

Christmas Stocking basic pattern



- Pattern rating \* Easy to knit.
- Suitable for all standard gauge punchcard & electronic machines.
- Tension
  - 28 stitches & 40 rows = 10 cm (4 ins) over stocking stitch tension dial setting approx 7
  - 28 stitches & 40 rows = 10 cm (4 ins) over fair-isle pattern tension dial setting approx 8 (MT+2)

## Christmas Stockings knitted from Toe to Top

- Materials:
  - 150 grams of 4 ply yarn for main colour (MC)
  - oddments of contrasting colours
- Measurements
  - Length to top of heel 67 cm (26 ½ ins)
  - Foot length 30.5 cm (12 ins)



### Instructions:

- Push 51 needles at left of centre 0 to WP. Using MT and waste yarn, cast on and knit a few rows ending with carriage at left.
- Set RC at 000. Using contrast colour, knit 1 row.
- **Shape heel:** \* push 2 needles at opposite end to carriage to HP on next 16 rows & 1 needle on following 2 rows.
- Bring back 1 needle on next 2 rows and 2 needles on next 16 rows\*
- Using MC, knit 88 rows, using contrast colour. knit 1 row.
- **Shape toe:** Work as for heel from \* to \*.
- Using MC, knit 88 rows. RC shows 250.
- Push 51 needles at right of centre 0 to WP. With purl side facing, pick up stitch from first row worked in contrast colour and place onto needles. Unravel waste yarn. 102 stitches.
- **Shape leg:** Using fair-isle pattern or motif of your choice, lock onto the first row. Set RC at 000. Using MC, knit 10 rows.
- Start pattern row and continue in full fair-isle or single motif fair-isle over the centre 24 needles using MC and contrast colour, knit 9 rows. Shape sides by increasing 1 stitch at each end on the next row and every following 10<sup>th</sup> row until there are 132 stitches. Knit 30 rows. Using MC knit 10 rows. RC shows 200.
- **Eyelet holes for cord or ribbon (optional):** knit 2 rows. Transfer every 3<sup>rd</sup> stitch on to adjacent needle. Leave empty needles in WP. Knit 2 rows.
- **Cuff:** Using chosen pattern, lock onto first row. Using MT+2 and contrast colour, knit 10 rows in st st, knit 47 rows in fair-isle pattern then knit 11 rows in st st. Using MT, knit 68 rows.
- Make a hem by placing loops of first row worked in contrast colour on cuff on to corresponding needles. Knit 1 row. Cast off.



- **Making up:** Press with wrong side facing, pin out to measurements given, pressing carefully, following instructions given by yarn manufacturers. Join leg and foot seams. Thread cord or ribbon through eyelet holes.

## Christmas Stocking with No Heel Shape

- Materials:
  - 150 grams 4 ply (MC)
  - oddments of contrasting colours

Size: Approx 65cms length.

### Instructions: (Knit 2)

- **Toe:** Push 8 needles at left & right of centre 0 to WP (16 needles)
- Using MC cast on by hand. RC 000, MT knit 2 rows.
- Increase 3 st every 2<sup>nd</sup> row 3 times.
- Increase 2 st every 2<sup>nd</sup> row 2 times.
- Increase 1 st every 2<sup>nd</sup> row 16 times. 74 st, RC 44.
- **Leg:** RC 000, using MC & contrast colour, knit in chosen fair-isle pattern to RC 270.
- Using MC, knit 2 rows. Transfer every 3<sup>rd</sup> stitch on to adjacent needle. Leave empty needles in WP. Knit 2 rows.
- **Cuff:** Change to alternative fair-isle or stripes of 4 rows, and continue knitting to RC 360. Cast off.
- **Cord:** Push 3 needles to WP. Cast on using `e` wrap method. Using MT-3, knit 155 rows. Cast off.
- To make up: Steam carefully, and join pieces together. Thread cord through eyelet holes. Fold cuff in half.

