

Men's Argyle Socks

Sock size 10 to 12

Materials

1 Pr. Standard No. 2 Needles

Jack Frost Fingering Fleece

2 1-oz. Balls Garnet

1-1-oz. Ball Natural

1-1-oz. Ball Robin Blue

Gauge: 9 sts to 1 in.



NOTE: Colors will be referred to as follows: **Garner**—G; **Natural**—N; **Robin Blue**—R, always be sure to twist yarns once when changing colors, to avoid making a hole. Before starting pattern, wind G into 2 balls, N into 2 balls, R into 1 ball and break off 2 strands each of R and N (about 2 yds. each).

With G cast on 70 sts. Work in ribbing of K 1, P 1, for 3 ½ in. Work in pattern as follows:

Row 1—Knit 2 N—15 G—1 R—1 N—15 G—2 R—15 G—1 N—1 R—15 G—2 N.

Row 2—Purl back with same colors.

Row 3—Knit 3 N—13 G—1 R—2 G—1 N—13 G—4 R—13 G—1 N—2 G—1 R—13 G—3 N.

Row 4—and all even rows purl back with same colors.

Row 5—Knit 4 N—11 G—1 R—4 G—1 N—11 G—6 R—11 G—1 N—4 G—1 R—11 G—4 N.





Continue in the above manner, adding 1 more st in color to the N half diamonds on each end; 2 more sts to the center R diamond; decreasing 1 st in color on each side of the 2 G diamonds, every knit row; moving the R diagonals 1 st toward the outside and the N diagonals 1 st toward the center every knit row, until sts are on the Needle at first crossing of diagonals into next colors as follows:

Row 17—Knit 9 N—1 R—16 G—1 N—16 R—1 N—16 G—1 R—9 N.

Row 18—Purl back in same colors.

Row 19—Knit 8 N—1 R—2 N—14 G—2 R—1 N—14 R—1 N—2 R—14 G—2 N—1 R—8 N.

Row 20—Purl back in same colors.

Row 21—Knit 7 N—1 R—4 N—12 G—4 R—1 N—12 R—1 N—4 R—12 G—4 N—1 R—7 N.

Continue working in the above manner until row 32 has been completed. On the next row, the N diagonals will cross in the center of the R diamond as follows:

Row 33—Knit 1 N—1 R—16 N—16 R—2 N—16 R—16 N—1 R—1 N.

Row 34—Purl back in same colors.

Row 35—Knit 2 N—1 R—14 N—2 G—14 R—1 N—2 R—1 N—14 R—2 G—14 N—1 R—2 N.

Continue in the above manner, decreasing 1 st in color at each side of the center R diamond and 1 st in each N diamond, every other row until diagonals cross into next colors and sts are on Needle as follows:

Row 49—Knit 9 N—1 R—16 G—1 N—16 R—1 N—16 G—1 R—9 N.

Row 50—Purl back in same colors.

Row 51—Knit 9 N—1 G—1 R—14 G—1 N—1 G—16 R—1 G—1 N—14 G—1 R—1 G—9 N.

Continue in pattern until the center R diamond has been completed and sts are on the Needle as follows:

Row 66—Purl 2 N—15 G—1 R—1 N—15 G—2 R—15 G—1 N—1 R—15 G—2 N.





Break off the N and center R balls of yarn and the 2 N strands.

HEEL: Row 1—With G, slip 1, K 1, over the first 18 sts: place remaining 52 sts on st-holder.

Row 2—Purl. Repeat above 2 rows on the 18 heel sts until 32 rows in all have been made, ending with a purl row. Turn this half of heel as follows:

Row 1—K 2, K 2 tog., K 1; turn; slip 1, P 3; turn.

Row 3—K 3, K 2 tog., K 1; turn; slip 1, P 4; turn.

Row 5—K 4, K 2 tog., K 1; turn; slip 1, P 5; turn.

Continue working as given above until all sts are worked; there will be 10 sts on the Needle, ending with K 9, K 2 tog.

Pick up and knit 17 sts on side of heel. Place the sts from st-holder to left hand Needle and work in pattern across the 34 instep sts as follows: 1 R—15 G—2 N—15 G—1 R. Place the 61 sts just worked, on st-holder. Work back and forth as given for first half of heel on remaining 18 sts for 33 rows, ending with a slip 1, K 1 row. Turn this half of heel as follows:

Row 1—P 2, P 2 tog., P 1; turn; slip 1, K 3; turn.

Row 3—P 3, P 2 tog., P 1; turn; slip 1, K 4; turn.

Row 5—P 4, P 2 tog., P 1; turn; slip 1, K 5; turn.

Continue working as given above until all sts worked; there will be 10 sts on the Needle, ending with P 9, P 2 tog.

Pick up and purl, 17 sts on side of heel. Place the sts from st-holder to left hand Needle and purl across row with same colors (88 sts).

INSTEP SHAPING:

Row 1—With G knit 25, K 2 tog., K 1, then K 1 R, 13 G, 4 N, 13 G, 1 R, change to G and K 1, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 25.

Row 2 and all even rows purl back with same colors.





Row 3—With G knit 24, K 2 tog., K 2, then K 1 R, then K 1 R, 11 G, 6 N, 11 G, 1 R, change to G and K 2, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 24.

Row 5—With G knit 23, k 2 tog., K 3, then K 1 R, 9 G, 8 N, 9 G, 1 R, change to G and K 3, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 23.

Continue decreasing in the above manner, adding 1 more st in color to each side of the N diamond across instep, moving the R diagonals 1 st toward the center, every knit row, until 70 sts remain. Work even on the 70 sts until sts are on the Needle as follows:

Knit 18 G—16 N—2 R—16 N—18 G. At this point the R diagonals will cross each other. Purl back in same colors, then continue in pattern decreasing 1 st in color on each side of the N diamond; moving the R diagonals 1 st outward, every knit row, until sts are on the Needle as follows:

Knit 26 G—1 R—16 N—1 R—26 G. Purl back in same colors.

Break off both strands of R and continue decreasing 1 st in color on each side of the N diamond, every knit row, until diamond has been completed (there will be 2 N stitches in the center of last purl row). Work back and forth in stockinette st in G only until foot measures 2 in. less than desired length, measuring from back of heel. Decrease for toe as follows:

Row 1—K 15, K 2 tog., K 2, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 28, K 2 tog., K 2, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 15.

Row 2 and all even rows purl.

Row 3—K 14, K 2 tog., K 2, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 28, K 2 tog., K 2, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 15.

Row 5—K 13, K 2 tog., K 2, slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 24, K 2 tog., K 2; slip 1, K 1, PSSO, K 13.

Continue decreasing as given above until 26 sts remain. Weave tip of sock tog. Sew back and sole seams. Work other sock to correspond.

Pattern from Jack Frost's Two Needle Socks, Volume 57.

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