

# Slipped Rib Socks - a toe up pattern

sizes: preemie sm, (preemie med/newborn)

## needed:

♥ 2.5mm (us 1.5) double-point knitting needles  
gauge: 20 st/ 24 r = 2"

♥ sock (fingering) yarn in the following quantities:

### preemie small:

MC: 30 yards/CC: 18 yards

### preemie medium:

MC: 45 yards/CC: 28 yards

### newborn:

MC: 60 yards/CC: 42 yards

## abbreviations:

*k*: knit

*inc* : make a new stitch using a Simple Cast On  
(cast on one stitch over your thumb)

*sl 1*: slip one stitch knitwise with yarn in back

*p*: purl

yarn used in picture: clickheaton baby merino/lorna's laces (newborn)  
shepherd baby wool 4-ply (sm preemie)



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## slipped rib design:

row 1: With CC, sl 1, k1, sl 1, p1 around

row 2: repeat row 1

row 3: k3, p1 around

row 4: With MC, sl 1, k1, sl 1, p1 around

row 5: repeat row 1

row 6: k3, p1 around

## instructions:

cast on 12 (12/16) stitches (6 (6/8) each on two needles). Easy method: hold the 2 needles parallel to each other, casting on over your thumb 1st on the left, the 2nd on the right and so on.

rnd 1: knit around. *on first row only* -- split stitches onto 3 needles 3/3/6 (3/3/6 or 4/4/8)

rnd 2: **1st needle** (instep): k1, inc 1, k across to last stitch, inc 1, k1

**2nd needle** (sole): k1, inc 1, k across

**3rd needle** (sole): k across to last stitch, inc 1, k1

repeat rows 1 & 2 until there are a total of 24 (28/32) stitches on the needles --

needle 1: 12 (14/16)      needle 2: 6 (7/8)      needle 3: 6 (7/8)

work around in slipped rib design for 17 (23/35) rows, or to desired length minus about 1/2" for heel. End with row 5.

### short row heel

row 1: work across first needle as in row 3 of slipped rib design. Knit across needles 2 & 3 until last stitch on 3. Bring yarn to front as if to purl, then slip stitch. (1 wrap created -- on purl rows, take yarn to back as if to knit before slipping stitch). Turn.

(remainder of heel will be worked on sole needles only)

row 2: Purl across stitches just worked until last stitch. wrap

last stitch, turn.

row 3: Knit next 9 (11/13) stitches. wrap next stitch, turn.

row 4: Purl next 8 (10/12) stitches. wrap next stitch, turn.

repeat rows 3 & 4, (working one less a stitch on each row) until 6 (6/8) stitches remain unworked in the center

### heel turning:

row 1: k 6 (6/8), wrap next stitch, turn (wrapped stitch will have 2 loops)

row 2: p 6 (6/8), wrap next stitch, turn

row 3: k 7 (7/9), wrap next stitch, turn.

row 4: p 8 (8/10), wrap next stitch, turn

repeat rows 2 & 3, (working one more a stitch on each row) until all stitches have been worked. end by knitting across needles 2 and 3.

### leg/finishing:

knitting on all needles again, begin knitting with row 1 of slipped rib design. You may want to redistribute the stitches at this time:

needle 1: 8 (10/10)      needle 2: 8 (8/12)  
needle 3: 8 (10/10)

work the following number of rows in the slipped rib design:

small preemie: 9 rows

med preemie: 12 rows

newborn: 15 rows

break CC

work 4 (6/6) rows of k3, p1 ribbing.

Cast off loosely (socks shown with a sewn cast-off).

Weave in ends.