

Kitty Ankle Socks

These are two-toned toe-up ankle socks with a kitty chart. Can make two-of-a-kind for ultra matchiness or use contrasting yarns to make complementary kitties.



Materials

Needles: Double pointed needles, size 1 (2.25 mm)

Yarn: MC and CC in fingering weight yarn for cat and background, these should be contrasting enough that eyes and whiskers are visible on the kitty's face (I used Frabjous Fibers Cheshire Cat in Too Much Pepper and Goat's Beard)

<1 yard of pink/red fingering weight yarn for kitty nose

Notions: Scissors, Darning needle, Stitch marker

Gauge

Can be adjusted by changing either yarn weight or needle size, 32 stitches should be 10% smaller than the width of the foot.

Directions

TOE (KITTY):

With MC and two DPNs, use Judy's Magic Cast-on to CO 12 st on each of two DPNs.

Round 1: Knit

Round 2: *K1, m1, k to last st on needle, m1, k1; repeat from * to end of round. (4 st increased)

Round 3: *K1, m1, k to last st on needle, m1, k1; repeat from * to end of round. (4 st increased)

Repeat these three rounds until you have 32 st on each DPN (64 st total).

Redistribute stitches onto DPNs or other needle of choice to continue in the round. Begin chart in the round (see page 4), use only first 32 stitches (half of the stitches) for chart. For the other half of the stitches (other 32 st) knit in MC, these non-charted stitches will become the side of the sock where the heel will go.

Note regarding chart execution:

You can knit the chart however you'd like! Via duplicate stitching or intarsia in the round!

FOOT:

Once the chart is finished, continue knitting in the round in the CC until the sock measures 1.5" less than the length of the foot. (So if the foot is 8" knit until sock measures 6.5" in length)

Knit across the charted 32 stitches, and place them on hold – until the heel is completed.

HEEL:

The non-charted 32 stitches will become the heel and are knit flat and in short rows as follows:

Knit 29 st, wrap and turn.

Purl until 3 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Knit until 4 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Purl until 4 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Knit until 5 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Purl until 5 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Knit until 6 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Purl until 6 st left on needle, wrap and turn.

Knit until 7 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 7 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 8 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 8 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 9 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 9 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 10 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 10 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 11 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 11 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 10 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 10 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 9 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 9 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 8 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 8 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 7 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 7 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 6 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 6 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 5 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 5 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 4 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 4 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit until 3 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Purl until 3 st left on needle, wrap and turn.
Knit 29 st.

LEG:

Knit 32 charted stitches, continue knitting in the round again for 6 rounds.

CUFF:

Ribbing round: *k1, p1; repeat from * until end of round.

Repeat ribbing round for 10 rounds.

Bind off. Sew in all ends, and make sure intarsia ends are sewn in securely as well.

Sew whiskers for the cat starting from 1 st away from the nose stitches, to around 5-6 stitches away.

Block and wear!

CHART:

