

## EASY PEASY SOCK PATTERN

### Opal Sock Yarn

“the Yarn with the Built-in Design”

1 x 100gram ball Opal yarn knits 2 socks

#### Needles:

1 x set of double pointed needles @ 15cm long

Loose knitter                   2.25mm

Average knitter               2.50mm

Tight knitter                   2.75mm

Note: Needle 1, 2 & 3 will change for each sequence, the stitches are dividing, decreasing and increasing. It is impossible to keep the same numbers throughout. Sl1 = slip 1 stitch.

#### SOCK TOP

Cast on 60sts.

Rib K1, P1, across 60sts as follows:

Needle 1       Rib 20

Needle 2       Rib 20

Needle 3       Rib 20

You have done your first round, joining the 3rd and 1st needle together.

Rib 19 more rounds (20 rounds in total)

Change to stocking stitch (all rounds knit) for 40 rounds. Or, work all 20 + 40 rounds (total 60) in Rib. This will give a more sporty look to the sock.

#### HEEL FLAP

Starting the next round.

Knit 20 stitches across 1<sup>st</sup> needle and on same needle knit 10sts from the 2<sup>nd</sup> needle, turn and purl back on these 30sts.

Slip 5sts from the 3<sup>rd</sup> needle onto the 2<sup>nd</sup> needle. Now you have 30sts on the 1<sup>st</sup> needle for the heel flap and 15sts each on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> needle.

On the first 30sts continue knitting for 21 rows in stocking stitch. (Knit 1 row, Purl 1 row).

Finish on a knit row. Turn.

#### TURNING THE HEEL

Don't worry, if this is the first time, its going to be o.k. Just take everything step by step.

P19 across heel flap, P2 tog, Turn.

Sl1, K8, Sl1, K1, pss0, Turn.

Sl1 purl wise, P8, P2 tog, Turn.

Sl1, K8, Sl1, K1, pss0, Turn.

Repeat the last two rows until the last row is Sl1, K8, Sl1, K1, pss0 = 10sts remaining.

## STARTING THE ROUNDS FOR THE HEEL

First side of the heel:

1<sup>st</sup> needle - pick up 19sts along the first side of the heel.

2<sup>nd</sup> needle - slip next 30sts (15 + 15) onto one needle. Knit across 30 sts

3<sup>rd</sup> needle pick up and knit 19sts on the other side of the heel flap.

Arranging the stitches onto the 3 needles:

Continue across heel flap, Knit 5 onto the same needle (19 + 5 = 24sts)

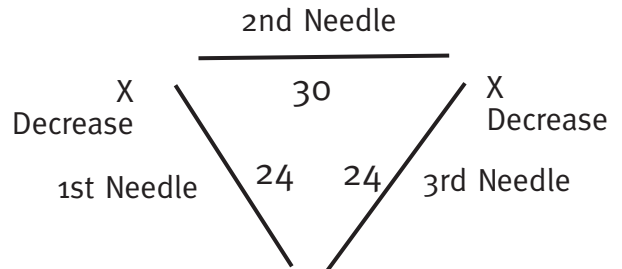
Slip the last 5sts onto the next needle. (5 + 19 = 24sts)

Knit across 24sts on the next needle

Knit across 30sts

Knit across 24sts on the next needle.

You will have 78sts = 24, 30, 24



## SHAPING THE HEEL FLAP

Decrease Round

1<sup>st</sup> needle - Knit 21sts, K2 tog, K1

2<sup>nd</sup> needle - Knit across 30sts

3<sup>rd</sup> needle - K1, Sl1, K1, pssso, Knit to end of round.

You have now done a decrease round. Knit 1 round.

Knit 20, K2 tog, K1, Knit 30sts, K1, Sl1, K1, pssso. Knit to end. Knit 1 round.

Continue on these two rounds – 1 decrease round and 1 plain round until you have 60sts left.

You will have 15sts on two of the needles & 30sts on the other. 15, 30, 15 (Total of 60sts)

## TO KNIT THE FOOT LENGTH

Knit 35 rounds and 45 or more rounds for a large sock. From here to the end of the toe is approx. 3cm. Finish at the end of the 3rd needle.

## TOE SHAPING

Start on the 1st needle of 15sts. Knit to last 3sts, K2 tog, K1.

Next needle of 30sts. K1, Sl1, K1, pssso, Knit to last 3sts, K2 tog, K1

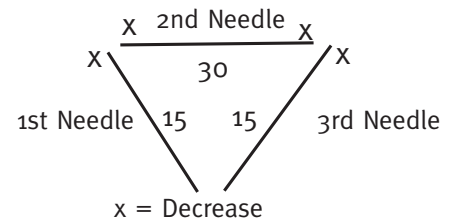
Next needle of 15sts. K1, Sl1, K1, pssso, Knit to the end.

You have now done a decrease round.

Repeat the last round until a total of 24sts remain.  $6 + 12 + 6 = 24$

Knit 6sts across 1<sup>st</sup> needle, slip these 6 onto the other needle holding 6sts. You will have 12sts on each needle.

Break the yarn 60cm from the end. Slide 12sts from 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> needle onto a safety pin. Slide the other 12sts onto a safety pin. Turn work inside out.



## JOINING THE TOE

Slide the stitches from each safety pin back onto two needles. We can cast off the stitches and join the toe seam at the same time.

Lie the two needles side by side.

Knit a stitch off each needle at the same time as follows...

Put the needle through the front of the 1st stitch on the front needle and the 1st stitch on the back needle. Knit as usual, slipping both loops off together. Knit one more stitch in the same way.

Cast off one stitch in the usual way (1 stitch over the other on the right hand needle.)

Continue to work across the row until all stitches are cast off. Darn the thread through the last stitch and finish thread by running across the inside of the knitting for 3cm.

Darn off the stitch at the top of the sock, neaten the join as you do this.

***Great! Your designer sock is finished . . .  
now enjoy knitting the other one!***