

Mini Sock Garland

A tiny sock pattern by Jessica Gail

This sock garland is a great way to practice making socks, and to use up any scraps of sock yarn you may have lying around. The socks are knitted toe-up with a short row heel so as to best show off the self-striping yarn. I chose to string my mini socks together with little clothespins to use as a decoration, but you could also add yarn loops to the back and hang them as ornaments.

Yarn: The garland was knit using a self-striping Frankensocks Kit of Pax Sock Yarn from Havirland Hand-Dyed Yarn. The kit contains 10 10-gram mini skeins, approx. 400 yards in total. You can also use whatever scraps of sock yarn you happen to have lying around.

Needles: US size 1 dpns

Gauge: Not terribly important, as no one will be wearing these socks. Mine was about 7sts/inch.

Other materials for garland:

- Scrap yarn
- Mini clothes pins

Abbreviations:

w&t: wrap and turn (for short rows)

M1L: make one left (left-leaning increase)

M1R: make one right (right-leaning increase)

sl1: slip one stitch purl-wise

Instructions for mini toe-up socks (make as many as you like – 400 yards of sock yarn will make 20 mini socks)

CO 10 sts using Judy's magic cast on. Stitches will be divided over 2 dpns

Shape the toe

Row 1: K10, pm for beginning of round

Row 2: (K1, M1R, K3, M1L, K1)*2 – 14 sts

Row 3: Knit

Row 4: (K1, M1R, K5, M1L, K1)*2 – 18 sts
Row 5: Knit
Row 6: (K1, M1R, K7, M1L, K1)*2 – 22 sts
Row 7: Knit
Row 8: (K1, M1R, K9, M1L, K1)*2 – 26 sts
Row 9: Knit

Knit the foot

Divide sts over 3 dpns, I recommend 13 stitches on the first needle (to make life easier when you turn the heel), 7 sts on the second needle and 6 sts on the third.

Knit until sock measures approx. 2.5 inches (including the toe) – I strongly recommend fudging this number to make colors line up nicely if you are using self-striping yarn.

Turn the heel – work wrapped stitches as you come to them

Row 1: K12, w&t
Row 2: P11, w&t
Row 3: K10, w&t
Row 4: P9, w&t
Row 5: K8, w&t
Row 6: P7, w&t
Row 7: K6, w&t
Row 8: P5, w&t
Row 9: sl1, K5, turn
Row 10: sl1, P6, turn
Row 11: sl1, K7, turn
Row 12: sl1, P8, turn
Row 13: sl1, K9, turn
Row 14: sl1, P10, turn
Row 15: sl1, K11, turn
Row 16: sl1, P12, turn
Row 17: sl1, K25 (you are now done making short rows – huzzah!)

Knit the body of the sock

Knit until body of sock measures about 3 inches. You can also knit for a couple inches and then do the last several row in 1x1 rib, totally up to you. When the sock is long enough for you, or you are nearly out of yarn in your mini skein, bind off all stitches. Weave in ends and block.