Totally Tubular Socks

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Tube socks are the perfect beginner socks – no heel flaps, no heel shaping, and no gussets to pick up! They are also ideal to gift since they are sized for all ages and thick enough to keep feet comfy and warm in any winter boot.

*Designed by Lisa Ellis*

**Skill level:** Easy 🌌

**Sizes:** Baby (Child, Adolescent, Adult)

**Finished measurements:**
- Foot circumference: 5½ (6½, 8, 9½)”
- Length: 8½ (11, 17½, 19)”

**Yarn weight:**

- Yarn used: Simpliworsted by HiKoo

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**MATERIALS**

- Simpliworsted by HiKoo, 55% merino superwash, 28% acrylic, 17% nylon (140 yds/100g)

**Baby and child versions**
1 skein in each of colors 029 Blue (MC), 001 White, 007 Green, 033 Purple, 016 Red

**Adolescent and adult versions**
2 skeins in color 036 Light Grey
1 skein in each of colors 001 White, 038 Dark Grey, 016 Red

- U.S. size 6 (4mm) set of 4 DPNs, or size required for gauge
- Yarn needle

**DETAILS**

**Gauge**
20 sts and 30 rows = 4” (10cm) in patt

**SOCK**

**Trim**
With first color choice (not MC), cast on 28 (32, 40, 48) sts. Pm and join, being careful not to twist the sts. Work in k1, p1 rib for 1 rnd.

*Cut yarn and join next color choice. Knit 1 rnd.

Next rnd: Work in k1, p1 rib.
Rep from * until there are 5 (5, 4, 4) colored stripes; 10 (10, 8, 8) rnds total.

**Leg**
Join MC and knit 1 rnd. Beg stitch patt as follows:
- Rnd 1: *K3, p1; rep from * to end.
- Rnd 2: Knit.
- Rnd 3: *K1, p1; rep from * to end.
- Rnd 4: Knit.
Rep rnds 1–4 for patt.

**Sizes Adolescent and Adult only**
Rep same 4 colored stripes again; - (-, 8, 8) colored stripes; - (-, 16, 16) rnds total.

**Sizes Baby and Child only**
Work until leg measures 7 (9½, -, -)” from beg.

**Shape toe**
Pm after st 14 (16, -, -) to evenly divide sock.
- Rnd 1: *K1, ssk, knit to 3 sts before next marker, k2tog, k1; rep from * to end; 4 sts dec.

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Rnd 2: Knit.
Rep rnds 1 and 2 until 8 sts rem.
Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail. Graft toe using Kitchener st.

Sizes Adolescent and Adult only
Work until leg measures - (-, 6 (7)" from beg.
Place an open sm after st - (-, 10, 12) for calf shaping.

Shape calf
Rnd 1: K1, k2tog, work in patt to last 2 sts, ssk; 2 sts dec.
Rnds 2–8: Work in patt.
Rep rnds 1–8 three more times; - (-, 32, 40) sts.
Work even in patt until leg measures - (-, 16, 17½")•

Shape toe
Pm after st - (-, 8, 10) and another st marker after st - (-, 24, 30) to evenly divide sock. Dec at these markers only; not original beg of rnd marker (which is now at center back).
Rnd 1: *K1, ssk, knit to 3 sts before next marker, k2tog, k1; rep from * to end; 4 sts dec.
Rnd 2: Knit.
Rep rnds 1 and 2 until 8 sts rem.
Cut yarn leaving an 8" tail. Graft toe using Kitchener st.

FINISHING
Weave in ends. Block. □