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# MINI CHRISTMAS STOCKING

*This lovely little stocking is knitted in the round using the same technique as for any sock. Perfect for the festive season.*

## Yarn

Stylecraft Batik, 1 ball in shade copper

## Needles

3.75mm or 4mm DPNs

## PATTERN

Cast on 24 sts and join to knit in the round being careful not to twist the sts

**Round 1:** (k1, p1) repeat to the end of the round. Repeat round 1 three more times.

Knit 16 rounds

### Heel flap

**Next row:** (Sl1, k1) repeat 5 more times. (12sts)

Leave remaining sts on their needles.

**Next row:** Purl all sts

Repeat these two rows until the heel flap is approximately square.

### Turn the heel

**Next round:** Sl1, k6, k2tog tbl, k1

**Next round:** Sl1, p3, p2tog, k1

**Next round:** Sl1, k4, k2tog tbl, k1

**Next round:** Sl1, p5, p2tog, k1. (8sts)

### Gusset

**Next round:** Sl1, k3 sts, place stitch marker to mark the start of the round (now called SM1), k4, pick up sts down the side of the heel flap, pick up one st from gusset, place maker (now called SM2), k12, place maker (now called SM3), pick up one st from gusset, pick up sts up the other side of the heel

flap, k4. You should now be back at SM1.

**Next round:** K to 2 sts before SM2, k2tog, slip marker, knit to SM3, slip marker, ssk, knit to end of the round.

Repeat this round until you once again have 24 sts.

Knit 12 rounds.

### Toe shaping

**Round 1:** (k4, k2tog) repeat until the end of the round. (20sts)

**Round 2:** (k3, k2tog) repeat until the end of the round. (16sts)

**Round 3:** (k2, k2tog) repeat until the end of the round. (12sts)

**Round 4:** (k1, k2tog) repeat until the end of the round. (8sts)

**Round 5:** (k2tog) repeat until the end of the round. (4sts)

Break yarn and thread through remaining stitches pulling tight.

Sew in all ends.

If you would like to donate some stockings to our Christmas Stocking appeal please send them to UK Hand Knitting, 60 Bridge Road East, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 1JU or drop them in to our stand at The Knitting and Stitching show.



# STANDARD KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

<b>C4B</b>	place next 2 sts on cable needle and hold to back, k2, k2 from cable needle
<b>C4F</b>	place next 2 sts on cable needle and hold to front, k2, k2 from cable needle
<b>cm</b>	centimetre(s)
<b>cont</b>	continue
<b>dec</b>	decreas(e)ing
<b>foll(s)</b>	follow(s)ing
<b>in</b>	inch(es)
<b>inc</b>	increas(e)ing
<b>K</b>	knit
<b>M1</b>	make 1 sts, by lifting yarn before next st on to left needle and knitting into back of loop
<b>P</b>	purl
<b>patt</b>	pattern
<b>Pm</b>	place marker
<b>rem</b>	remain(ing)
<b>rep</b>	repeat
<b>RS</b>	right side
<b>Sl</b>	slip st
<b>Sm</b>	slip marker
<b>Ssk</b>	sl1 knitwise, sl1 knitwise, k the two slipped sts tog tbl
<b>St(s)</b>	stitch(es)
<b>St st</b>	stocking stitch
<b>tbl</b>	through back of loop
<b>Tog</b>	together
<b>WS</b>	wrong side.

## Crochet Abbreviations (UK)

<b>Ch</b>	chain
<b>cm</b>	centimetre(s)
<b>cont</b>	continue
<b>Dc</b>	double crochet
<b>dc2inc</b>	dc two stitches into stitch below
<b>dc2tog</b>	double crochet next 2 sts together
<b>dc3tog</b>	double crochet next 3 sts together
<b>dec</b>	decreas(e)ing
<b>foll(s)</b>	follow(s)ing
<b>htr</b>	half treble
<b>in</b>	inch(es)
<b>patt</b>	pattern
<b>rem</b>	remain(ing)
<b>rep</b>	repeat
<b>RS</b>	right side
<b>Sp</b>	space
<b>Ss</b>	slip stitch
<b>St(s)</b>	stitch(es)
<b>tbl</b>	through back of loop
<b>tr</b>	treble
<b>WS</b>	wrong side.