2-strand Shaker Knit Slippers

with optional cuff

needed:

 \star size 13 US needles (9 mm), or size necessary to achieve gauge

★ 110 yds (50 gm/1.75 oz) each color worsted weight yarn

gauge: 17s/ 20r= 4"

all yarn requirements are approximate

basic pattern 9"-11" finished length, as written



NOTE: slippers for The Ships Project must have cuffs. thanks!

basic pattern:

cast on 23, leaving a 12" tail for finishing.

- 1: (Side A) k1, p1. k to last 2 sts. end p1, sl1 YIF.
- 2: (Side B) k1, p1. *sl1 YIF, k1. repeat from * to last 3 sts. end sl1 YIF, p1, sl1 YIF.

repeat these steps until slipper is 11/2" shorter than desired length. for The Ships Project, work until 7½"-9½". last row worked is row 2.

toe shaping:

- 1: k3. *k2tog, k3. repeat from * across. (19 sts)
- 2: purl to last st, sl last st YIF.
- 3: k3. *k2tog, k2. repeat from * across. (15 sts)
- 4: purl to last st, sl last st YIF.
- 5: k2. *k2tog, k1. repeat from * across. end k1. (11 sts)
- 6: purl across

finishing:

- 🗡 cut yarn, leaving 12" tail. pull through remaining sts twice and draw up toe sts tightly.
- \star using the tail and from the outside, weave upper foot seam closed through back loops of row edge sts leaving a 4½" - 5" opening for foot. for cuffed version, weave closed to the top of the cuff.
- to close the heel, use the cast-on tail to weave the back seam closed until 6 total sts remain. weave through the top loop of the remaining sts and draw up tightly to close. tie off.
- weave in all ends.

now make another just like it!

basic pattern in 2 colors.

- \star must be worked with a double point or circular needle
- each color is worked individually cast on 23 with CC, leaving a 12" tail for finishing.
- 1: (Side A) with MC k3. *p1, k1. repeat from * to last 2 sts. end k1, sl1 YIF. slide.
- 2: (Side A) with CC k1, p1. *sl1 YIB, k1. repeat from * to last 3 sts. end sl1 YIB, p1, sl1 YIF. turn.
- 3: (Side B) with MC k2, p1. *k1, p1. repeat from * to last 2 sts. end k1, sl1 YIF. slide.
- 4: (Side B) with CC, k1, p1. *sl1 YIF, p1. repeat from * to last st. end sl1 YIF. turn.

repeat these steps until slipper is 11/2" shorter than desired length. for The Ships Project, work until 7½"-9½". clip CC. last row worked is row 2 or 4.

work Toe Shaping (use MC only) and Finishing according to Basic Pattern instructions.

optional garter stitch ribbed cuff

begin the slipper as follows: cast on 33, leaving a 12" tail for finishing.

- 1: (Side A) k6, p1. k to last 7 sts. p1, k5, sl
- 2: (Side B) k6, p1, k1. *sl1 YIF, k1. repeat from * to last 7 sts. p1, k5, sl last st YIF.

work rows 1 and 2 until cuff is 4"-4½" from cast on edge. last row worked is row 2.

next row: BO 4. k1, p1. k to last 7 sts. p1, k5, sl last st YIF. (29 st)

next row: BO 4. k1, p1. *sl1 YIF, k1. repeat from * to last 4 sts. sl1 YIF, p1, k1, sl1 YIF. (25 sts)

next row: BO 1, p1. k to last 3 sts. p1, k1, sl1 YIF. (24 sts)

next row: BO 1, p1. *sl1 YIF, k1. repeat from * to last 3 sts. sl1 YIF, p1, sl1 YIF. (23 sts)

continue with Basic Pattern, beginning with row 1.

adjusting the finished size:

- the pattern is easily made larger or smaller by varying the number of sts (total number for cast on must always be an odd number), weight of yarn, and needle size.
- for children's, try size US 10 needles and either one strand of a chunkier varn or two strands or sport-weight yarn with a cast on of 19-21 sts.
- if adjusting the st count, toe shaping needs to be adjusted so that 4 sts are evenly decreased on every Side A row.

techniques & abbreviations:

BO: bind off

k2tog: knit 2 sts together as one

p: purl

sl X: slip X stitches together purlwise

slide: slide sts to other end of dpn or circular needle st(s): stitch(es)

YIB: yarn in back YIF: yarn in front





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