

Le Lot

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If you are knitting this pair of women's socks you can be sure not to be bored. Lace pattern, seed stitch, plain stockinette and all that zigzagging over the sock. To create even more interest the pattern of left and right sock is mirrored and the lace part crosses a bit into the sole part. The lace part goes through the cuff, so you have a very airy summer sock.

Materials: ca. 80g 4ply sock wool
(cotton blend)

2 circular needles US #00/ 1,75
mm (If you prefer you can use one circ
and knit with the „Magic Loop“
technique or knit with a set of dpns. Since
I'm knitting quite loosely most people will
have to go up one needle size, so please
swatch and compare gauge.)

1 Tapestry needle

Gauge in stockinette: 31 stitches/
45 rows = 10 cm/ 4 inch

Size: (German) 39/40

The socks are knitted toe up.

CO 20 stitches, 10 on each needle,
then knit every stitch once.

(I started with „figure 8“ but you can use
any technique you like as long as they
result in stitches „facing“ each other
back to back. 10 stitches face up, 10
stitches face down.)

Toe: Stitches for the shaping are added between the first and second stich and again between the last and the last but one stitch on each needle. (Use any technique of your choice.)

You start adding stitches directly in round 1 and then every other rd (3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25).

Now you have 36 stitches on each needle, makes 72 stitches all together.

The stitches on needle 1 will make the sole, the stitches on needle 2 the upper part.

Now use the different instructions/ charts for left and right sock accordingly:



Foot left sock:

Work the stitches of needle 1 in stockinette except for those stitches that have a blue background on the chart.

For needle 2 work according to the chart from right to left:

				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-					20	
				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v					19
				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v					18
				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-					17	
				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-					16	
				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v					15
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				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-					13	
				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-					12	
				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v					11
				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v					10	
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				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-					8	
				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v					7
				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v					6	
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				v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-					4	
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				Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v					1

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All stitches with a white background are worked on needle 2 and will be on the back of the foot later. The stitches with a blue background are the first stitches of needle one, so they will be on the sole. Therefore the pattern is not restricted to the back of the foot but will move a bit to the sole. Empty fields in the chart are knit stitches.

The foot is knitted over 62 rounds, so you have to repeat the pattern three times and then again row one and two of the pattern..

Foot right sock:

Knit as left sock, using the following chart:

v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					20		
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	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					18		
	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					17		
		v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					16		
		-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					15	
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			v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					13	
				v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					12	
				-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					11
				-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					10
				v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					9
				v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					8	
				-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					7
				-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					6
				v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					5	
				v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					4	
				-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					3
				-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	Λ	o	Λ	o	v					2
				v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o	v	-	v	-	v	-	v	v	v	v	-	v	-	v	-	Λ	o	Λ	o	Λ	o					1	

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Again the white fields stand for the stitches on needle 2, the blue ones for stitches on needle 1, so in some rounds the pattern already starts on the last stitches of needle 1.

The foot is knitted over 62 rounds, so you have to repeat the pattern three times and then again row one and two of the pattern..

Heel: The heel is worked with short rows over needle 1. You now have 36 stitches on the needle for the heel. Continue in rows, working short rows..

- k36, turn work.
- Turnstitch, p35, turn,
- Ts, k34, turn,



Ts, p33, turn,
 Ts, k32, turn,
 Ts, p31, turn,
 Ts, k30, turn,
 (...)
 Ts, p17, turn,
 Ts, k16, turn,
 Ts, p15, turn,
 Ts, k14, turn,
 Ts, p13, turn,
 Ts, k12.

Work one round over all stitches, knit needle 1 and work pattern round 3 on needle 2. **(Don't forget to choose the correct chart for left and right sock!)**

Finish the heel on needle 1:

k 25,turn,
 Ts, p13, turn,
 Ts, k14, turn,
 Ts, p15, turn,
 Ts, k16, turn,
 Ts, p17, turn,
 Ts, k18, turn,
 (...)
 Ts, k32,turn,
 Ts, p33, turn.
 Ts, k34, turn,
 Ts, p35, turn

(„Turnstitches“ are something you make to prevent holes on the turningpoints. I am using a method from the German webside from Junghans-wool: You slip a stitch as if to purl. The working yarn is at the front. Then you pull the yarn very strong to the back, the stitch will be torn to the back and there will be two loops on the needle, looking as if there were two stitches. When you knit or purl that stitch later you knit those two loops as if you would knit(purl) two together. Since it is only one stitch the number of stitches does not change that way.)

Leg:

After finishing the heel continue in rounds. Now work the chart over all stitches. Use only the stitches with a white background and knit every chart row twice per round.

You start the leg with pattern round 4.

Work until you made the repeat six times from the beginning. (= 120 rounds of pattern)

Counting from the first pattern round after the toe.

Then knit round 1 and 2 of the chart.

Cuff left sock:

Finish the last round with yo, k2tog. The next stitch is the first stitch of the round for the cuff.

Rd 1: 3x [4x (k2, p2), k2, 3x (yo, k2tog)]

Rd 2: 3x [4x (k2, p2), k3, 2x (yo, k2tog), k1]

Rd 3: as Rd 2

Rd 4 & 5: as Rd 1

Rd 6 & 7: as Rd 2
Rd 8 & 9: as Rd 1
Rd 10 & 11: as Rd 2
Rd 12: as Rd 1
Bind off all stitches.

Cuff right sock:

Rd 1: k1, 3x (p2, k2), 2x [3x (yo, k2tog), 4x (k2, p2), k2], 3x (yo, k2tog), k2, p2, k1
Rd 2: k1, 3x (p2, k2), 2x [k1, 2x (yo, k2tog), k1, 4x (k2, p2), k2], k1, 2x (yo, k2tog), k3, p2, k1
Rd 3: as Rd 2
Rd 4 & 5: as Rd 1
Rd 6 & 7: as Rd 2
Rd 8 & 9: as Rd 1
Rd 10 & 11: as Rd 2
Rd 12: as Rd 1
Bind off all stitches.

Finish:

Weave in ends.