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Thanks to Pam for the great name for these socks!

Construction: Top Down with 2 needles.
 Gauge: 8 stitches per inch
 Needle Size: US 1 / 2.5 mm
 Materials: 100 grams sock weight wool, sample worked in Regia 5171

Pattern:

Ribbing and Leg:

Cast on 72 stitches. Join in a ring being careful not to twist. Divide stitches over 2 needles (36,36). Begin knitting with K2, P2 or your desired ribbing pattern and knit circularly for approximately 1 1/2 inches. Beginning with Needle 1, knit in leg pattern for 4 repetitions of chart or desired leg height is reached.

This pattern calls for a repeating motif of 6 stitches and 18 rows.

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6	5	4	3	2	1		

R1: K3, P3, rep
 R2: K
 R3: K3, P3, rep
 R4: K
 R5: K3, P3, rep
 R6-9: K
 R10: P3, K3, rep
 R11: K
 R12: P3, K3, rep
 R13: K
 R14: P3, K3, rep
 R15-18: K

Abbreviations:

K: knit
 P: purl
 Rep: repeat sequence of stitches until end of row

Pattern Notes:

Be aware that it is easy to form "ladders" when starting rows with purl stitches. Watch your tension carefully.

Begin Heel:

NOTE: Heel is worked in rows on 36 stitches.

Heel Pattern:

Row 1 Slip 1, *k1, slip 1 repeat across from *

Row 2 and 4 Slip 1, purl across

Row 3 Slip 1, *slip 1, k1 repeat across from * until the last 2 stitches, k2.

Knit in heel pattern until you have 36 heel flap rows. Heel flap shape should be close to square. End with a purl row.

Turn Heel as follows:

Row 1: Sl 1, K19 sts, K2 tog, K1 turn

Row 2: Sl 1, P5 sts, P2 tog, P1, turn

Row 3: Sl 1, K6 sts, K2 tog, K1, turn

Row 4: Sl 1, P7, P2 tog, P1, turn

Repeat rows 3 and 4, increasing 1 additional K or P stitch after the Sl 1 until all side stitches are consumed. End with a purl row.

Gusset:

Rnd 1: With needle 1, knit across heel flap. Pick up and knit 18 stitches from the side of the heel flap plus knit one stitch in the gusset corner. Knit in pattern across needle 2.

Rnd 2: Using a spare needle, pick up one stitch in the gusset corner and 18 stitches from the side of the heel flap. Using needle 1, knit these stitches. Knit the remaining stitches on needle 1 and knit in pattern across needle 2. Stitch count is (59,36) respectively.

Gusset Decrease and Sock Foot:

Rnd 1:

Needle 1: K1, SSK, knit until the last 3 stitches k2 tog, k1.

Needle 2: Work in pattern around.

Rnd 2: Work in pattern around.

Repeat these 2 rounds until total stitches equal 72. (36,36)

Sock Foot:

Continue knitting in stockinette on needle 1 and in pattern on needle 2 (if desired) for three repetitions of pattern chart or until you are approximately 1 1/2 to 2 inches from the top of your longest toe. Knit one row around.

Shape Toe:

Rnd 1:

Needle 1: K1, SSK, knit until the last 3 sts, K2 tog, K1

Needle 2: K1, SSK, knit until the last 3 stitches, k2 tog, k1.

Rnd 2: Knit around

Continue in this manner until you have approximately 28 stitches remaining or until sock has your desired toe shape. Graft toe closed.

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