



# Jacob's Booties (Socks)

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## Gauge

5.5 sts = 1"

## Materials

Yarn 1 skein Cascade Fixation or Sock it To Me! Collection Esprit

Needles Size US #3 dpns (or size needed for gauge)

## Abbreviations

**ST** = Stitch(es); **K** = Knit; **P** = Purl; **K2tog** = Knit 2 Together; **SSK** = Slip-Slip-Knit (slip 2 sts knitwise, return to left needle, and knit them together through the back); **RS** = Right Side; **WS** = Wrong Side; **DPN** = Double Pointed Needles; **RND** = Round.

## Instructions

### Cuff

Cast-on 24 sts and divide evenly on 4 dpn; join into a round. Work in K1,P1 ribbing until cuff measures 2" (about 17 rnds). *Note:* If you are using multicolored yarn and want color striping to match up, begin your cast-on at a position in the color repeat that will be easy to locate so the second sock can be started at the same place in the color sequence.

### Heel

Slip sts from needle #2 to needle #1 (12 sts on needle #1). Work back and forth on needle #1 as follows:

Row 1 (RS): (S11, K1) six times; turn.

Row 2 (WS): S11, P across; turn.

Repeat these two rows four more times (for a total of 10 rows). Repeat Row 1 one more time.

### Turn Heel

Row 1: (WS) P8, p2tog, p1, turn – leaving one st unworked.

Row 2: (RS) S11, k5, k2tog, k1, turn – leaving one st unworked.

Row 3: S11, p to 2 sts from end, p2tog, turn.

Row 4: S11, k to 2 sts from end, k2tog (do not turn). There should be 8 sts.

### Form Gusset

With a loose needle, pick-up and knit 7 sts along the side of the heel (picking up one st in each of the 6 slipped sts on the edge and then one extra stitch beneath the last picked-up st to close the gap that would otherwise form). The needle with the sts you just worked will be called needle #1.

Knit across the 6 sts on needle #2, and then knit across the 6 sts on needle #3.

Using an empty needle, pick-up and knit 7 sts along the other side of the heel (picking up the first st below the first slipped st on the edge and then one st in each of the 6 slipped sts on the edge of the heel). The needle with the sts you just worked will be called needle #4.

Using this same needle, knit 4 sts from the heel. Slip the 4 remaining sts from the heel onto needle #1, which will free up a working needle for the right hand.

There will now be 11 sts on needle #1, 6 on needle #2, 6 on needle #3, and 11 on needle #4.

### Gusset Decreases

Rnd 1: Knit

Rnd 2: Needle #1: K to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1  
Needle #2: Knit  
Needle #3: Knit  
Needle #4: K1, ssk1, k to end.

Repeat these two rounds until there are 6 sts on each needle.

### Instep

Knit about 10 rounds or until sock measures  $2\frac{1}{4}$ ".

### Toe Shaping

Rnd 1: Needle #1: K3, K2tog, K1  
Needle #2: K1, SSK, K3  
Needle #3: k3, K2tog, K1  
Needle #4: k1, SSK, K3

Rnd 2: Knit

Rnd 3: Needle #1: K2, K2tog, K1  
Needle #2: K1, SSK, K2  
Needle #3: k2, K2tog, K1  
Needle #4: k1, SSK, K2

Rnd 4: Knit

Rnd 5: Needle #1: K1, K2tog, K1  
Needle #2: K1, SSK, K1  
Needle #3: k1, K2tog, K1  
Needle #4: k1, SSK, K1

Rnd 6: Using needle #4, K all 3 sts from needle #1 (so there are now 6 sts on needle #4). Knit sts from needle #2 and needle #3 onto an empty needle (so there is a second needle with 6 sts on it).

### Finishing

Cut a 12" tail and graft the sts on the two needles together using kitchener stitch. Weave in tails.