each needle.

Work steps 1 and 3 once more.



ABBREVIATIONS

k - knit

sm - slip maker

st - stich

k2tog -knit 2 stitches together

ssk - slip next st knitwise, slip next st knitwise, place stitches back onto left needle, knit both slipped sts together

w&t - wrap the yarn around the next stitch, turn work

P - purl

pm - place marker

sts - stitches