

LATTES & LLAMAS PRESENTS

# Clue 1 of Oregon Trail

THE FIRST GEEK-A-LONG SOCKS OF 2022



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# *Sock One: The Wagon Trail*

The Oregon Trail Socks are worked in the round from the cuff down. The leg pattern begins off-center on the back of the leg, and you will be instructed to move the beginning of round after completing the heel. This sock pattern is recommended for knitters with experience working in the round, stranded/fair-isles colorwork, and turning a heel. Stitch repeats are shown in [brackets]. Repeat [bracketed instructions] to the stitch indicated. For example, if instructed to work [K1, P1] to last two sts, that means you will repeat K1 P1 until you reach the last two sts. **Note that the two socks are different. This pattern is not conducive to working two-at-a-time socks.**

## **CUFF**

With smaller needles and Color A, CO 64(72, 80, 88) sts using your favorite stretchy CO. Distribute sts evenly across needles and join to work in the round, careful not to twist the sts. PM to indicate the beginning of the rnd.

**Rnd 1:** [K1, P1] around.

Repeat Rnd 1 nine more times or until cuff measures 1 inch. Continue to LEG section.

## **LEG**

Work the gray squares in Color A and work the white squares in Color B. The charts should always be read from right to left. When working the charts, catch floats longer than five stitches.

**Join Color B and change to larger needles.**

**Rnd 1 (set-up):** Work first row of the BIG BLUE RIVER Chart A(B, C, D), PM; then work first row of the OXEN CART Chart to end.

Now you will continue to work the charts until they are completed.

**Rnds 2-38:** Work BIG BLUE RIVER Chart A(B, C, D), SM; work OXEN CART Chart.

**Next:** Repeat round 38 until the leg measures 5 (5, 5.5, 5.5)” from CO or until the desired length is achieved. Continue to HEEL FLAP section.

## **HEEL FLAP**

**Set-Up:** Repeat row 38 as established across the first 50(60, 70, 80) sts, stopping when 14(12, 10, 8) sts remain in the rnd. Move the last 32(36, 40, 44) sts worked to waste yarn or a stitch holder to be picked up later.

You will now work a slipped stitch heel with the smaller needles, using only Color B across the 32(36, 40, 44) sts remaining on your needles. Remove the stitch markers as you come to them in Row 1.

**Cut Color A and change to smaller needles.**

**Row 1 (Right Side):** [Sl 1 wyib, K1] to end of row, turn.

**Row 2 (Wrong Side):** Sl 1 wyif, P to end of row, turn.

Repeat Rows 1-2 17(19, 21, 23) more times for a total of 36(40, 44, 48) total rows and 18(20, 22, 24) sl sts on each side of the heel flap. Continue to HEEL TURN.

## **HEEL TURN**

The “gap” in the instructions below refers to the space created between the ‘P1, turn’ or ‘K1, turn’ of the previous row.

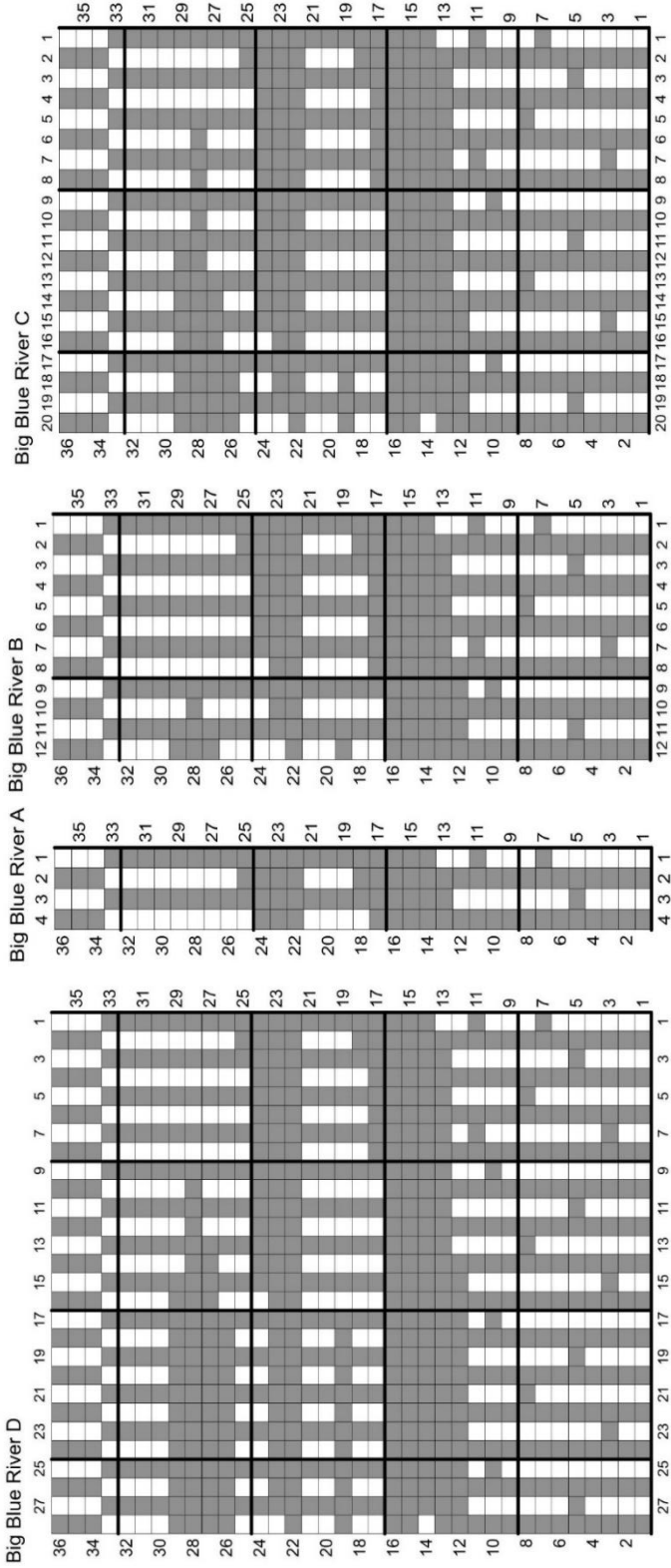
**Row 1 (RS):** Sl 1 wyib, K18(20, 22, 24), SKS, K1, turn.

**Row 2 (WS):** Sl 1 wyif, P7, P2Tog, P1, turn.

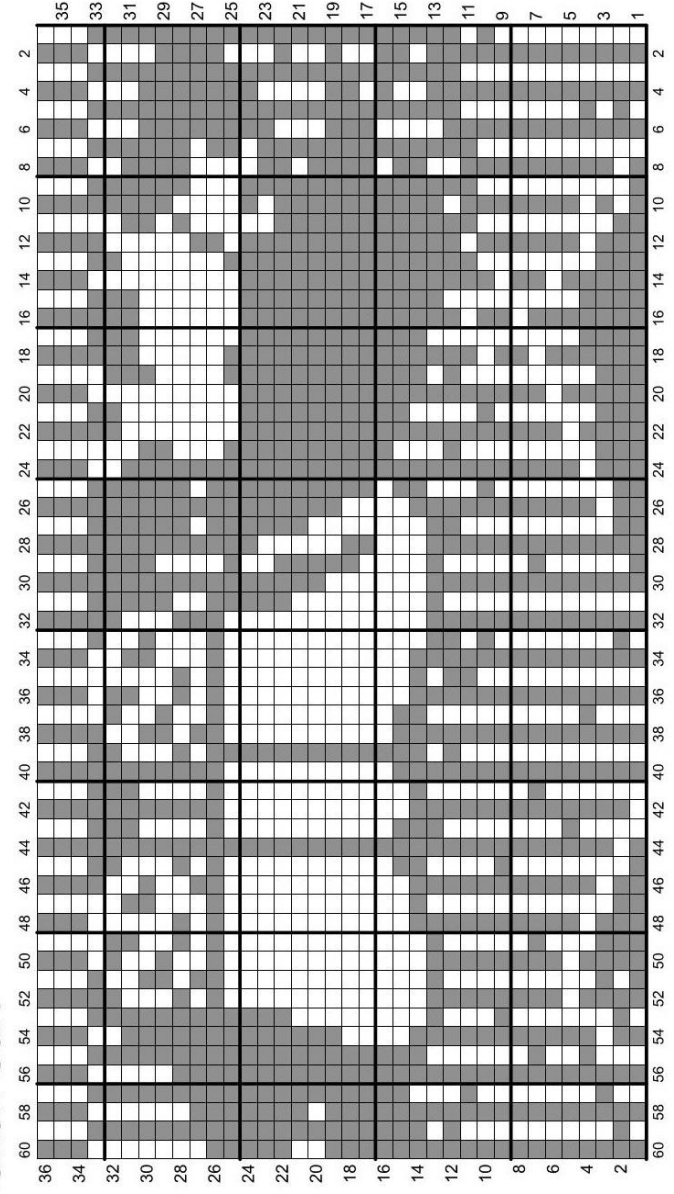
**Row 3:** Sl 1, K to 1 st before the gap, SKS, K1, turn.

**Row 4:** Sl 1, P to 1 st before the gap, P2Tog, P1, turn.


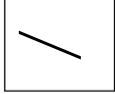


Repeat Rows 3-4 until 20(22, 24, 26) sts remain, ending after a Row 4.



### Oxen Cart



**CHART KEY**

	Color B		K2Tog with Color B
	Color A		SKS with Color B

Numbers are provided on either side of the charts to help you keep your place. However, charts should be worked in the round and read from right to left on every round.