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I knit the model for these socks in Aurora Biberon. At 64 stitches, they are too large for an average woman's foot. If you use this yarn, I suggest you alter the number of cast on stitches to correspond with your gauge. I have adjusted the materials list to use yarn that would better suit the number of cast on stitches. Also note that the inherent spiral construction of socks causes the purl rows of the stitch pattern to be skewed slightly at the beginning of a new row. This would be more obvious with a solid colored yarn.

Construction: Top Down with 2 circular needles.
 Gauge: 8 stitches per inch
 Needle Size: US 1 / 2.50 mm
 Materials: 2 skeins sock weight yarn

Pattern:

Ribbing and Leg:

Cast on 64 stitches. Join in a ring being careful not to twist. Divide stitches over 2 needles (32,32). Begin knitting with K2, P2 or your desired ribbing pattern and knit circularly for approximately 1 1/2 inches.

Beginning with Needle 1, knit in leg pattern until desired leg height is reached.

This pattern calls for a repeating motif of 4 stitches and 8 rows.

1	1	1	1	8
1	1	1	1	7
1	1	1	1	6
1	1	1	1	5
1	1	1	1	4
1	1	1	1	3
1	1	1	1	2
1	1	1	1	1
4	3	2	1	

R1: P

R2-4: *Slip 1 purlwise with yarn in back, K3*

R5: P

R6-8: *K2, Slip 1 purlwise with yarn in back, K1*

Repeat these 8 rows

Abbreviations:



Slip 1 purlwise with yarn in back.

Begin Heel:

NOTE: Heel is worked in rows on 32 stitches.

Heel Pattern:

Row 1 Slip 1, *k1, slip 1 repeat across from *

Row 2 and 4 Slip 1, purl across

Row 3 Slip 1, *slip 1, k1 repeat across from * until the last 2 stitches, k2.

Knit in heel pattern until you have 32 heel flap rows. Heel flap shape should be close to square.

Turn Heel as follows:

Row 1: Sl 1, K17 sts, K2 tog, K1 turn

Row 2: Sl 1, K5 sts, SSK, K1, turn

Row 3: Sl 1, K6, K2 tog, K1, turn

Row 4: Sl 1, K7, SSK, K1, turn

Repeat rows 3 and 4, increasing 1 additional K stitch after the Sl 1 until all side stitches are consumed.

Gusset:

Rnd 1: With needle 1, knit across heel flap. Pick up and knit 16 stitches from the side of the heel flap plus knit one stitch in the gusset corner. Knit in pattern across needle 2.

Rnd 2: Using a spare needle, pick up one stitch in the gusset corner and 16 stitches from the side of the heel flap. Using needle 1, knit these stitches. Knit the remaining stitches on needle 1 and knit in pattern across needle 2. Stitch count is (53, 32) respectively.

Gusset Decrease and Sock Foot:

Rnd 1:

Needle 1: K1, SSK, knit until the last 3 stitches k2 tog, k1.

Needle 2: Work in pattern around, except the first and last stitch on the instep are now K's instead of P's.

Rnd 2: Work in pattern around, making the same P to K change as in Rnd 1.

Repeat these 2 rounds until total stitches equal 64. (32, 32)

Sock Foot:

Continue knitting in stockinette on needle 1 and in pattern on needle 2 (if desired) for three repetitions of pattern chart or until you are approximately 1 1/2 to 2 inches from the top of your longest toe. Purl one row around.

Shape Toe:

Rnd 1:

Needle 1: K1, SSK, knit until the last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1

Needle 2: K1, SSK, knit until the last 3 sts, k2 tog, k1.

Rnd 2: P around

Continue in this manner until you have approximately 24 stitches remaining or until sock has your desired toe shape. Graft toe closed.

An error was corrected on this pattern on 1/22/06. The written directions for the stitch pattern was fixed. The chart is correct.

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