



## Country Girl Socks

Dainty and dignified lace-patterned socks for the country girl at heart. Socks are slightly shaped below calf for a trim fit at ankle. Notch-edged bias lace panel ribbing at cuff transitions into an arrow-head lace pattern, that narrows toward the ankle and continues into the instep. The arrow-head lace then changes into subtle ribbing along top of foot.

### Sizing

Adult medium

### Yarn and Needles

Fingering weight sock yarn (15 - 17 wraps per inch), approximately 375 yards

**Size 1 us (2.5 mm)** double point needles, set of 4 (or size to achieve gauge)

**Gauge:** 8 stitches per inch over stockinette stitch

**Skill Level:** Intermediate knitter

**Pictured model** was knitted in 2-ply yarn handspun from hand-dyed wool.

## Abbreviations and Special Techniques

Note: Instructions are written assuming you are knitting stitches off your left-hand needle point onto your right-hand needle point. If you are working instead from right to left, please adjust instructions to agree with your direction of work.

**center double decrease** - slip 2 stitches together as to knit, knit 1, pass both slipped sts as though they were one stitch over the knit 1 stitch

**eor** - end-of-round

**k** - knit

**k2tog** - knit 2 stitches together

**ndl(s)** - needle(s)

**p** - purl

**p2tog** - purl 2 stitches together

**rep** - repeat(ing)

**rep from \*** - repeat all instructions from the previous asterisk

**rnd(s)** - round(s)

**RS** - right side (the side of the knitted fabric worn to the outside)

**sl** - slip

**sl 1 wyib** - slip 1 stitch as if to purl while keeping yarn to back of work

**sl 1 wyif** - slip 1 stitch as if to purl while keeping yarn to front of work

**SSK** - slip 1 stitch as if to knit, and then slip another stitch as if to knit; insert left needle tip into the 2 slipped stitches from left to right and knit these 2 stitches together

**st(s)** - stitch(es)

**WS** - wrong side (the side of the knitted fabric worn to the inside)

**wyib** - with yarn in back of work

**wyif** - with yarn in front of work

**yo** - yarn over

**Tension Tip:** To avoid a loose running thread between a knit or SSK stitch and a purl stitch (especially when going from one double point needle to the next), pay special attention to tension as follows: work the knit or SSK stitch as usual; **after** making the purl stitch (but before beginning next stitch), bring the purl stitch as close as possible to the previous stitch and pull yarn firmly.