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# Polka Dot Popcorn Socks

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## FINISHED SIZES

Fits up to 10", 11" or 12" lower calf measurements. Make to desired length.

## MATERIALS

Sport sock yarn: 2 1/2 [3, 3 1/2] oz. dk. rose, 2 1/2 oz. white; stitch markers or bobby pins; Tapestry needle; E hook or hook size needed to obtain gauge

## GAUGE

6 sts = 1"; 2 dc rnds, one popcorn rnd and one sc rnd = 1"; 6 sc rows worked in Heel pattern = 1".

## BASIC STITCHES

Ch, sl st, sc, dc.

## SPECIAL STITCHES

For popcorn (pc), 3 dc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in first st of 3-dc group, pull dropped lp through, ch 1.

For shell, (sc, ch 1, sc) in next st.

For long shell, insert hook in specified st, yo, pull up long lp, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, ch 1, insert hook in same st, yo, pull up long lp, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook.

For decrease shell (dec shell), (insert hook in second sc of next shell, yo, pull through) 2 times, yo, pull through 3 lps on hook (decrease made), ch 1, sc in same st as last st made.

## NOTE

Instructions are for small, changes for medium and large are in [ ].

For color change, drop first color to wrong side of work, pick up next color. Always change colors in last st made. Work over dropped color.

## SOCK (MAKE 2) RIBBING

Row 1: Starting at top, with dk. rose, ch 7, sc in second ch from hook, sc in each ch across, turn. (6 sc made)  
Rows 2-39 [2-45, 2-51]: Working these



rows in back lps only, ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. At end of last row, sl st first and last row together. At end of last row, fasten off.

## LEG

Rnd 1: Join white with sc in end of first row, sc in end of each row around, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off. (39 sc made) [45 sc, 51 sc made]

Rnd 2: Join dk. rose with sl st in first st, ch 3, dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in next st changing to white in last st made (see Notes), pc (see Special Stitches) in next st changing to dk. rose, (dc in next 2 sts changing to white, pc in next st changing to dk. rose) around, join. Fasten off white.

Rnd 4: With dk. rose, ch 3, dc in each st around, join. Fasten off.

Rnd 5: Join white with sc in first st, sc in each st around, join with sl st in first sc.

Rnds 6-20: Repeat rnds 2-5 consecutively, ending with rnd 4.

Rnd 21: For small only, ch 1, sc in each st around, join with sl st in first sc.

Rnd [21, 21]: For medium and large only, ch 1, sc in first [8, 9] sts, sc next 2 sts tog, \*sc in next 5 [6] sts, sc next 2 sts tog; repeat from \* around, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off all colors. [39, 45]

## HEEL

Row 1: Skip first 30 [30, 36] sts, join white with sc in next st, sc in next 17 [17, 21] sts leaving remaining sts unworked, turn. (18 sc made) [18 sc made, 22 sc made]

Rows 2-18: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 19: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, sc next 2 sts tog, \*sc in next 3 [3, 5] sts, (sc next 2 sts tog) 2 times; repeat from \*, turn. (12) [12, 16]

Row 20: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 21: Ch 1, sc in first 4 [4, 6] sts, (sc next 2 sts tog) 2 times, sc in last 4 [4, 6] sts, turn. (10) [10, 14]

Row 22: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

## LEG

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc in each st across, do not turn, evenly space 14 sc in ends of rows across Heel; for top of foot, working in skipped sts of rnd 21 on Leg, sc in next st, mark last st made, sc in next 20 [20, 22] sts, evenly space 14 sc in ends of rows across Heel, join with sl st in first sc. (59 sc made) [59 sc made, 65 sc made] Fasten off off-white.

NOTES: Do not join rnds unless otherwise stated. Mark first st of each rnd.

The following rnds gradually decrease the width of the Sock. When Sock is the desired width, you may stop decreasing and proceed to rnd 10.

Rnd 2: Join dk. rose with sc in marked st, ch 1, sc in same st (shell made), (skip next st, shell in next st—see Special Stitches) 10 [10, 11] times, sc next 2 sts tog, sc in each st

around to last 2 sts, sc last 2 sts tog, do not join. (36 sc, 11 shells) [36 sc, 11 shells; 40 sc, 12 shells]

Rnds 3-10 [3-8, 3-8]: Shell in second sc of each shell across, sc next 2 sts tog, sc in each st around to last 2 sts, sc last 2 sts tog, ending with (20 sc, 11 shells) [24 sc, 11 shells; 28 sc, 12 shells] in last rnd.

Rnds 11-12 [9-10, 9-10]: Shell in second sc of each shell and sc in each sc around.

Rnd 13 [11, 11]: Long shell (see Special Stitches) in second sc of each of next 6 [6, 7] shells, shell in second sc of next 5 [5, 5] shells, sc in each sc around. (The long shell is used to help keep the Sock from slanting in one direction.)

Next Rnds: Repeat rnds 11-13 [9-11, 9-11] consecutively until piece measures 1 1/2" to 2" less than desired foot length from Heel, ending with rnd 11 [11, 11].

## TOE

Rnd 1: Dec shell (see Special Stitches), shell in second sc of each shell across, sc next 2 sc tog, sc in each

sc around to last 2 sc, sc last 2 sc tog. (18 sc, 10 shells made) [22 sc, 10 shells; 26 sc, 11 shells made]

Rnds 2-5: Long shell in next 5 [5, 6] shells, shell in next 5 shells, sc next 2 sc tog, sc in each sc around to last 2 sc, sc last 2 sc tog, ending with (10 sc, 10 shells) [14 sc, 10 shells; 18 sc, 11 shells] in last rnd.

Rnd 6: Dec shell, shell in each shell across, sc next 2 sc tog, sc in each sc around to last 2 sc, sc last 2 sc tog. (8 sc, 9 shells) [12 sc, 9 shells; 16 sc, 10 shells]

Rnd 7: Long shell in next 4 [4, 5] shells, shell in next 5 shells, sc next 2 sc tog, sc in each sc around to last 2 sc, sc last 2 sc tog. (6 sc, 9 shells) [10 sc, 9 shells; 14 sc, 10 shells]

Rnd 8: Skipping ch sps of shells, sc in each sc of each shell across, sc next 2 sc tog, sc in each sc around to last 2 sc, sc last 2 sc tog. (22 sc) [26 sc, 32 sc]

Rnd 9: (Sc next 2 sts tog) around, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Flatten last rnd, sew toe opening closed.



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