

Row 40: Sl 1, k2tog, k7, p1—10 sts.

Row 41: Sl 1, sl 1, k1, pss0, k7—9 sts.

Row 42: Sl 1, k2tog, k5, p1—8 sts.

Row 43: Sl 1, sl 1, k1, pss0, k5—7 sts.

Row 44: Sl 1, k2tog, k3, p1—6 sts.

Row 45: Sl 1, sl 1, k1, pss0, k3—5 sts.

Row 46: Sl 1, k2tog, k1, p1—4 sts.

Row 47: Sl 1, sl 1, k2tog, pss0—2 sts.

Row 48: K2tog—1 st.

Draw yarn through loop.

With a tapestry needle, sew counterpane squares together. Align squares together so that the leaf motifs are at the centers. Stitch upper and lower squares together horizontally. Then stitch the 4 sections together vertically, making one large square. Rep with other 4 sections to make a second large square. Sew both squares together vertically, forming a tube. **Cuff:** With CC and right side facing, pick up and knit 96 sts in front and back of loops around top of stocking. Turn stocking to WS so that RS of cuff will face outwards when folded over. Knit cir for 3 inches. Purl 1 round for turning edge. Change to border pattern for 3½" (9 cm).

**Lace Border:** (Barbara Walker, *A Treasury of Knitting Patterns*)

*Rnd 1 and all odd rnds:* Knit.

*Rnd 2:* \*YO, k2, sl 1, k2tog, pss0, k2, yo, k1, repeat from \*.

Bind off following an odd round.

Weave in loose ends with tapestry needle.

## HEEL

With four dpn, pick up and knit 80 sts around lower edge of counterpane squares, beginning at a seam at the middle of the stocking. Knitting into the front and back of alternate loops will give you 80 sts. **Heel flap:** On the 4th and 1st needle, work across 42 sts and place them onto a stitch holder. Knit across 38 sts. Cont knitting in garter st across the 38 sts only for 3" (7.5 cm). On both sides of heel work edge loops as follows: At beg of row, k1tbl and at end of row slip the last st purlwise keeping yarn at front of work.

**Turn heel:** Work in garter st with decorative decrease.

Row 1: (RS) K22, sl 1, k1, pss0, turn.

Row 2: Sl 1 purlwise, k7, p2tog, turn.

Row 3: Sl 1 knitwise, k7, sl 1, k1, pss0, turn.

Row 4: Sl 1, k7, p2tog, turn.

Row 5: Sl 1, k7, sl 1, k1, pss0, turn.

Cont to work back and forth as above, dec 1 st each row until 10 sts rem.

Row 29: (RS) K5, place marker to mark beg of gusset rnds.

## FOOT

**Gusset:** With needle #1, k5 across second half of heel sts, pick up and