

Yarn on the Square

Olympic socks

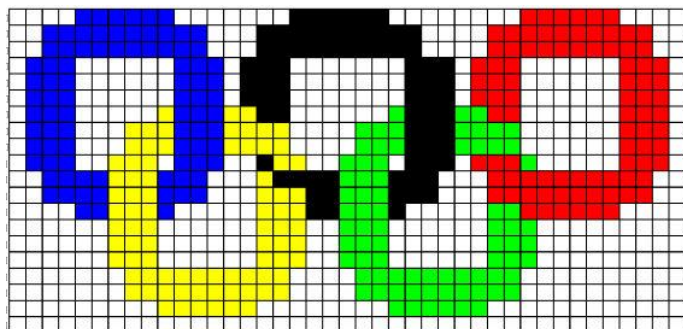
Skill level : Intermediate

Yarn : 4ply sock yarn in white

Small amounts of same in blue, yellow, black, green and red.

Needles : set of five 2.5mm dpns

Other Materials : stitch marker and tapestry needle.



Special abbreviations:

N1: needle 1

N2: needle 2

N3: needle 3

Sl1 : Slip one stitch purlwise

Tension :

38 rows with 36 stitches to Make a 10cm sq.

Directions:

Cuff:

With background yarn cast on 72stitches

Divide sts onto three dpns as follows N1: 18 st ,N2: 36st, N3: 18st

- ❖ Join in the round
- ❖ Rnd 1: (k2,p2) rpt to end
- ❖ Repeat Rnd 1 until work measures 2.5 cm

Leg :

- ❖ Rnd 1: k
- ❖ Rnd 2: k34,k2tog, k to end. 71 sts
- ❖ Rnds 3-10 : k
- ❖ Rnd 11 : k15, begin first row of olympic ring chart thus placing ring pattern centrally on front of sock leg. K15 to finish round.
- ❖ Rnds 12- 32 continue working chart as above., with background colour either side of central pattern.
- ❖ Continue working in background yarn until leg measures ***** cm
- ❖ Next row : K 53,commence heel flap over remaining 18 stitches on N3 and first 18 stitches on N1 (you may wish to transfer these 36 stitches onto fifth needle at this time.)

Work heel flap :

Using only these 36 stitches on N5 continue as follows:

K 36 sts turn

S1 purlwise, purl to end

Row 1: (S1 purlwise, k1) repeat to end

Row 2 : S1 purlwise, purl to end

Repeat these two rows 13 times.

Turn heel

Row 1 : k18, ssk, k1, turn

Row 2 : S1, p1,p2tog,p1,turn

Row 3 : S1, k2,ssk,k1,turn

Row 4 : S1, p3, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 5 : S1, k4, ssk, k1, turn

Row 6 : S1, p5, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 7 : S1, k6, ssk, k1, turn

Row 8 : S1, p7, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 9 : S1, k8, ssk, k1, turn

Row 10 : S1, p9, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 11 : S1, k10, ssk, k1, turn

Row 12: S1, p11, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 13: S1, k12, ssk, k1, turn

Row 14 : S1, p13, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 15: S1, k14, ssk, k1, turn

Row 16: S1, p15, p2tog,p1, turn

Row 17: S1, k16, ssk, k1, turn

Row 18: S1, p16, p2tog,p1, turn

Knit 9 sts, place marker (beginning of round),

With a new needle, K9 remaining stitches (N1). Continuing with the same needle, pick up and knit 16 stitches along the side of the heel flap. Pick up and knit one stitch from row below the first instep stitch to prevent a hole. (N1= 26 sts)

With a new needle , work across 35 instep stitches. (N2= 36 sts)

With a new needle , pick up and knit one from the row below the first heel stitch to prevent a hole, with the same needle pick up and knit 16 sts along the heel flap and work across remaining heel stitches, (N3= 26 stitches). 88 sts total.

Shape Gusset :

❖ Rnd 1: N1: Work to last three stitches, K2tog, K1; N2 (Instep) k; N3: k1, ssk, k to end

❖ Rnd 2: k

❖ Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until there are 70 sts remaining.

Foot:

- ❖ Rnds 1- 26 : With background colour k .
- ❖ Decrease round : N1 : k; N2 : k1,k2tog, k to last three sts, ssk, k1; k1; N3: K (68 sts)
- ❖ Cont to k each round until the piece measures to the base of recipients big toe, begin toe shaping:

❖ Rnd1 : (dec round) N1: k to last three sts, K2tog, K1; N3:k1, ssk, k to end.

❖ Rnd 2 : k

❖ Repeat Rnds 1 and 2 until 48 sts remain

❖ Work only dec rounds until 20 sts remain

❖ N1 : knit, slip sts from N3 onto N1, graft remaining sts using kitchener stitch.

Weave in ends.