

The World's Greatest Slippers

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These socks have seen a lot of evolution over the last 2 years. After tons of tweaks and alterations I feel comfortable saying it is now the best slipper ever. This is one slipper to rule them all. It has everything you could want from casual indoor footwear: snug fit, traction, and a customizable cuff and instep to insure a perfect fit. Not only that, in the small and medium sizes it is a one-skein wonder! For sizes large and XL a second skein will be needed.

Finished Size

Directions are given for adult ladies size Small (S). Changes for Medium (M), Large (L), and Extra Large (XL) are in parentheses.

Shoe size (US ladies):

4-6=Small

7-8=Medium

9-11=Large

12-13=XL

Materials

Yarn

Lion Brand Woolease Thick and Quick: Sizes S and M: 1 ball in the color of your choice, sizes L and XL: 2 balls.

Needles

US 10 DPNs, crochet hook or tapestry needle to weave in ends.

Notions

Stitch markers

Special Stitch

1. K2P2 ribbing: Knit 2 sts, purl 2 sts
2. Garter rows: Knit all stitches on even rows and Purl all sts on odd rows when working in the round. Knit all stitches every row when working flat.
3. **Wrap (w)**: Stitch to be wrapped is on the left needle. Move yarn to the opposite side of work (i.e. for a knit bring yarn forward as if to purl, and for a purl row, bring yarn behind as if to knit). Slip stitch to be wrapped WITHOUT working it to the right needle. Bring yarn back to starting position (behind for a knit row and in front for a purl row). Stitch is now wrapped.
4. 3 needle Bind Off: This binds the sts on two needles together. There MUST be an equal number of sts on each needle. With the piece inside out hold the needles next to each other and slip a needle through the first st on each needle as if to

knit. Knit these 2 sts together. There is now one st on your working needle and one less on each of your other 2 needles. Repeat this step. Pass the first stitch over the second. Repeat this down the 2 needles until there is only 1 st left on your working needle. Break yarn and pull end through the stitch then pull tight.

ITEM

Notes: The pattern includes 2 optional stitch patterns for the bottom of the foot; choose whichever suits your taste. I find that the garter row bottom yields a snugger fit, while the stockinet bottom is more traditional look. The photograph shows them with the stockinet bottom.

Cuff

CO 36(36, 40, 40) Join to work in the round

R1: K2P2 ribbing

R2: K2P2 ribbing

R3: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2tog, K2P2 ribbing to end.

R4: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2P2 ribbing to end.

R5: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2P2 ribbing to end.

R6: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2tog, K2P2 ribbing to end.

R7: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, K2P2 ribbing to end.

R8: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, K2P2 ribbing to end.

R9: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P2tog. (K2P2 ribbing to end for sizes L and XL)

R10: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, (K2P2 ribbing to end for sizes L and XL).

R11: K2, P2, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, K2, P2, K2, P2, K2 P1, (K2P2 ribbing to end for sizes L and XL).

For sizes Small and Medium move on to heel instructions. For sizes Large and XL repeat rows 10 and 11 once more.

Heel

Separate top and bottom sts: Place 21(21, 25, 25) sts on holder, leaving 12 on working needles for heel

R1-9: Knit on the Right Side and Purl on the Wrong side.

R10: Purl across, decrease 1 by P2tog. **Note: if you are choosing to work the bottom in garter heel rows from here on should be in garter. If you are choosing to work it in stockinet work heel by knitting the RS and purling the WS.**

R11: K10. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.

R12: Slip the wrapped st without working it. P9 sts (K if working garter rows!). Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn, and slip the wrapped stitch to the right needle. (Wrapped stitch is on the right needle after turning from here on)

R13: K8. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn. (wrapped stitch is on the right needle after turning from here on)

R14: Work 7 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.

R15: Work 6 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.

R16: Work 5 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.

R17: Work 4 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R18: Work 3 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R19: Work 4 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R20: Work 5 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R21: Work 6 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R22: Work 7 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R23: Work 8 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R24: Work 9 sts. Wrap next stitch without working it. Turn.
R25: Move stitches from holder back onto needles. Knit 1 row around picking up 8 stitches from the edge of the heel flap on both sides for gussets. Place marker on either side of the 11 heel stitches.

Instep

Note: if you are working the garter bottom you will alternate knit and purl rows for the 10 sts between markers (i.e. knit on even rows and purl on odd rows. This is not noted in each row of the pattern. The stitches from the holder are ribbed all the way to the toe.

R1-7: Work across stitches as established (garter or skn for 10 bottom sts, ribbing for top 21(21, 25, 25). Decrease one by K2tog from each gusset on each row alternating between decreasing at the top of the gusset and the bottom.

R8-26: Work straight as established (ribbing the top, skn or garter on the bottom. If you are working in garter incorporate the remaining 2 gusset sts into the garter rows).

Size small: move on to toe.

Size medium: work 2 more rows in pattern.

Size Large: work 3 more rows in pattern.

Size XL: work 4 more rows in pattern.

Toe

R1: Knit all sts, decrease 1 by k2tog. 36 (36, 40, 40) sts

R2: Knit all sts, place markers dividing sts evenly between top and bottom.

R3: Knit to 2sts before 1st marker, K2tog. Knit to 2 sts before 2nd marker. K2tog.

R4: Knit to 2sts after 1st marker, K2tog. Knit to 2 sts after 2nd marker. K2tog.

Rep rows 3 and 4 until 12 total sts remain. Close toe with the 3 needle BO.

Abbreviation Key

Please note that we use the American definitions.

st(s)	stitch(es)
CO	cast on
yo	yarn over hook
R	row
BO	bind off
K	knit
P	purl
W	wrap