

# Wee Snowflake Stocking by Kathy

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This stocking is knit with an after-thought heel. You will knit in scrap yarn where the heel will go. After the stocking is knit, you pick up the stitches on each side of the scrap yarn to work the heel.

**Size:** 3.5" (8.25cm) tall x 1.75" (4.5cm) wide (at the toe) wee size when knit at gauge. Tiny size is about 60% bigger.

#### **Supplies:**

- Approx. 5g/25yds Knit Picks Palette (100% Peruvian Highland Wool 50g/231yds) or similar fingering weight yarn in three colors (MC (Sky) 2g/10yds, CC1 (White) 2g/10yd, CC2 (Marble Heather) 1g/5yds). This is for the wee size, the tiny size will use about 60% more.
- Four size 1US (2.25mm) double-pointed needles
- Stitch marker
- Scrap fingering weight yarn
- Tapestry needle

#### **Abbreviations:**

- k knit
- k2tog knit two together
- p –purl
- rnd(s) round(s)
- ssk slip two stitches and knit them together through the back
- sts stitches
- x times

Gauge: 10 stitches and 12 rows per inch

### Wee Size:

Cast on 24 sts in CC2. Divide between three needles and join together to knit in the round. Place a stitch marker between the last and first stitch to mark rnds.

#### Cuff:

Rnds 1 - 3: (k1, p1)12x

#### Leg:

Rnds 4 – 23 change to CC1 and MC: k following color work pattern

#### Add scrap yarn for heel placement:

Rnd 24: K12 sts with scrap yarn. Put those 12 sts back on the left needle. K24 continuing color work pattern.

#### Foot:

Rnds 25 – 31: k following color work pattern

#### Toe:

Rnd 32 switch to CC2: k

Rnd 33: ssk, k8, k2tog, ssk, k8, k2tog (20 sts)

Rnd 34: k

Rnd 35: ssk, k6, k2tog, ssk, k6, k2tog (16 sts) Rnd 36: ssk, k4, k2tog, ssk, k4, k2tog (12 sts)

Put the first 6 sts on one needle and the second 6 on another. Seam together with Kitchener stitch.

#### Heel:

Put the 12 sts below and the 12 sts above the scrap yarn on needles. Carefully remove the scrap yarn. Divide the sts between three needles. Place a stitch marker between the top and bottom stitches on the right side to mark rnds.

Work following the exact same instructions as the toe. To prevent a hole on each side of the heel, you may want to pick up a stitch from the body of the stocking at each side and knit it together with the stitch after it on rnd 32.

Weave in ends.

## **Tiny Size:**

Cast on 40 sts in CC2. Divide between three needles and join together to knit in the round. Place a stitch marker between the last and first stitch to mark rows.

#### **Cuff:**

Rnds 1 - 5: (k1, p1)20x

#### Leg:

Rnds 6 – 37 change to MC and CC1: k following color work pattern

#### Add scrap yarn for heel placement:

Rnd 38: K20 sts with scrap yarn. Put those 20 sts back on the left needle. K40 continuing color work pattern.

#### Foot:

Rnds 39 – 49: k following color work pattern

#### Toe:

Rnd 50 switch to CC2: k

Rnd 51: ssk, k16, k2tog, ssk, k16, k2tog (36 sts)

Rnd 52: k

Rnd 53: ssk, k14, k2tog, ssk, k14, k2tog (32 sts)

Rnd 54: k

Rnd 55: ssk, k12, k2tog, ssk, k12, k2tog (28 sts) Rnd 56: ssk, k10, k2tog, ssk, k10, k2tog (24 sts) Rnd 57: ssk, k8, k2tog, ssk, k8, k2tog (20 sts)

Put the first 10 sts on one needle and the second 10 on another. Seam together with Kitchener stitch.

#### Heel:

Put the 20 sts below and the 20 sts above the scrap yarn on needles. Carefully remove the scrap yarn. Divide the stitches between three needles. Place a stitch marker between the top and bottom stitches on the right side to mark rnds.

Work following the exact same instructions as the toe. To prevent a hole on each side of the heel, you may want to pick up a stitch from the body of the stocking at each side and knit it together with the stitch after it on rnd 50.

Weave in ends.

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