

Leg

Band

With waste yarn and using a provisional method (see Glossary, page 121), CO 9 sts. Purl

1 row. Work these 9 sts in band pattern (see Stitch guide) I-cord method (see Glossary,

page 124) for 72 rows. The loops of yarn across the back of work will be noticeable, but they are useful for keeping track of the number of rows worked. (Note: The first and last sts will roll under to form rounded edges. The band will twist as you go but will straighten out when sts are picked up later for the leg.) Carefully remove waste yarn from provisional CO and place 9 live sts onto a separate dpn. With yarn threaded on a tapestry needle, use the Kitchener st (see Glossary, page 123) to graft live sts tog, forming a ring.

Leg

With RS facing and beg 18 sts to right of graft, pick up and knit 72 sts around band, working into the back loop of each st on the band edge. Arrange sts evenly on 3 dpn, place marker (pm), and join for working in the rnd. Rnd begs at outside of leg. Beg with set-up rnd, work 36 sts of Leg chart 2 times. Work Rnds 1–14 three times, then work Rnds 1–7 once more.

Heel

Heel Flap

The heel is worked back and forth on the first 36 sts of rnd; rem 36 sts will be worked later for instep.

Row 1: (RS) *SI 1 pwise with yarn in back (wyb), k1; rep from * and *at the same time* dec 4 sts evenly spaced—32 sts rem.

Row 2: (WS) SI 1 pwise with yarn in front (wyf), purl to end.

Row 3: *SI 1 pwise wyb, k1; rep from *. Rep Rows 2 and 3 until a total of 24 rows have been worked, ending with Row 2—12 chain sts along each selvedge edge.

Turn Heel

Work short-rows to shape heel as foll:

Row 1: (RS) K18, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, turn work.

Row 2: (WS) SI 1 pwise wyf, p5, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 3: Knit to 1 st before gap formed on previous row, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, turn.

Row 4: SI 1, purl to 1 st before gap formed on previous row, p2tog (1 st each side of gap), p1, turn.

Rep Rows 3 and 4 until all sts have been worked, ending with a WS row.

Shape Gussets

Pick up sts along selvedge edges of heel flap and rejoin for working in the rnd as foll:

Rnd 1: With Needle 1, knit heel sts then pick up and knit 12 sts along side of heel flap; with Needle 2, work Rnd 8 of chart across 36 instep sts; with Needle 3, pick up and knit 12 sts along other side of heel flap then knit first 9 heel sts from Needle 1 again—78 sts total. Rnd begins at center of heel.

Rnd 2: On Needle 1, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, p1; on Needle 2, work Rnd 9 of Leg chart across 36 sts; on Needle 3, p1, ssk, knit to end—2 sts dec'd.

Rnd 3: On Needle 1, knit to last st, p1; on Needle 2, work in patt as established; on