

Golf Stocking Knitted Socks

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MATERIALS required.—One pound of knitting yarn and 4 steel knitting needles, No. 14. The knitting should measure 8 stitches to the inch.

Cast on 32 stitches on each of 3 needles, 96 in all.

Work in fine ribbing, 1 plain, 1 purl, for 8 rounds.

Knit 1 round plain.

10th round.—Knit 1, purl 1; repeat to the end.

Repeat the last 2 rounds for 2 ½ inches.

Work 26 rounds of ribbing, 1 plain, 1 purl.

Turn the work inside out and begin the wide rib of the leg thus: Knit 6, purl 2; repeat to the end of the round.

Repeat this round until 6 inches of this rib have been worked.

The shaping of the leg now begins. Knit together the last 2 stitches of the first plain rib and the last plain rib of the round, thus decreasing 2 stitches in the round.

Work 6 rounds without decreasing, remembering to keep the pattern straight as the first and last ribs will be 1 stitch short.

Then decrease in the same way in the second rib and last rib but one of the round. Work 6 rounds without decreasing.

In the next round decrease in the third rib and in the last rib but two.

Work 6 rounds without decreasing.

Continue in this way until every rib is reduced to 5 plain stitches instead of 6.

Work without decreasing until the work measures 10 inches from the welt.

For the heel, place 42 stitches on one needle, and leave the remaining stitches on two needles to wait until they shall be required for the instep.

Knit 1, and purl 1 alternately for the 1st row of the heel.

2d row.—Purl.

Repeat these two rows until 40 rows are worked.

To turn the heel, work 25 stitches in the fine rib, then slip 1, knit 1, pass the slipped stitch over, turn; * purl 9, purl 2 together, turn; work 9 stitches in the rib, slip 1, knit 1, pass the slipped stitch over, turn; repeat from * until all the side stitches are worked in.

With the heel-needle, pick up and knit 20 stitches down the side of the heel-flap; with the second needle knit across the instep in the wide rib, with the third needle pick up 20 stitches on the other side of the heel-flap and knit off half the heel-stitches.

Knit two rounds, keeping the rib straight on the instep-needle and working the other two needles plain.

3d round.—Knit to within 2 stitches of the end of the first needle, knit 2 together; rib across the instep, slip the first stitch of the third needle, knit the next stitch, pass the slipped stitch over, knit to the end of the round.

Repeat the last 3 rounds until there are 20 stitches on each of the 2 heel-needles.

Work without decreasing until the work measures 7 ½ inches from the back of the heel if a 10 ½-inch foot is required, or 8 inches if an 11-inch foot is required.

1st round of toe.—Knit to within 3 stitches of the end of the 1st needle, knit 2 together, knit 1, knit the first stitch of the 2d needle, slip 1, knit 1, pass the slipped stitch over, knit to within 3 stitches of the end of this needle, knit 2 together, knit 1; knit the first stitch of the 3d needle, slip 1, knit 1, pass the slipped stitch over, knit to the end of the round.

Knit 2 rounds without decreasing.

Repeat the last 3 rounds 3 times more. Then decrease in every other round until the stitches are reduced to 24; 6 on the 1st needle, 12 on the 2d, and 6 on the 3d needle.

Knit to the end of the first needle and put the heel-stitches on to one needle.

Join the toe as follows: Break off the wool, leaving a long end, which thread in a tapestry needle. Put the wool-needle into the first stitch of the front needle as if about to knit; draw the wool through, slipping the stitch off the needle; put the wool-needle into the next stitch as if about to purl, draw the wool through, leaving the stitch on the knitting needle; take the wool under the front needle and insert it as if about to purl into the first stitch of the back needle, draw the wool through, slipping the stitch off the needle; put the wool-needle into the next stitch as if about to knit and draw through, leaving the stitch upon the needle; take the wool back to the front needle, and repeat the process from the beginning until all the stitches are worked off. Darn the end of the wool in, and press the stockings under a damp cloth.