

Slip Stitch Preemie Hat & Tiny Toe Up Sockies

materials & gauge:

- ♥ **hat** (small, med & large preemie)
needles – 3.5 mm (US 4) and 3.75 mm (US 5)
70 yds DK yarn (20 yds CC, if using)
gauge: 4" = 22 st/30 r in stockinette with smaller needles
- ♥ **sockies** (small & med preemie, newborn)
2.75 mm (US 2) double-point or circular needles
50 yds DK yarn (15 yds CC, if using)
gauge: 18 st/21 r = 2"

all yarn requirements are approximate
yarn used in samples:
Bernat Satin Sport - taupe & seashore

hats!

circular/double-point instructions

using smaller needles, cast on 54 (63, 72). split evenly among needles and join, being careful not to twist.

k1, p1. *k2, p1. repeat from * around. end k1. repeat until ribbing is 1" (1 1/4", 1 1/2")

crown:

1 - 5: k around.

6 & 7: with larger needles, k1, sl 1. *k2, sl1. repeat from * around. end k1.

9-12: with smaller needles, k around.

repeat steps 6 - 12 until crown is 3", 3 1/2", 4" from cast-on edge.

OPTIONAL: USE CONTRASTING COLOR FOR RND 6 & 7.

decreases:

1: *skp, k7 repeat from * around.

2: *skp, k6 repeat from * around.

3: *skp, k5 repeat from * around.

continue in progression, working one less st between decreases, until 12 (14, 16) sts remain.

finishing:

♥ cut 6" tail and thread through remaining loops.

♥ pull tight, knot, and weave through inside of sts to secure. clip.

♥ weave in cast-on end and clip.

2-needle instructions

using smaller needles, cast on 55 (64, 73)

1: (RS) *k2, p1. repeat from * around. end k1.

2: p1, k1. *p2, k1. repeat from * around. end p2.

repeat until ribbing is 1" (1 1/4", 1 1/2"). end having completed a RS row.

crown:

1 - 5: work in stockinette (k RS rows, p WS rows)

6: with larger needles, *k2, sl1. repeat from * across. end k1.

7: p1. sl1 WIF. *p2, sl1 WIF. repeat from * across. end k2.

9-12: with smaller needles, work in stockinette. repeat these steps until crown is 3", 3 1/2", 4" from cast-on edge. end having completed a WS row.

OPTIONAL: USE CONTRASTING COLOR FOR ROWS 6 & 7.

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decreases:

rnd 1: *skp, k7 repeat from * across. end k1.

rnd 2: p1. *k6, spp. repeat from * across.

rnd 3: *skp, k5 repeat from * around. end k1.

continue in progression, working one less st between decreases, until 13 (15, 17) sts remain.

finishing:

♥ cut 12" tail and thread through remaining loops. pull tight and knot, then use tail to sew side seam. weave in end and clip.

♥ weave in cast-on end and clip.

sockies!

double-point instructions – see "techniques & abbreviations" for circular conversion

using your favourite toe-up cast on, create 12 (12, 16) sts (6, 6, 8) on each of two dpns.

EASY CLOSED END CAST ON: hold 2 ndls parallel to each other. use a Simple Cast on, placing one st on the left, the 2nd on the right and so on.

1: k around. first rnd only, split sts onto 3 ndls 6/3/3 (6/3/3, 8/4/4)

2: ndl 1 – (instep) k1, incr 1, k to last st, incr 1, k1
ndl 2 – (sole): k1, incr 1, k across

ndl 3 – k to last st, incr 1, k1

repeat rnds 1 & 2 until there are a total of 20 (24, 28) sts on the ndls –

ndl 1: 12 (14, 16) ndl 2 & 3: 6 (7, 8) each

3: k around until 2" (2 1/2", 3") from tip of toe, or to desired length minus 1/2" for heel.

short row heel

1: k across ndl 1.

2: k across ndls 2 & 3 to last st. bring yarn to front as if to purl, then slip st. (1 wrap created – on purl rows, take yarn to back as if to knit before slipping st). turn. remainder of heel will be worked on sole sts only

3: slip just-wrapped st. p across to last st. W&T.

4: slip just-wrapped st. k next 9 (13) sts. W&T.

5: slip just-wrapped st. p next 8 (12) sts. W&T.

continue in progression, working one less k or p st on each turn, until 4 (6, 6) sts remain unwrapped in the center



heel turning:

- 1: slip just-wrapped st. k 4 (6, 6), W&T (wrapped st will have 2 wraps)
 - 2: slip just-wrapped st. p 4 (6, 6), W&T, turn.
 - 3: slip just-wrapped st. k 5 (7, 7), W&T, turn.
 - 4: slip just-wrapped st. k 6 (8, 8), W&T, turn
- continue in progression, working one more k or p each turn, until all heel sts have been worked.

leg & finishing:

♥ working on all needles again, k 6 rounds.

♥ k around increasing/decreasing +1 (0, -1) sts 21 (24, 27) sts

1 & 2: with larger needles, k1, sl 1. *k2, sl1. repeat from * around. end k1.

3-6: with smaller needles, k around. repeat steps 1 - 6 twice, or to desired length.

OPTIONAL: USE CONTRASTING COLOR FOR RND 1 & 2. bind off loosely and weave in ends.

techniques & abbreviations:

dpns : double point needles

incr : make a new stitch using an Simple Cast On (backwards "e" or thumb cast on)

k: knit

ndl(s): needle(s)

p: purl

rnd(s): round(s)

RS: right side

sl X: slip X stitch(es), purlwise and with yarn in back, unless otherwise noted

skp: slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped st over knit st

spp: slip 1, purl 1, pass slipped st over knit st

st(s): stitch(es)

W&T: wrap & turn

WS: wrong side

using Circulars instead of Double Points

place the sts from Double Point 1 onto Circular 1, then sts from Double Points 2 and 3 onto Circular 2.