

YARN

Happy Trails Sock Yarn (90% wool, 10% nylon, 132 yards [120 m]/50 g): Sagebrush (MC), 2 skeins; Rabbit Brush (CC1), Pinon (CC2), and Fleece (CC3), 1 skein each.

NEEDLES

Set of five double-pointed needles size 3 (3.25 mm) or size needed to obtain the correct gauge.

GAUGE

12 sts and 14 rounds = 2 inches (5 cm) in circular stockinette stitch before blocking.

FINISHED SIZE

About 8½ inches (21.5 cm) around foot and 9½ inches (24 cm) from top of leg to bottom of heel.

Note: Increase in next st by knitting into the front of the stitch and then knitting into the back of the same stitch.

LEG

With CC2, cast on 54 sts. Divide sts onto 4 needles, (12 sts on needles #1, #2, and #3 and 18 sts on needle #4). Join into a round, being careful not to twist sts. This join is the “seam” line and marks the beginning of all future rounds. Purl 1 round.

Next round: *K1, increase in next st, k2, k2tog; repeat from *.

Repeat the last round 2 more times. Change to MC and repeat last round 3 times. Change to CC1 and repeat last round 3 times.

Continue in stockinette stitch, following chart as indicated and increasing 1 st on Rounds 17 and 23. Adjust sts so there are 14 sts on each needle. The seam line is at the center back, between needles #1 and #4. Work to end of leg chart, ending last round ready to begin needle #4.

HEEL

Heel Flap

Begin with first st on needle #4. With CC2, knit 14 sts on needle #4 and 14 sts on needle #1 onto one needle, turn. P28, turn. These 28 sts form the heel flap. The remaining 28 sts will be held for the instep.

Row 1: *Sl 1, k1; repeat from *.

Row 2: Sl 1, p27.

Repeat the last 2 rows 13 more times for a total of 14 chain sts (see page 9) at each edge of heel flap.

Turn Heel

Row 1: Sl 1, k15, ssk, k1, turn.

Row 2: Sl 1, p5, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 3: Sl 1, knit to within one st of the gap, ssk, k1, turn.

Row 4: Sl 1, purl to within one st of the gap, p2tog, p1, turn.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until all heel sts are worked, ending last repeat of Row 3 with the ssk, and last repeat of Row 4 with the p2tog. There are 16 heel sts.

Heel Gussets

Continuing with CC2, knit 16 heel sts, pick up and knit 14 chain sts along right side of