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Pattern Notes:

This pattern is designed to be knit toe-up, but can be knit cuff-down if so desired. The only difference will be that the raised (slipped) stitches will be facing the opposite direction. If knitting cuff-down, I recommend using the German Twisted Cast-On.

This pattern was born because I wanted a pattern that would showcase pretty indie-dyed yarn but wasn't just plain stockinette. However, I wanted the difficulty to stay at that same level. This sock fits all of those requirements, and I absolutely love the way this stitch pattern looks in any type of yarn!

This pattern is written for an AFTERTHOUGHT heel, but any heel may be substituted. The method I describe in the instructions does not use waste yarn and includes cutting into your knitting after the rest of the sock is complete. I love this method because I've never had any holes at the corners when using it, and the heels always feel very sturdy. There are many great tutorials for this method out there, but this is my favorite: [KirbyWirby Afterthought Heel](#)

Abbreviations:

K: knit
P: purl
STS: stitches
YO: yarn over
TBL: through the back loop
CO: cast on
BO: bind off
PM: place marker
SSK: slip, slip, knit - slip the first stitch knit-wise, slip the second stitch knit-wise, then knit both stitches together through the back loops.
K2TOG: knit two together - knit the next two stitches together as if they were one stitch.

Choosing Your Size:

Please note that this pattern produces a slightly tighter fabric than a plain stockinette sock. Please choose your size accordingly.

This pattern has three different size options: S (M,L)
The stitch counts for the sizes are: 60 (70,80)

Choose Size S if: you normally knit your stockinette socks with 52-56 stitches.

Choose Size M if: you normally knit your stockinette socks with 60-64 stitches.

Choose Size L if: you normally knit your stockinette socks with 68-72 stitches.

If you follow these guidelines, but find the sock is feeling too loose, I would recommend going down a needle size rather than dropping to the next size down.



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Toe Instructions:

(any toe may be substituted, just be sure to end up with the correct amount of stitches for the size you have chosen.)

Using **Judy's Magic Cast-On**, CO 12 (13,14) stitches per needle and work both needles once to setup for toe increases.

Row 1: k1, yo, knit to last 2 sts, yo, k1

Row 2: k1, ktbl, knit to last 2sts, ktbl, k1

Repeat rows 1 & 2 until you have 20 (25,26) sts on each needle.

Row 1: k1, yo, knit to last 2 sts, yo, k1

Row 2: k1, ktbl, knit to last 2sts, ktbl, k1

Row 3: knit

Repeat rows 1-3 until you have 30 (35,40) sts on each needle.

Foot Pattern:

Row 1: knit

Row 2: *k2, sl1, k2* repeat from * to marker, knit to end

Row 3: *k2, sl1, k2* repeat from * to marker, knit to end

*Repeat rows 1-3 until you reach the desired length of your foot. **Place marker for your afterthought heel.***

At this point, you may choose either to knit another inch in this established pattern or to begin the leg pattern. I find that knitting that extra inch of stockinette above the heel on the back of the sock provides a superior fit for my foot.

Due to the stitch pattern on the top of the foot, you may find that the bottom of the foot is slightly looser/longer. In my experience this has not affected the final fit of the sock as long as the heel is placed correctly. (measured on the bottom of the sock.)

WHERE TO PLACE AFTERTHOUGHT HEEL MARKER:

1. Measure the length of your foot (ex. 8.5 inches)
2. Measure the length of your finished toe (ex. 1.75 inches.)
3. subtract the length of your toe from the length of your foot. (ex. 6.75 inches)
4. subtract an additional .25 inches. (ex. 6.5 inches)
5. Measure the number of inches determined in steps 1-4 from the tip of your toe. This is where you place the marker. (ex. 6.5 inches from the tip of the toe of the sock)

Leg Pattern:

Row 1: knit

Row 2: *k2, sl1, k2* repeat from * to end

Row 3: *k2, sl1, k2* repeat from * to end

Repeat rows 1-3 until you reach the desired length of your leg. Proceed to cuff pattern.

Cuff Pattern:

Row 1: *p1, k3, p1* repeat from * to end

Row 2: *p1, k1, sl1, k1, p1* repeat from * to end

Row 3: *p1, k1, sl1, k1, p1* repeat from * to end

Repeat rows 1-3 until cuff measures 1.5" (or desired length)

BO with Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind-Off.

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Afterthought Heel:

Step 1: asdfghjkl;

Step 2: asdfghjkl;

Step 3: asdfghjkl;