

The Warren Christmas Stocking

Finished Measurements: Approximately 16 inches/40cm from cuff to bottom of the heel.

Materials: Plymouth Encore 75% acrylic, 25% wool. 1 skein white, 1 skein green and one skein red (quantities makes one Rebecca and one Jennifer stocking)

Size 8 US/5mm double pointed needles or size needed to obtain gauge, tapestry needle, 2 stitch markers

Gauge: 5 stitches to the inch in stockinette stitch. Save time, check the gauge.

Abbreviations:

Beg: beginning

BO: bind off

CO: cast on

Cont: continue

K2tog: knit two stitches together

ssk: slip, slip, knit 2 through the back loop

Sl: slip

St(s): stitch(es)



Jennifer color way: Color A: Green Color B: white Color C: red. This stocking has a green leg, white heel and red foot. There is a white strip at the cuff and a green toe.

Rebecca color way: Color A: Red. Color B: white. Color C: green. This stocking has a red leg, white heel and green foot. There is a white strip at the cuff and a red toe.

Choose which color way you would like to make and follow the Color designations in the pattern.

Directions:

CO 68 sts using the long tail cast on in Color A. CO an additional 16 stitches using a simple loop cast on. 86 total sts.

Row 1: Knit three stitches. BO the 2nd st. Knit the next 13 sts, bo as you go along, leaving the first st on the right hand needle. Knit the first stitch of the long tail st and sl the 1st over this. K1, (P2, K2) to last 2 st. P2.

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Round 2: Begin working in double rib pattern in the round, with the stitches evenly distributed over the needles.

Work in Color A for 1"

Change to Color B. Work in Stockinette st for 1". Change to Color A.

Work in Stockinette stitch until the total length is 5".

Begin calf decrease: SSK, knit to the last 2 st, K2tog. 66 stitches.

Repeat this decrease row 3 more times every 6th row.

Then repeat the decrease row 3 times every 4th row.

After 8 more rows, repeat the decrease row once more. 54 stitches.

Work even until total length is 12"

Switch to Color B.

Heel shaping:

Row 1: Knit 13 st, turn.

Row 2: Sl 1, purl 25, turn

Row 3: Sl 1, knit 25, turn.

Repeat rows 2 and 3 until the heel flap measures 2.5"/6 cm, ending with row 3.

Turning the heel:

Place a marker Pick up 9 sts in the sl st along the left heel flap. Work around the rest of the stitches and then pick up 9 sts on the right heel flap. Place a marker. Work to the marker and sl it.

Row 1: K2tog. Work to 2 st before the marker and ssk. Knit 25.

Row 2: Knit.

Work these 2 rows 8 times more. 54 stitches. Switch to Color C.

Foot:

Knit for 2". Switch to Color A.

Row 1: Knit 11, ssk, K2, K2tog, K21, ssk, K2, K2tog, K10

Row 2: Knit.

Repeat these 2 rows 7 more times. 22 stitches.

Finish the toe using the Kitchener stitch. Weave in ends. Block.

This pattern was recreated by Alanna Nelson in 2012 based on the stockings knit by the Warren family's neighbor Mary. The original pattern was knit on straight needles and had an attached loop.

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