



Magic Loop Socks

This basic pattern is great for learning how to knit using **magic loop** since you don't have to concentrate too much on the pattern but instead can concentrate on the new technique.

For Magic Loop you should choose a circular needle that is **at least 80 cm** long.

If you have never knitted using magic loop before, please take a look at my YouTube channel (link is at the end of these instructions) for the corresponding **video tutorial**.

MATERIALS

Yarn: Regia Norway Color in Color "Geiranger"

Gauge: 30 stitches and 42 rows to 10 cm

Needles: Circular Needle in 2.75 mm / 100 cm

Be aware: Everyone knits differently!
For me the above numbers worked great with the amount of stitches that I casted on but if you are unsure you should definitely try on your sock a few times while knitting to make sure that it still fits.

DEFINITIONS

K = Knit

P = Purl

K2Tog = Knit 2 stitches together

P2Tog = Purl 2 stitches together

SKP = Slip a stitch if to knit, knit a stitch, pass slipped stitch over the knit stitch

CUFF

Cast on as many stitches as you need for your shoe size (see table on the next page).

I cast on 68 stitches for socks in the size 43 (US 9.5). Use both needles to cast on, after that pull out one of the needles.

Also pull out some of the cord in the middle of your stitches (in my case after 34 stitches) to form a loop. This is the magic loop.

Start knitting the stitches as you normally would but make sure to keep the loop.

Want to see how this is done in more detail? Then go over to <http://www.haalu.de> and watch the video tutorial that comes along with this pattern.

Next knit a K2P2 ribbing for as many rounds as you like. I make the ribbing about 7cm long.

Size	Stitches per needle
30-31	14
32-35	15
36-39	16
40-43	17
44-45	18
46-47	19

LEG

Knit for as many rounds as you like. I knit about 34 rounds for shorter socks and 68 rounds for full-length winter socks.

HEEL

Heel Flap

The heel is knitted over the first half of the stitches (34 stitches in my case).

For the heel knit / purl back and forth instead of in rounds.

Row 1: K 34 (across first half of the stitches)
(*Front row*)

Row 2: K 2, P 30, K 2 (across first half of the stitches)

Repeat rows 1 & 2 until your heel flap is as many rows long as it is wide in stitches (in my case 34 rows).

The two knit stitches at the beginning and end of the back rows will create little knots along the sides of the heel flap.

Decreases

Divide number of heel stitches by three and add extra one or two stitches to the second section (for example divide 34 stitches into 11-12-11). Set two markers to tell the sections apart.

Then decrease as follows.

Row 1: K 22 (K until last stitch of second section), K2Tog

Row 2: P 11 (P until last stitch of second section), P2Tog

Row 3: K 11, (K until last stitch of second section), K2Tog

Repeat rows 2 & 3 until only the stitches of the second section are left (12 stitches in my case).

Gusset

Knit across one half of the heel stitches, set a marker (=marks the beginning of the round), then pick up 17 stitches between the little knots (= 1/4 of the amount of stitches you casted on). Pick up one extra stitch in the corner before the stitches for the top of the foot.

Set a marker and knit across the stitches for the top of the foot (= 34 stitches in my case).

Before you continue knitting, adjust your setting like this: pull out a loop at the position where you just set the marker. This will divide your stitches into two halves: one that contains the stitches for the top of the foot, and one that contains the stitches for the heel (incl. the picked up stitches). Pull out your needle and continue.

Pick up one stitch in the corner before the knots along the side of the heel flap, then pick up another 17 stitches between the knots.

Knit until you get to the beginning of the round. I now have 34 stitches for the top of the foot and 48 stitches for the heel.

Gusset Decreases

Next knit one round of knit stitches, then we will start decreasing for the gusset.

We will decrease right before the top of the foot (right before we change to the next needle) and right after the top of the foot (after we have changed to the next needle).

K until you get to the last three stitches before the top of the foot, K2Tog, K 1

Then K the stitches for the top of the foot (34 stitches), K 1, K2Tog, K rest of the round

Decrease like this in every third round (knit the two rounds in between) until your are down to the initial amount of stitches (= 68 stitches in my case).

FOOT

Continue knitting until your foot is long enough for your shoe size.

Size	Foot length (without toes)
30/31	16 cm
32/33	17 cm
34/35	18 cm
36/37	19 cm
38/39	20 cm
40/41	21 cm
42/43	22 cm
44/45	23 cm
46/47	24 cm

TOES

As before our magic loop and the position of our needles divide the stitches into one half for the top of the foot and one half for the bottom of the foot. We decrease at the beginning & end of each of those halves. We start right after the stitches for the top of the foot.

Decreases

Repeat on both halves:

K 1, SKP, K until last 3 stitches of the half, K2Tog, K 1

After first round of decreases, decrease once in every fourth round. So knit three rounds of knit stitches, then one round of decreases.

Next we will decrease twice in every third round. So knit two rounds of knit stitches, then one round of decreases and repeat those three rounds.

Then decrease 4 times in every other round and lastly 7 times in every round.

In more detail

Round 1:	Decrease
Rounds 2-4:	Knit
Round 5:	Decrease
Rounds 6-7:	Knit
Round 8:	Decrease
Rounds 9-10:	Knit
Round 11:	Decrease
Round 12:	Knit
Round 13:	Decrease
Round 14:	Knit
Round 15:	Decrease
Round 16:	Knit
Round 17:	Decrease
Round 18:	Knit
Rounds 19-26:	Decrease

8 stitches in total remain.

Cut yarn and pull it through remaining stitches or use kitchener stitch to finish.

Done!

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