

WEST YORKSHIRE SPINNERS

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Lace panel socks

Designed by Winwick Mum

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### Level



### Measurements (approximately)

To fit ball of foot circumference  
8 [8.5:9:9.5]in; 20 [22:23:24]cm

### Yarn

West Yorkshire Spinners  
– Signature 4ply Sparkle  
**Silent Night (906)** 1 x 100g

### Materials

2.5mm needles – short circular needle,  
DPNs or 80cm circular for magic loop  
1 set 3.0mm DPNs (optional for a looser cuff)  
1 set 2.5mm DPNs (not required for magic loop)  
Stitch holder (optional)  
Stitch markers  
Wool needle

### Tension

30 stitches to 4in; 10cm in stocking stitch  
(worked in the round) on 2.5mm needles  
Always use the size of needles to get the  
correct tension

### Abbreviations

<b>cm</b>	Centimetres
<b>DPNs</b>	Double pointed needles
<b>in(s)</b>	Inch(es)
<b>K</b>	Knit
<b>K2tog</b>	Knit two stitches together
<b>P</b>	Purl

<b>Sl1</b>	Slip 1 stitch purlwise holding yarn to the back of your work
<b>SSK</b>	Slip the first stitch on the left hand needle knitwise onto the right hand needle, slip the second stitch on the left hand needle purlwise onto the right hand needle, slip both stitches back onto the left hand needle and knit together through back loop
<b>St(s)</b>	Stitch(es)
<b>yo</b>	Bring yarn from back of work to front, wrapping over needle to work next stitch
<b>()</b>	Repeat instructions inside brackets

### Special abbreviations

**SK2pssso** Slip the next stitch from the left hand needle to the right hand needle, knit the next two stitches together then pass the slipped stitch over the stitches just knitted

### Pattern notes

These socks are knitted on 2.5mm needles, not 3.25mm as stated on the ball band. This will produce a different tension but will ensure a firmer, more hard-wearing fabric for your socks. The ideal tension for these socks is 30 stitches to 4in; 10cm so use 2.5mm or whatever size needles are required to reach that tension and do check that your knitted fabric is firm but not stiff.

It is often easier to cast on using DPNs before changing to the short circular needle. If you want to use magic loop you will be able to cast on with the larger circular needle if you prefer to do so, but remember not to pull your cast on stitches too tight. If you use DPNs, you might find it easiest to cast on and work 2 rows before dividing the stitches across the needles.

When working from a chart you will read all rounds from right to left.

## PATTERN

Using Silent Night, cast on 60 [64:68:72] sts using 3.0mm double pointed needles. The pattern has been written for a cast on with straight needles; if you wish to join into the round straight away, work row 1 twice and omit row 2.

Work rib as follows:

### 60 sts (30 sts twice)

**Row 1:** K2, P2, K3, P2, (K2, P1) 3 times, K2, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1, turn. (30 sts)

**Row 2:** Work all knit and purl stitches as they present themselves, turn.

### 64 sts (32 sts twice)

**Row 1:** (K3, P2) twice, (K2, P1) 3 times, K2, (P2, K3) twice, P1, turn. (32 sts)

**Row 2:** Work all knit and purl stitches as they present themselves, turn.

### 68 sts (34 sts twice)

**Row 1:** K1, P1, K2, P2, K3, P2, (K2, P1) 3 times, K2, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1, K2, turn. (34 sts)

**Row 2:** Work all knit and purl stitches as they present themselves, turn.

### 72 sts (36 sts twice)

**Row 1:** K1, P2, K2, P2, K3, P2, (K2, P1) 3 times, K2, P2, K3, (P2, K2) twice, turn. (36 sts)

**Row 2:** Work all knit and purl stitches as they present themselves, turn.

Change to a 2.5mm short circular needle, magic loop or divide the stitches across DPNs and join into a circle, place marker. You will sew up the small gap where you knitted the first two rows later.

Continue in rib as set for your size for 14 more rounds or until desired length of rib.

Using either the chart or the written instructions continue to work each round in pattern for 6 or 7in; 15 or 17cm from cast on edge or desired length, remembering which round you finished on as you will need this later.

## WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS

### Pattern Panel (11 sts)

**Round 1:** K2tog, K3, yo, K1, yo, K3, SSK. (11 sts)

**Round 2:** Knit.

**Round 3:** K2tog, K2, yo, K3, yo, K2, SSK.

**Round 4:** Knit.

**Round 5:** K2, yo, SSK, K3, K2tog, yo, K2.

**Round 6:** Knit.

**Round 7:** K3, yo, SSK, K1, K2tog, yo, K3.

**Round 8:** Knit.

**Round 9:** K4, yo, SK2pssso, yo, K4.

**Round 10:** Knit.

**Round 11:** K1, yo, K2, SSK, P1, K2tog, K2, yo, K1.

**Round 12:** K5, P1, K5.

**Round 13:** K2, yo, K1, SSK, P1, K2tog, K1, yo, K2.

**Round 14:** K5, P1, K5.

**Round 15:** K3, yo, SSK, P1, K2tog, yo, K3.

**Round 16:** K5, P1, K5.

**Round 17:** K1, K2tog, yo, K2, P1, K2, yo, SSK, K1.

**Round 18:** K5, P1, K5.

**Round 19:** K2tog, yo, K3, P1, K3, yo, SSK.

**Round 20:** K5, P1, K5.

Rounds 1–20 set pattern and should be repeated.

### 60 sts (30 sts twice)

**Round 1:** K2, P2, K3, P2, work 11 sts as given for round 1 of pattern panel, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1. (30 sts)

**Round 2:** As for round 1, following pattern panel as written.

### 64 sts (32 sts twice)

**Round 1:** (K3, P2) twice, work 11 sts as given for round 1 of pattern panel, (P2, K3) twice, P1. (32 sts)

**Round 2:** As for round 1, following pattern panel as written.

### 68 sts (34 sts twice)

**Round 1:** K1, P1, K2, P2, K3, P2, work 11 sts as given for round 1 of pattern panel, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1, K2. (34 sts)

**Round 2:** As for round 1, following pattern panel as written.

### 72 sts (36 sts twice)

**Round 1:** K1, P2, K2, P2, K3, P2, work 11 sts as given for round 1 of pattern panel, P2, K3, (P2, K2) twice. (36 sts)

**Round 2:** As for round 1, following pattern panel as written.

### HEEL FLAP

Change to 2.5mm DPNs if you are using a short circular needle. There is no need to use DPNs if you are using magic loop. You may prefer to place the spare stitches from the top of the foot onto a stitch holder if you are using a short circular or DPNs whilst you work the heel.

**Row 1:** K2, (Sl 1, K1) until you have 30 [32:34:36] sts on your needle, turn.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, P to end, turn.

**Row 3:** (Sl 1, K1) to end, turn.



Repeat rows 2 and 3 until heel measures 2 [2:2.5:3]in; 5 [5:6.5:7.5]cm, finishing on row 3. If you want to make the heel flap longer, continuing knitting rows 2 and 3 until you reach the desired length, but remember that you will need to pick up more stitches to create the gusset.

### Turn Heel

**Row 1:** Sl 1, P16 [17:18:19], P2tog, P1, turn.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, K5, SSK, K1, turn.

**Row 3:** Sl 1, P6, P2tog, P1, turn.

**Row 4:** Sl 1, K7, SSK, K1, turn.

Continue in this way, adding one stitch between slip stitch and SSK or P2tog on each row (ie, **Row 5:** Sl 1, P8, P2tog, P1; **Row 6:** Sl 1, K9, SSK, K1, etc) until all of the heel stitches are used. Depending on how many stitches are in your heel flap, you may find that the K1 and P1 stitch is not required at the end of the last two rows.

Knit across heel stitches if required to bring you to the left hand side of the heel flap (with the outside of the flap facing you), ready to pick up 1 stitch for every 2 rows of heel flap knitted. Remember that if you made the heel flap bigger, you will need to pick up more stitches. Once you have picked up the stitches, place marker.

Knit across the top of the foot stitches in pattern from where you finished for the leg. Place marker, then pick up 1 stitch for every 2 rows of heel flap knitted up the other side of the heel. Knit across the top of the heel and then shape gusset as below.

**Note:** If you are using DPNs and/or have placed your stitches on a stitch holder, you can arrange the needles as follows: Needle 1 for stitches across heel, Needle 2 for picked-up stitches down side of foot, Needle 3 for stitches across top of foot (knit stitches off stitch holder if required), Needle 4 for picked-up stitches on other side of foot. You may find that stitch markers are not required at first.



## Shape Gusset

**Round 1:** K to 3 sts before the marker, K2tog, K1, **slip marker**, knit in pattern to next marker, **slip marker**, K1, SSK, K to marker.

**Round 2:** **Slip marker**, knit in pattern to next marker, **slip marker**, knit to 3 sts before marker.

**Round 3:** K2tog, K1, **slip marker**, knit in pattern to next marker, **slip marker**, K1, SSK, K to marker.

Repeat rounds 2 and 3 to shape the gusset. Continue in this way, decreasing by two stitches at the gusset on every other round until there are 60 [64:68:72] stitches on the needle.

Once you have reached the required number of stitches, continue to knit each round until you reach approximately 2in; 5cm before the desired length ready to start the toes. Don't be afraid to try your sock on before decreasing for the toes!

## TOES

**Note:** At some point whilst decreasing for the toes, if you are using a short circular needle you may need to change back to DPNs or use the magic loop method as the number of stitches becomes too small for the circular. It's up to you when you choose to do that, and how you distribute the stitches across the needles; just keep following the pattern as set below.

Create the toes as follows:

**Round 1:** K1, SSK, K24 [26:28:30] sts, K2tog, K1, **place marker**, K1, SSK, K24 [26:28:30] sts, K2tog, K1. (56 [60:64:68] sts)

**Round 2:** Knit one round, **slipping markers** as you come to them.

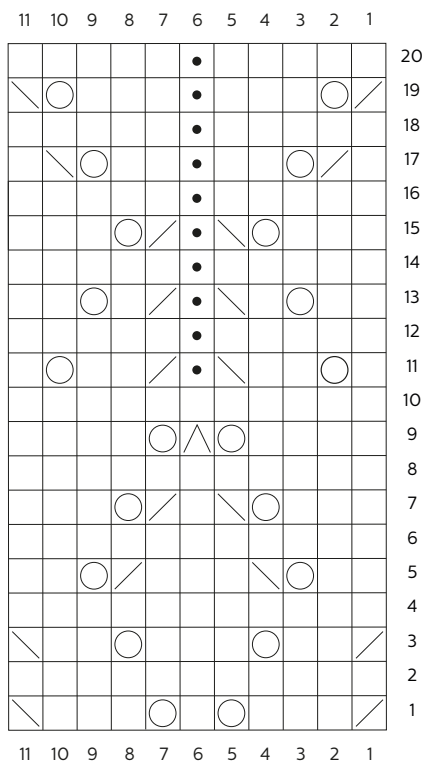
**Round 3:** K1, SSK, K to 3 sts before marker, K2tog, K1, **slip marker**, K1, SSK, K to 3 sts before marker, K2tog, K1. (52 [56:60:64] sts)

Repeat rounds 2 and 3 until you have 28 [28:32:32] stitches left and divide these between two needles so that front and back of socks match.

Graft toes using Kitchener stitch, weave in all ends and sew up the small gap at the cuff where you cast on.

## CHART

### Pattern Panel – all sizes



### Key

- Knit
- yo
- Purl
- / K2tog
- \ SSK
- △ SK2pss0

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