Elf Shoes

Yarn: Fingering weight (I used Arial from Twisted.Etsy.com)

Needles: 0 US

Gauge: 9 sts/inch over stockinette

Garter Stitch version



Cast on 10 sts and join to work in the round.

Work 10 rounds in garter st (K 1 row, P 1 row).

Work short row heel as follows:

SI 1 st, K3 sts, wrap and turn. (RS)

SI 1 st with yarn in front, K2 sts, wrap and turn. (WS)

SI 1 st with yarn in back, K1 st, wrap and turn. (RS)

SI 1 st with yarn in front, wrap and turn. (WS)

SI 1 st, knit wrap together with next st, turn. (RS)

SI 1 st, K1, knit wrap with next st, turn (WS)

SI 1 st, K2, knit wrap with next st, turn (RS)

SI 1 st, K3, knit wrap with next st, turn (WS)

Pick up a stitch in the hole at beginning of next row and knit it together with the next stitch. Knit to end of needle.

Repeat on next needle.

Resume garter st with a P row.

Work 5 rows garter, including first P row.

SSK, K1, K2 tog twice.

P 1 row.

K2 tog three times onto a single needle. Work i-cord on 3 sts for 4 rows. SSK, K1. Work i-cord on 2 sts for 3 rows. SSK. Work i-cord on 1 st for 4 rows.

Finish off. Use end to attach point to shoe in a graceful curve. Work in other end.

Rib Version



Cast on 12 sts and join to work in the round.

Work 10 rounds in K1b (knit 1 through back loop of stitch), P1 ribbing.

Heel Flap:

(SI1, K1) 3 times.

SI1, P5.

Repeat these two rows once more.

Turn heel:

K3, SSK, wrap and turn.

P1, P2 tog, wrap and turn.

K2, Knit next stitch together with the wrap.

Using the same needle, pick up 3 sts along side of heel flap.

Switching to other needle, continue in rib as established.

Using the first needle, pick up three stitches along other side of heel flap, knit 1 st together with its wrap, knit to end of needle.

Continue working instep needle in rib as established.

For sole:

Next row, SSK, K6, K2 tog.

Knit 1 row even.

SSK, K4, K2 tog.

Knit 2 rows even.

(K2 tog, K1) 4 times.

K 1 row (8 sts)

K2 tog around.

Work 2 more rows even on 4 stitches.

K2, SSK and move this third stitch to the same needle with the other 2.

Work i-cord on 3 stitches for 4 rows.

K1, SSK.

Work i-cord on 2 sts for 3 rows.

SSK.

Work i-cord on 1 st for 3 rows.

Finish off.

Place toe curl in a graceful position and attach with yarn end.

Work in other end.