



two-tone socks

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Yarn: Two 50g hanks of HiKoo Cobasi in two contrasting colors, A + B [shown here in colors #10 and #47].

Needles: 2.25mm dpn or circular needles, or size to obtain gauge.

Finished Measurements: 11" from top of cuff to base of heel, 10" from back of heel to tip of toe.

Gauge: 40 sts and 48 rows to 4" in k6, p2 rib.

Note: For Abbreviations key visit www.skacelknitting.com. Make 2 socks alike, or reverse the colors.

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Using A, CO 64 sts. Join to work in the round and beginning with K2, work in K2, P2 rib for 3".

Join B and cut A, leaving tail to weave in later.

Work leg in K6, P2 rib, beginning with K6, until leg measures 8" or desired length from top of cuff.

DIVIDE FOR HEEL: Beginning with 6 knit stitches, slip the next 30 sts onto 2 dpn's (or spare circular), and work heel flap on remaining 34 sts.

HEEL FLAP

Row 1: Join in A, but leave B trailing.

With A, sl1 purlwise, purl to end.

Row 2: Sl1 knitwise, (k1, sl1p) to last st, k1.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2, alternating colors every 2 rows, until you have worked 8 stripes of color A (you will have a total of 30 rows for the heel flap).

Using B, work Row 1 once more.

TURN HEEL

Leaving A trailing, turn heel using only B as follows:

Sl1k, k18, ssk, k1, turn. (12 sts remain on L needle)

Sl1p, p5, p2tog, p1, turn. (12 sts remain on L needle)

Sl1k, k6, ssk, k1, turn. (10 sts remain on L needle)

Sl1p, p7, p2tog, p1, turn. (10 sts remain on L needle)

Sl1k, k8, ssk, k1, turn. (8 sts remain on L needle)

Continue in this way, incorporating 2 sts from left needle on every row until there are no more sts left to incorporate. The final row should be a purl row, and you should end up with 20 sts.

INSTEP

(Note: in order to avoid tiny holes where the leg joins the heel flap it is usually necessary to pick up and knit an extra st on each side, next to the M1 st)

Sl1k, knit across 19 remaining sts. Cut B, work instep and foot in A.

Using same needle, pick up each slipped st down first side of heel flap, M1 before first st held on spare needles.

Using second dpn and maintaining 6/2 rib pattern, work across 30 held sts. Using third dpn, M1, pick up each slipped st from other side of heel flap, then 10 sts from first dpn.

You will now have 27 sts on Needles 1 and 3 and 30 sts on needle 2 making a total of 84 sts. You will work the instep by decreasing 2 sts on alternate rounds until you once again have 64 sts, as follows:

Round 1: Needle 1, knit to last 2 sts, p2; Needle 2, (k6, p2) 3 times, k6; Needle 3, p2, knit to end.

Round 2: Needle 1, knit to last 4 sts, k2tog, p2; Needle 2, (k6, p2) 3 times, k6; Needle 3, p2, ssk, knit to end.

Work these two rounds, simultaneously maintaining the 6/2 rib over the foot while decreasing for the instep until 64 sts remain.

Work foot on these sts, maintaining rib pattern on top of foot, to desired length, noting that the toe shaping adds approx 1.5 inches (4 cm) to length of foot.

SHAPE TOE

Cut A and rejoin B. Redistribute sts as follows: 16 sts on Needle 1; next 32 sts on Needle 2; remaining 16 sts on Needle 3.

Working in stockinette, work toe as follows:

Round 1: Needle 1, knit to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2; Needle 2, k2, ssk, knit to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2; Needle 3, k2, ssk, knit to end.

Round 2: Knit.

Repeat these 2 rounds until there are 6 sts on Needles 1 and 3 and 12 sts on Needle 2. Using Needle 3, knit across sts on Needle 1.

You should now have a total of 24 sts, divided evenly onto 2 needles. Graft these stitches together and weave in all ends.

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