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DESIGNS



KEEP YOUR SOCKS ON!



Narrow instep



Wide instep

Fed up of losing socks, because baby thinks it is lots of fun to pull them off and toss them out of the pram? Then, this pattern could provide the solution you are looking for.

Keep Your Socks On! simply slip over baby's socks, keeping them in place, until *you* decide it's time to take them off!

No socks? No problem. **Keep Your Socks On!** can also be worn as an accessory to compliment an outfit.

- Sized to fit 6-12 months age range - will stretch to a maximum 6½" (15cm) ankle and instep circumference.
- Two instep strap sizes provided to suit a greater range of foot lengths. The narrow measures 1" (2.5cm) and the wide 1½"(4cm).
- You will need less than 100m double knitting yarn per pair, a 3.00mm hook, one stitch marker and a needle for finishing. Embellishments are optional.

This pattern is written in UK terms. Below are the US equivalents where applicable.

UK abbreviation	UK term	US abbreviation	US term
BLO	back loop only		
ch	chain		
dc	double crochet	sc	single crochet
ss	slip stitch	sl st	slip stitch
st(s)	stitch(es)		

Keep your socks on! Narrow instep for shorter foot lengths (make 2)

Commence with 15ch.

Row 1. 1dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1dc into each ch to end, 1ch, turn (14sts).

Row 2. Working in BLO 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 13sts, 1ch, turn (14sts).

Row 3-6. As row 2 (14sts).

Instep Strap

Row 7. Working in BLO, 1dc into first 5sts - place marker in next stitch before continuing, 1ch, turn (5sts).

Row 8. Working in BLO across 5sts only - instep strap, 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 4sts, 1ch, turn (5sts).

Rows 9 - 19. As row 8, omitting the final ch of row 19. Length after row 11 should be 2" (5cm).

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Ankle Strap

Re-join yarn into marked st (with the instep strap to the right).

Row 7. Working in BLO 1dc into next st, 1dc into each of next 7sts - ankle strap, 1ch, turn (8sts).

Row 8. Working in BLO, 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 7sts, 1ch, turn (8sts).

Rows 9 - 19. As row 8. As with the instep strap, the length after row 11 should be 2" (5cm).

Upper

Row 20. Working in BLO 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 7sts, 1ch, 1dc into each of the 5sts across the instep strap, 1ch, turn (14sts).

Row 21. Working in BLO 1dc into first st, 1dc into each st to end, 1ch, turn (14sts).

Rep row 21 until piece measures 4-4½" (10-15cm) un-stretched.

Place the row 1 edge against the 0 (zero) line of a ruler and gently stretch the piece to see if it will reach 6" (15cm). Certain yarns will have less 'stretch and return' than others. If necessary work additional rows to reach this maximum recommended stretch measurement. Make a note of the row count for the second one.

Last row: Fold the starting row up behind the current row. Working in BLO, ss through both layers, across the edge joining both ends together, to form a hoop. Fasten off and neaten ends.

Embellish as desired.

How to fit

Slide over the foot with the joined section towards the top of the foot. Keep the narrow section around the instep and position the wider section around the ankle. Fabric should stretch to fit and return to shape. Do not overstretch.

Keep your socks on! Wide instep for longer foot lengths (make 2)

Commence with 18 ch.

Row 1. 1dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1dc into each ch to end, 1ch, turn (17sts).

Row 2. Working in BLO 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 16sts, 1ch, turn (17sts).

Row 3-6. As row 2 (17sts).

Instep Strap

Row 7. Working in BLO, 1dc into first 8sts - place marker in next stitch before continuing, 1ch, turn (8sts).

Row 8. Working in BLO across 8sts only - instep strap, 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 7sts, 1ch, turn (8sts).

Rows 9 - 19. As row 8, omitting the final ch of row 19. Length after row 11 should be 2" (5cm).

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Ankle Strap

Re-join yarn into marked st (with the instep strap to the right).

Row 7. Working in BLO 1dc into next st, 1dc into each of next 7sts - ankle strap, 1ch, turn (8sts).

Row 8. Working in BLO, 1dc into first st, 1dc into each of next 7sts, 1ch, turn (8sts).

Rows 9 - 19. As row 8. As with the instep strap, the length after row 11 should be 2" (5cm).

Upper

Row 20. Working in BLO 1dc into first 8sts, 1ch, 1dc into each of the 8sts across the instep strap, 1ch, turn (17sts).

Row 21. Working in BLO 1dc into first st, 1dc into each st to end, 1ch, turn (17sts).

Rep row 21 until piece measures 4-4½" (10-15cm) un-stretched.

Place the row 1 edge against the 0 (zero) line of a ruler and gently stretch the piece to see if it will reach 6½" (15cm). Certain yarns will have less 'stretch and return' than others. If necessary work additional rows to reach this maximum recommended stretch measurement. Make a note of the row count for the second one.

Last row: Fold the starting row up behind the current row. Working in BLO, ss through both layers, across the edge joining both ends together, to form a hoop. Fasten off and neaten ends.

Embellish as desired.

How to fit

Slide over the foot with the seam towards the top of the foot. Fabric should stretch to fit and return to shape. Do not overstretch.