# MY FAVORITE SOCK PATTERN RELOADED

TOE UP SOCKS WITH GUSSET HEEL CONSTRUCTION



A FREE RECIPE
FOR TOE-UP
CONSTRUCTION, BY
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The socks in this recipe feature the stitch pattern of <u>Hermione's Everyday sock pattern</u> by Erica Lueder.

This stitch pattern is perfect for socks because of the very simple knit&purl pattern that has such a beautiful impact, never bores you and that hugs the feet perfectly.

In this recipe I am using a toe up construction with a gusseted heel (both toe and heel are in done in contrast colour) since I like both the quick and easy way to do these socks and the possibility to use up all of your yarn by weighting and halving the amount you have!

If you want to make a pair in another size (this recipe is worked for European shoe size 38) you need to adapt the stitch count to the one you normally use in socks for your size. You can also use a different stitch pattern or just work plain Stockinette stitch.

# MATERIALS:

Yarn: Any kind of sock-yarn: toe, heel & cuff in one colour (CC). The rest of the sock in variegated yarn (MC).

Needles: 2mm DPN's.

### TOF:

CO 14x2 sts with <u>Judy's Magic Cast On</u> in CC yarn and increase immediately on the first row (it will be very fiddly to do this). You should also distribute your sts on 4 DPNs directly on the **SET-**

Needle1: K1, kfb, knit 6 sts more.\* Needle2: Knit to last st, kfb.

Needles 3&4: Repeat as for needles 1&2.

RND 2: Knit one row

\*(I use a variation of the kfb stitch that avoids the purl bumps and you can see find it in my tutorials or here.)

For all next rnds work the following pattern:

RND1: (k1, kfb, knit to last sts on next needle, kfb) repeat

RND2: knit one row

repeat these two rounds 9 times until you get to 64sts for toe.

Change to MC, knit one round and start the stitch pattern only on needle 1 & 2 (the instep) and work the rest in Stocking sts:

Hermione stitch pattern:

RND 1: k3, p1 RND 2: knit RND 3: k1, p1, k2 RND 4: knit

Repeat from rnd 1-4.

Work until sock is 3.5 inches less than the length of your foot from toe to heel (in my case, for a 38 European shoe size, I worked 14 pattern repeats / 5,5 inches).

# GUSSET INCREASES:

Continuing the pattern on needle 1 & 2 (instep), work gusset increases on needle 3 & 4 (insole) only.

RND 1: K1, place marker, M1L, k30, M1R, pm, k1

RND 2: Knit to end of rnd.

RND 3: K1, M1L, slip marker, k32, slm, M1R, k1

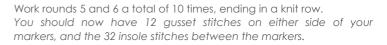
RND 4: Knit to end of rnd.

RND 5: K1, M1L, knit to marker, slm, k32, slm, knit to last stitch,

M1R. k1

RND 6: Knit to end of rnd.





### HEEL

Knit in pattern across the instep. You will now be working back & forth on the insole needles only with the contrast colour. I am using the <u>german short row method</u> in this section, but you can use any short-row method you prefer:

Row 1: Slip 12 sts purlwise\*, slm, k to marker with CC yarn, turn.
\*Note: if you don't use a contrast colour for the heel you can knit these 12sts with MC yarn instead of slipping them.

Row 2: Slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front, pull yarn to back to make double st, bring yarn to front under needle and pull. purl to marker, turn

Row 3: Slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front, pull yarn to back to make double st, knit to last double st, turn.

Row 4: Slip+pull as in row 2, purl to double st from row before, turn. Repeat rows 3 & 4, 6 times, until you have 17 sts left in between the double sts (or half of the insole sts that were between the markers at the gusset section + 1 stitch).

Row 17: Slip+pull, k16, DO NOT TURN.

Work the 8 short row stitches that are on your left needle by knitting both loops of the double st as one.

Then pick up the first gusset stitch as such: Remove marker, Slip1 to right needle, pass next to last stitch on right needle over the slipped stitch, turn.

Row 18: Slip1, p 23sts, work all 8 double sts (purl both loops of the double st as one), remove marker, slip 1 to right needle, pass next to last stitch on right needle over the slipped stitch, turn.

Row 19: Slip1, k 31sts, slip1 to right needle, pass next to last stitch on right needle over the slipped stitch, turn.

Row 20: Slip 1, p 31sts, slip 1 to right needle, pass next to last stitch on right needle over the slipped stitch, turn.

Repeat rows 19 and 20 until all the gusset stitches have been worked. Cut CC yarn.

# \_EG:

With the MC yarn, work the pattern again on needle 1&2. On needle 3&4 knit to end of the rnd only once, over the heel (to avoid purl bumps in the contrast colour).

Continue working the pattern on all needles in the rnd for 4,5 inches (or 16 pattern repeats).

**CUFF** in contrast colour:

1 round knit.

K2, p2 ribbing for 20 rounds.

(The leg will be 6 inches in total with cuff).