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Socks the Cat

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Designed by Michele Wilcox.

Cat stands 7" tall.

RED HEART® "Heart & Sole® with Aloe": 1 ball 3955 Mellow Stripe.

Knitting Needles: 3.5mm [US 4]. Yarn needle; stuffing; two 8mm animal eyes; black and ecru Pearl Cotton.

GAUGE: 6 sts = 1"; 7 rows = 1" in Stockinette st. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

CAT

Head and Body Beginning at top of head, cast on 20 sts. Row 1 (Right Side): Knit. Row 2: Purl. Row 3: K in front and back of each st across – 40 sts. Rows 4-30: Beginning with P row, work even in St st. Row 31: [K1, K2tog] 13 times, K1 – 27 sts. Rows 32-46: Beginning with P row, work even in St st. Row 47: K12, [K in front and back of next st, K1] twice, K11 - 29 sts. Rows 48, 50, 52: Purl. Row 49: K13, [K in front and back of next st, K1] twice, K12 - 31 sts. Row 51: K14, [K in front and back of next st, K1] twice, K13 – 33 sts. Row 53: K15, [K in front and back of next st, K1] twice, K14 - 35 sts. Rows 54-56: Beginning with P row, work even in St st. **Row 57:** K15, [K2toq, K1] twice, K14 – 33 sts. Row 58: P14, [P2tog, P1] twice, P13 - 31 sts. Row 59: K13, [K2tog, K1] twice, K12 – 29 sts. Row 60: P12, [P2tog, P1] twice, P11 - 27 sts. Rows 61-64: Work even in St st. Bind off.

FINISHING

Sew center back seam. With seam at center, sew across top of head. Insert eyes. Stuff from bottom, then sew seam across bottom like top.

To make legs, sew with back stitch through all layers from center bottom of cat up $1\frac{3}{4}$ ".

Pinch each side of top of head to form ear; sew diagonally across through both thicknesses to make ear.

With black Pearl Cotton, embroider satin st nose and straight stitch mouth. With ecru Pearl Cotton, knot whiskers on each side of nose.

Tail

Cast on 6 sts. **Row 1 (Right Side):** Knit. **Row 2:** Purl. **Row 3:** K in front and back of each st across – 12 sts. **Rows 4-34:** Beginning with P row, work even in St st. Bind off.

Sew seam and stuff. Flatten open end and sew along Cat back seam above legs.



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Arm (Make 2)

Cast on 6 sts. Repeat Rows 1-16 same as for Tail. Bind off. Sew seam and stuff. Flatten open end and sew an arm at each side of Cat.



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ABBREVIATIONS: K = knit; mm = millimeters; P = purl; St st = Stockinette stitch (Knit on right side rows; Purl on wrong side rows.); st(s) = stitch(es); tog = together; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.



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