

Twisted Toe-up Toddler Socks



I developed these socks for my 9 month old baby. They aren't magic- she still pulls them off but they're darn cute. Her socks always end up twisting around her leg. I figured I may as well make them look like they're supposed to be doing that so I did the leg in a twisting rib pattern. They're knit toe up with a heel flap because I prefer the way a heel flap looks over short row heels. Toe up is great because you can use up every last inch of those little balls of leftover sock yarn you have laying around.

There is plenty of room for my 9 ½ month old to grow into them but they're not huge on her. See my gauge and size below. For smaller socks, use size 1, or even size 0, needles. If you would like to make them longer or shorter, the directions indicate how to do that.

Materials:

Size 2 needles- This pattern is written for magic loop or 2 circular method.
Small amount of leftover sock yarn

Gauge:

My gauge was 9 st/inch

Size: Socks are approximately 4 ¼ inches long.

TOE:

Using a figure 8 cast on, CO 16 stitches

Row 1: knit

Row 2: *K1, M1, K to last stitch on needle, M1, K1* repeat on second needle

Repeat rows 1 and 2 six more times (44 stitches)

K12 rows even (or until sock is 2 inches less than desired length)

GUSSET:

Row 1: K1, M1, K to last stitch on needle, M1, K1 (this needle is the bottom of the foot), *K2, P2* across next needle, ending with K2 (these stitches will be the top of the foot)

Row 2: knit across 1st needle, continue ribbing across 2nd needle

Repeat rows 1 and 2 eleven more times (34 stitches on 1st needle, 56 stitches total)

TURN HEEL:

K11 stitches and place on holder, ssk, k10, put next 11 stitches on holder.
You now have 11 stitches on the 1st needle. These are the heel stitches.

Turn work.

P2tog, P across row, turn

ssk, K across row, turn

Repeat until 4 stitches remain, end with WS row.

HEEL FLAP:

Beginning with RS row, s11, K3, pick up 8 st along decrease edge, turn

S11, purl across and pick up 8 stitches along other decrease edge- 20 stitches on needle

Row 1: s11, k18, ssk last stitch with the first stitch on holder, turn

Row 2: s11, p18, purl last stitch together with 1st stitch on holder, turn

Repeat rows 1 and 2 nine more times, ending with WS row (there will be one stitch left on each holder)

LEG:

Beginning with RS, s11, K19, K stitch off holder. This is now the beginning of the round.

Work in diagonal rib pattern (pattern is below), knitting last stitch off of holder when you come to it.

Work until sock reaches desired length, or you run out of yarn.

BO using a stretchy bind off.

DIAGONAL RIB:

Rows 1-4: *K2, P2* across

Rows 5-8: P1, *K2, P2*, end with K2, P1

Rows 9-12: *P2, K2*

Rows 13-16: K1, *P2, K2*, end with P2, K1

Repeat these 16 rows for desired length.

