

# MAGGIE'S RAGS™

## Seashore Socks

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Comfy socks for kids and adults, that coordinate with our Seashore Sweater and Seashore Hat patterns. Waves, suns, buckets, shovels, and sand castles circle these fun socks. A top band worked in Sand Stitch completes the seashore theme. Choose one solid and one multicolor or variegated yarn to make these simple color patterns look complicated. Socks shown were knit from Lorna's Laces Shepherd Sock yarn, colors Denim (14ns) and Aslan (76) in child's sizes extra small and medium.



**Needles:** Set of double pointed needles #2 US (2.75 mm), or size required for correct gauge. Tapestry or yarn needle for finishing.

**Gauge:** 32 sts = 4" (10 cm) in stockinette

Sizing	Child Extra Small	Child Small	Child Medium	Child Large	Adult Small	Adult Large
Fits Shoe Size	Toddler		Child		Women	
	1 to 4	5 to 8	9 to 11	12 to 1	4 to 7	8 to 10
Fits Foot Length	4"-5" (10-12½ cm)	5"-6" (12½-15 cm)	6"-7" (15-17½ cm)	7"-8½" (17½-21¼ cm)	8½"-10" (21¼-25 cm)	10"-11" (25-27½ cm)

**Materials:** Sock yarn (about 215 yards per 4 oz or 20 wraps per inch).

Main Color	71 yds (65 m) .7 oz (20 gr)	84 yds (77 m) .8 oz (23 gr)	122 yds (112 m) 1.1 oz (31 gr)	154 yds (141 m) 1.4 oz (40 gr)	215 yds (197 m) 2 oz (57 gr)	240 yds (219 m) 2.2 oz (63 gr)
Contrast Color	49 yds (45 m) .5 oz (14 gr)	59 yds (54 m) .6 oz (17 gr)	89 yds (81 m) .8 oz (23 gr)	98 yds (90 m) .9 oz (26 gr)	128 yds (117 m) 1.2 oz (34 gr)	145 yds (133 m) 1.35 oz (39 gr)



## ABBREVIATIONS

K	Knit
K2 tog	Knit two together
P	Purl
P2 tog	Purl two together
Sl	Slip
SSK	Slip 1 as if to knit, slip a second st as if to knit, insert the left needle into the front of both, and knit together
St/sts	Stitch/Stitches

## INSTRUCTIONS

	Child Extra Small	Child Small	Child Medium	Child Large	Adult Small	Adult Large
<b>Top of Sock</b> With main color, cast on ____ sts. Divide sts between 3 or 4 needles and join ends, being careful not to twist knitting. Mark beginning of round.	48 sts	48 sts	60 sts	60 sts	72 sts	72 sts
Work circularly in Sand Stitch for _____	.75" (2 cm)	.75" (2 cm)	.75" (2 cm)	.75" (2 cm)	1" (2.5 cm)	1" (2.5 cm)
Work color pattern from color chart in stockinette stitch, until you have completed round _____. Note that, because socks are knit from the top down you will be knitting the patterns <b>upside down</b> . Be sure to begin with round 1 and work up the chart.	29	29	41	41	41	41
<b>Adult Sizes Only:</b> K1 round in main color. Work rounds 1-5 of chart again.						
<b>All Sizes:</b> Break off contrast color yarn. Knit one round in main color. Knit one around decreasing _____ sts evenly spaced.	12 sts	4 sts	12 sts	4 sts	12 sts	4 sts
Total Stitches:	36 sts	44 sts	48 sts	56 sts	60 sts	68 sts
<b>Heel Flap</b> Using an empty needle, K____, P1. Slip any remaining sts on needle to the next needle. Change to contrast color. Using another empty needle, turn and work back across heel flap as follows: Sl1, K2, P to end of needle.	8 sts	10 sts	11 sts	13 sts	14 sts	16 sts
Without turning and still working stitches onto the same needle, P____, K2, P1. Slip any remaining sts onto the next needle.	6 sts	8 sts	9 sts	11 sts	12 sts	14 sts
There are now ____ sts on this needle for the heel flap. There are also the same number of sts on a second needle for the front of the sock.	18 sts	22 sts	24 sts	28 sts	30 sts	34 sts
Working back and forth across the heel flap, work the following two rows until there are ____ rows in the heel flap, ending with a wrong side row. <b>Right Side:</b> Sl1, K across until 1 st remains, P1. <b>Wrong Side:</b> Sl1, K2, P across until 3 sts remain, K2, P1.	18 rows	22 rows	24 rows	28 rows	30 rows	34 rows

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<b>Shape Heel</b>						
<b>Right Side:</b> K___, SSK, K1, turn. <b>Wrong Side:</b> S11, P5, P2 tog, P1, turn. Work the following two rows until all the sts of the heel flap have been worked: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S11, K until 1 st remains before the gap formed by the last decrease, SSK, K1, turn.</li> <li>S11, P until 1 st remains before the gap, P2 tog, P1, turn.</li> </ul>	K11	K13	K14	K16	K17	K19
<b>Note:</b> Remaining sts on this needle: This is the "Bottom Needle." The other needle, which you have not been using is the "Top Needle." Knit across the bottom needle on the right side.	12 sts	14 sts	14 sts	16 sts	18 sts	20 sts
<b>Pick Up Stitches:</b> Using an empty needle and main color, pick up and knit 1 st in each slipped edge st along the left edge of the heel flap. (You are already at a corner of the heel flap, just continue around the corner to the left.) For a neat cabled edge, knit through just the outer half of the st. You will have ___ sts on this needle. This is the "First Side Needle."	9 sts	11 sts	12 sts	14 sts	15 sts	17 sts
Take another empty needle and knit across the Top Needle.	18 sts	22 sts	24 sts	28 sts	30 sts	34 sts
Using another empty needle, pick up and knit 1 st in each slipped edge st along the right edge of the heel flap. You will have ___ sts on this needle. This is the "Second Side Needle."	9 sts	11 sts	12 sts	14 sts	15 sts	17 sts
NOTE: If you have a set of only 4 needles, rearrange your sts as follows. Knit half of the sts from the bottom of the heel onto the Second Side Needle. Slip the other half onto the First Side Needle.						
<b>Gusset Decreases:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Knit one round even.</li> <li>On the next round, knit until 2 sts remain on the First Side Needle. K2 tog. Knit across the Top Needle. On the Second Side Needle SSK, and then knit to the end of the needle.</li> </ul> If you are working with 5 needles, finish the round by knitting across the Bottom Needle. Repeat these two rounds until ___ sts remain.	36 sts	42 sts	48 sts	54 sts	60 sts	66 sts
Note: If your sock is still on 4 needles, knit half of the sts from the Bottom Needle onto the Second Side Needle and slip the remaining sts to the First Side Needle. The beginning of round is now the center bottom of the foot, between the two side needles.						
Work even in stockinette stitch until the foot measures ___ less than the desired length. (See size chart on page 1 for foot length, measured from back of heel to tip of toe.)	1" (2.5 cm)	1.25" (3.1 cm)	1.25" (3.1 cm)	1.5" (3.8 cm)	1.5" (3.8 cm)	1.75" (4.4 cm)
<b>Toe Shaping:</b> Using contrast color, knit one round.						
Work "Decrease Round" every other round ___ times <b>Decrease Round:</b> First needle, K until 3 sts remain, K2 tog, K1. Second needle, K1, SSK, K until 3 sts remain, K2 tog, K1. Third needle, K1, SSK, K to end of needle.	4 times	5 times	6 times	6 times	7 times	8 times
Remaining Stitches: ___	20 sts	22 sts	24 sts	30 sts	32 sts	34 sts
Work decrease round every round ___ times	2 times	3 times	3 times	4 times	4 times	4 times
Remaining Stitches: ___	12 sts	10 sts	12 sts	14 sts	16 sts	18 sts
<b>Finishing:</b> Using the Second Side Needle, knit all the sts from the First Side Needle. Your stitches should now be evenly divided, with the bottom sts on one needle, and the top sts on a second needle. Cut yarn leaving 8" tail. Use tapestry or yarn needle to weave (also called "grafting" or "Kitchener Stitch") toe of sock together. Weave in loose ends on inside of sock.						