# marigold socks

YARN: 1 skein Fleece Artist Merino Sock, shown in Saffron

**NEEDLES:** 2.25mm double-pointed or circular needles, or other size to achieve gauge **GAUGE:** 8.5 stitches per inch in stockinette stitch

**FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:** 8-inch leg circumference, unstretched. Will stretch comfortably up to 10.5 inches.

**SIZING:** Pattern is written for size Medium. If you'd like to make these socks in a different size or at a different gauge, please see the end of the pattern for alternate instructions. Keep in mind that the lace pattern has quite a bit of stretch. And please feel free to contact me with questions!







For detailed instructions on knitting short row toes and heels, see Wendy's tutorial at [http://wendyknits.net/knit/DetailedToeUp.pdf].

#### [FIRST HALF OF TOE]

With a provisional cast-on, cast on 32 stitches.

Row 1: Knit 31 stitches. Wrap and turn. Row 2: Purl to the last stitch. Wrap and turn. Row 3: Knit to 1 stitch before unworked stitch. Wrap and turn. Row 4: Purl to 1 stitch before unworked stitch. Wrap and turn. Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until there are 14 stitches "live" in the middle and 9 stitches are wrapped on each side, ending with a purl row.

#### [SECOND HALF OF TOE]

Row 1: Knit 14. On the next stitch, pick up and knit the wrap with the stitch. Wrap and turn.

Row 2: Purl to first wrapped stitch. Pick up and purl the wrap with the stitch. Wrap and turn.

Row 3: Knit to next wrapped stitch. Pick up both wraps and knit them with the stitch. Wrap and turn.

Row 4: Purl to next wrapped stitch. Pick up both wraps and purl them with the stitch. Wrap and turn.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until you have worked all the stitches – 32 stitches.

Unzip the provisional cast-on and put the live stitches on a second needle (or onto the other half of your one long circular, or onto two DPNs). Knit 3 rounds in stockinette.

# [FOOT]

NOTE: In order to make the pair symmetrical, the foot is worked differently for each sock. For sizes XS and L, both feet are worked the same.

- **SOCK #1:** K2, place marker, work Row 1 of the lace chart 3 times over next 27 stitches, place marker, K3. The 32 stitches that make up the top of the foot will now include 27 lace stitches and 5 stockinette border stitches (2 on one side and 3 on the other). Work remaining 32 sole stitches in plain stockinette. Move on to Row 2 of the lace chart.

- **SOCK #2:** K3, place marker, work Row 1 of the lace chart 3 times over next 27 stitches, place marker, K2. The 32 stitches that make up the top of the foot will now include 27 lace stitches and 5 stockinette border stitches (3 on one side and 2 on the other). Work remaining 32 sole stitches in plain stockinette. Move on to Row 2 of the lace chart.

Continue to work the foot as established, working the lace chart 3 times between markers, until the foot is 1.5 inches shorter than desired length, ending with Row 7 of lace chart.

#### [FIRST HALF OF HEEL]

- Set aside the 32 stitches for the top of the foot (27 laces stitches and 5 border stitches). The heel will be worked over the 32 sole stitches.

Row 1: Knit 31 stitches. Wrap and turn.

Row 2: Purl to the last stitch. Wrap and turn.

Row 3: Knit to 1 stitch before unworked stitch. Wrap and turn.

Row 4: Purl to 1 stitch before unworked stitch. Wrap and turn.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until there are 14 stitches "live" in the middle and 9 stitches are wrapped on each side, ending with a purl row.

#### [SECOND HALF OF HEEL]

Row 1: Knit 14. On the next stitch, pick up and knit the wrap with the stitch. Wrap and turn. Row 2: Purl to first wrapped stitch. Pick up and purl the wrap with the stitch. Wrap and turn. Row 3: Knit to next wrapped stitch. Pick up both wraps and knit them with the stitch. Wrap and turn.

Row 4: Purl to next wrapped stitch. Pick up both wraps and purl them with the stitch. Wrap and turn.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until you have worked all the stitches – 32 heel stitches. Resume working in the round, with all 64 stitches.

Next round: Continue in established pattern, working the lace chart and border stitches over the first 32 stitches. When you reach the 32 stockinette stitches (now the back of the leg), K2tog and work to the end of the round – 63 sts. (To make socks perfectly symmetrical, you can K30, K2tog on Sock #2.)

Work through the rest of the lace chart and border stitches (6 more rounds) on the first 32 stitches, continuing in stockinette on 31 stitches of the back of the leg.

## [LEG]

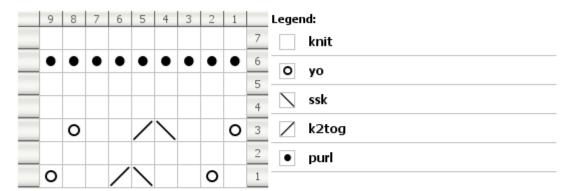
Keep the marker at the start of the first lace repeat—this will mark the beginning of leg rounds. Work the lace chart around the entire leg, removing the second marker. You will work the lace chart 7 times on each round.

Continue until the sock reaches desired height, ending with Row 5 of the lace chart.

# [CUFF]

Next round: You will need to increase or decrease 1 stitch in order to have an even number of stitches for the cuff ribbing. Depending on whether you want the top ribbing snugger or looser, either M1  $\underline{OR}$  K2tog at the beginning of the next round. Knit in 1x1 rib or twisted rib for 1 inch. Bind off with tubular or other flexible bind-off.

## MARIGOLD LACE CHART



Created in Knit Visualizer (www.knitfoundry.com)

#### Notes:

Pattern:
R1 (RS): k1, yo, k2, ssk, k2tog, k2, yo R2: k9
R2: k9
R3: yo, k2, ssk, k2tog, k2, yo, k1
R4: k9
R5: k9
R6: p9
R3: yo, k2, ssk, k2tog, k2, yo, k1 R4: k9 R5: k9 R6: p9 R7: k9

#### [ADDITIONAL SIZES]

- XS: 54-stitch circumference
- S: 60-stitch foot; 63-stitch leg circumference
- L: 72-stitch circumference

**Sizes XS (L):** Provisionally cast on 27 (36) stitches for short-row toe. Work toe. 54 (72) sts. Divide the stitches, with 27 (36) stitches for top of foot and 27 (36) stitches for sole.

**FOOT (same for both socks):** Work 3 (4) repeats of the lace chart across the top of the foot, and plain stockinette on the 27 (36) sole stitches.

**HEEL:** Work the heel over 27 (36) stitches instead of 32. After the heel is finished, resume knitting in the round, working through the 7 rows of the lace chart on the first 27 (36) stitches, and continuing in stockinette for the remaining 27 (36) stitches (now the back of the leg).

**LEG:** Beginning at the first marker, work the lace chart all the way around the leg. You will have 6 (8) repeats of the lace pattern for the leg rounds. When the sock reaches desired height, knit one inch of 1x1 rib or twisted rib for cuff.

**Size S:** Provisionally cast on 30 stitches for short-row toe. After working the toe, divide the stitches with 30 stitches for the top of the foot and 30 for the sole. Work the foot as follows:

- **SOCK #1:** K1. Place marker. Work Row 1 of the lace chart 3 times over the next 27 stitches. Place marker. K2. Work the remaining 30 stitches (the sole) in plain stockinette. The 30 stitches that make up the top of the foot will include 27 lace stitches and 3 stockinette border stitches (1 on one side and 2 on the other). Move on to Row 2 of the lace chart.

- **SOCK #2:** K2. Place marker. Work Row 1 of the lace chart 3 times over the next 27 stitches. Place marker. K1. Work the remaining 30 stitches (the sole) in plain stockinette. The 30 stitches that make up the top of the foot will include 27 lace stitches and 3 stockinette border stitches (2 on one side and 1 on the other). Move on to Row 2 of the lace chart.

**HEEL:** Work the heel over 30 stitches instead of 32. After the heel is finished, resume knitting in the round, continuing in established pattern. Knit through the first 6 rows of the lace chart and border stitches on the first 30 stitches, and continue in stockinette for the remaining 30 stitches (now the back of the leg).

When you reach Row 7 of the lace chart: Knit Row 7 of the lace chart 3 times. Knit border stitch(es). When you reach the 30 sole stitches, K1, M1, K14, M1, K14, M1, K1 – 63 stitches. Continue to work leg and cuff according to pattern instructions.

Comments? Questions? Corrections? Contact me at flintknits@gmail.com