

Sockapalooza 4 Socks

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1 skein [Cider Moon Glacier](#) (253 yds/110 g) in “Jackie O.” or any dk weight sock yarn.
3mm double pointed needles. You might want a 2.5 mm needle for picking up the provisional cast on to knit in when turning the picot hem.
Gauge: 6.5 stitches per inch in stockinette.

Knit from the cuff down.

Cast on 56 stitches using provisional cast on.

Join to knit in the round. Mark Start of round and divide stitches in multiples of 8 (16-16-24). Knit 7 rounds.

Make Picot: Row 1: K2tog, YO around.

Row 2: knit all

Knit 6 more rounds. (You should have the cast on row + 7 rounds, eyelet round, 7 rounds.)

Transfer provisional stitches to spare needle. Tip: sometimes it's easier to use a slightly smaller needle for this. I used a 2.5mm. Also, transfer only the matching number of stitches at once. If needle 1 has 16 stitches, then transfer 16 stitches.)

Fold over the hem and knit in.

Begin leg: round 1: (K4, P1, YO, K2tog, P1) 7 times
round 2 and 3: (K4, P1, K2, P1) 7 times
round 4: (K4, P1, K2tog, YO, P1) 7 times
round 5 and 6: (K4, P1, K2, P1) 7 times



Or in chart form:

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Pattern Stitch:

| = purl • = knit ○ = yarn over / = knit two together

	/	○		•	•	•	•	1
	•	•		•	•	•	•	2
	•	•		•	•	•	•	3
	○	/		•	•	•	•	4
	•	•		•	•	•	•	5
	•	•		•	•	•	•	6

Continue in pattern for about 5 inches, ending with row 6. (I did 7 repeats)

** A little trick to centre the pattern on the instep – knit the first 4 stitches from needle 1 onto needle 3. Hold 3 1/2 pattern repeats on needles 1 & 2, beginning and ending with a lace panel (28 stitches). These are the instep stitches. Work the heel back and forth on the 28 stitches on needle 3, which now start and end with a 4 stitch column of stockinette.

Make Heel:



Here's where it helps to have knitted a sock before...

You can use any heel you like, but I recommend a short row heel for this sock. End the first half of heel shaping when there are 10 unpaired/unwrapped stitches.

I used the Priscilla Gibson-Roberts Short Row heel, following these directions: Budd, Ann, "Working Socks from the Toe Up"; Interweave Knits; Summer 2007, pg 24-29.

You can also find it described here:

http://www.knittingdaily.com/freepatterns/legwear/Ambrosia_Socks_174-1.html

(This looks like a great pattern, must add it to the list!)

Here's a picture tutorial for a wrapped short row heel: <http://www.cosmicpluto.com/blog/?p=585>

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Instep:

Arrange stitches so that the 28 instep stitches are on needle one with 14 stitches on each of needles 2 and 3. The round starts at the corner between needles 3 and 1 (at the start of the instep stitches)

Continue working in pattern stitch as established over the instep and in stockinette over the foot to 2" less than desired length.

Make toe:

Again, you can use any toe you like. This is a basic wedge toe.

Round 1 Needle 1(instep): K1, K2Tog, knit to last 3 stitches, SSK, K1

Needle 2: K1, K2tog, knit to end

Needle 3: knit to last 3 stitches, SSK, K1

Round 2 Knit

Continue these 2 rounds until there are 20 stitches remaining.

On last plain round knit the stitches from needle 3 onto needle 2. You should have 10 stitches on each needle.

Finish sock with Kitchener stitch (or a 3 needle bind-off) and weave in ends.



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