

Baby Knee Socks

designed by Jil Eaton

Classic Elite Yarns

The Yarn

MinnowMerino

100% extra fine superwash merino

MinnowMerino is a super-soft, machine-washable, worsted-weight yarn in Jil's signature palette. The loose twist of this single-ply, extra-fine merino allows for quick knits that are cozy and lightweight. The colors are clean, bright, and saturated—with the allure of a freshly opened box of crayons.

Visit the www.minnowknits.com to sign up for MinnowNotes—quarterly messages filled with MinnowInfo.



Skill Level: Easy

SIZE: 6-12 months

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

5¼" foot and cuff circumference;
3¾" long foot; 4¼" long cuff

YARN

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(100% superfine superwash Merino;
50 g = approx 77 yards)

1 hank each:

MC – 4719 Icy Pinque

CC – 4702 Icy Citrine

NEEDLES

Double pointed needles in size US 7
(4.5 mm) or size to obtain gauge.

OTHER MATERIALS

Tapestry needle

GAUGE

19 sts and 26 rows = 4" in St st. **Take time to save time, check your gauge.**





ABBREVIATIONS

approx: approximately
CC: contrast color
CO: cast on
dec('d): decrease(d)
dpn(s): double pointed needle(s)
k: knit
k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
LH: left hand
MC: main color
meas: measure(s)
p: purl
p2tog: purl 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
pc: piece
rem: remain(ning)
rep: repeat
RH: right hand
rnd(s): round(s)
RS: right side
ssk: (slip, slip, knit) slip 2 sts, 1 at a time, knitwise to the RH needle; insert tip of LH needle into the fronts of the two slipped sts and use RH needle to knit them together (1 st dec'd)
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side

PATTERN STITCHES

1 x 1 Rib (even number of sts)
All rnds: *K1, p1; rep from * around.

Stockinette Stitch (St st)

Knit all sts, every rnd.

Pick up and knit: Insert RH needle into fabric, wrap yarn around needle and pull through.

Kitchener Stitch:

Visit our website: <http://www.classicelityarns.com/WebLetter/Stitches/Grafting/Grafting.php>

NOTE

When working stripes on sock cuff, carry unused color along WS of work, do not cut.

SOCK

Cuff: With MC, CO 24 sts and distribute evenly onto 3 dpns (8 sts each needle). Join to work in the rnd, being careful to not twist sts. Work in 1 x 1 Rib for 4 rnds.

Stripes: *Knit 2 rnds in CC, knit 2 rnds in MC; rep from * 5 times more - six CC stripes completed - pc meas approx 4¼".

Rearrange sts on 3 dpns as follows:

Needle 1: 12 sts for heel.

Needle 2: 6 sts on for instep.

Needle 3: 6 sts on for instep.

Heel Flap: With MC, work back and forth in rows over 12 heel sts on Needle 1:

Row 1 (RS): *K1, slip 1 st purlwise; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 2 (WS): Purl.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until heel flap meas approx 1", ending after a RS row.

Turn Heel with Short Rows

Row 1 (WS): Slip 1 st purlwise, p4, p2tog, p1, turn - 11 sts.

Row 2 (RS): Slip 1 st purlwise, k1, ssk, k1, turn - 10 sts.

Row 3: Slip 1 st purlwise, p2, p2tog, p1, turn - 9 sts.

Row 4: Slip 1 st purlwise, k3, ssk, k1, turn - 8 sts.

Row 5: Slip 1 st purlwise, p4, p2tog, p1 - 7 sts.

Gusset

Needle 1: With RS of heel flap facing pick up and knit 6 sts along right edge of heel flap; Needle 2: Knit next 12 sts for instep; Needle 3: Pick up and knit 5 sts along left edge of heel flap and knit 4 sts from Needle 1 - 30 sts; 9 sts each on Needles 1 and 3; 12 sts on Needle 2.

Shape Gusset, Dec Rnd: Needle 1: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; Needle 2: Knit; Needle 3: K1, ssk, knit to end - 2 sts dec'd.

Work one rnd even.

Rep last 2 rnds twice more - 24 sts.

Foot

Knit even until foot meas 3" from back of heel flap.

Shape Toe, Dec Rnd

Needle 1: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; Needle 2: K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1; Needle 3: k1, ssk, knit to end - 4 sts dec'd.

Work 1 rnd even.

Rep the last 2 rnds twice more - 12 sts.

Graft Toe Sts Together: Slip sts from Needles 1 and 3 onto a single needle - 6 sts on each of two needles. Holding needles parallel, graft sts together with Kitchener st.