



# Basic DK Socks

## **Yarn**

DK yarn at least 75% wool

150g

## **Tension**

**Needles:** 3.5 mm

**Size:** To fit size 8-11 foot UK

## **Abbreviations:**

**K** = knit

**P** = purl

**st(s)** = stitch(es)

**p2tog** = purl two sts together

**ssk** = slip 2 sts and knit together through back of loop

## **Pattern**

Using 3.5mm needles cast on 56 stitches divide them over 4 dpns. Join to work in the round being careful not to twist the stitches. Work in rib as follows:

**Round 1:** P1 \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last 3 sts, k2, p1. Repeat this round 15 times more or until cuff is 18cm.

### **Heel Flap**

The heel flap is worked flat, back and forth over half the stitches. Leave the remaining stitches on the other dpns. You will be working the heel flap across the stitches you have just finished knitting.

Arrange the next 28. Turn your work so the wrong side is facing you.

**Row 1 (WS):** Sl1, p27

**Row 2 (RS):** \*Sl1, k1, rep from \* to end of needle and turn.



Repeat these two rows 13 times more. The heel flap should have 28 rows and should be roughly square.

### **Heel Turn**

**Row 1 (WS):** Sl1, p14, p2tog, p1 and turn.

**Row 2 (RS):** Sl1, k3, ssk, k1 and turn.

**Row 3 (WS):** Sl1, p to 1st before the gap, p2tog, p1 and turn.

**Row 4 (RS):** Sl1, k to one st before the gap, ssk, k1 and turn.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 to continue shaping until you have worked all the stitches from the heel flap.

Now divide the heel flap sts evenly on 2 needles so that you have 8 on each. These will now be called needles 1 and 4.



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## Gusset

**Needle 1:** Pick up and knit 14 sts down the side of the heel flap.

**Needle 2:** P1 \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last st, k1.

**Needle 3:** K1 \*p2, k2, repeat from \* to last st, p1.

**Needle 4:** Pick up and knit 14 stitches up the side of the heel flap. Knit across the remaining 8 sts.

### Round 1

**Needle 1:** Knit down the side of the heel flap until you are 3 sts away from the end of the needle, k2tog, k1,

**Needle 2:** P1 \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last st, k1.

**Needle 3:** K1 \*p2, k2, repeat from \* to last st, p1.

**Needle 4:** K1, ssk and knit to the end of the round.

### Round 2

**Needle 1:** Knit all sts

**Needle 2:** P1 \*k2, p2, repeat from \* to last st, k1.

**Needle 3:** K1 \*p2, k2, repeat from \* to last st, p1.

**Needle 4:** K all sts

Repeat these two rounds until you have 14 sts on each needle. Then continue without any more decreasing until the foot measures around 23cm, 9in.

## Toe

### Round 1

**Needle 1:** Knit to the last 3 stitches, k2tog, k1,

**Needle 2:** k1, ssk, knit to the end of the needle,

**Needle 3:** As needle 1,

**Needle 4:** As needle 2.

### Round 2:

Knit all needles round.

Repeat these two rounds 3 more times. 10 sts on each needle.

Now repeat round 1 until you have 4 sts on each needle. Knit the stitches on needle 1 again.

Cut the yarn, leaving a tail of 25cm, 9¾in and graft stitches together using Kitchener stitch. Weave in ends from the toe and cuff.

## Tube socks pattern

Cast on 56 sts and work in 2x2 rib for 50cm. Either work toe as described or cast off and sew the end closed.