

WOMEN'S OR TEEN AGE BOOTEE

Number 744-20

Stocking Size 8 to 11

MATERIALS REQUIRED:

Columbia-Minerva Knitting Worsted (4 ounce skein)-1 skein

OR

Nantuk Knitting Worsted (2 ounce skein)-2 skeins

Knitting Needles: 1 pair "Boye" Size 8

Gauge: 4-1/2 stitches to 1 inch

Starting at back of heel cast on 43 stitches.

Row 1 (Right side of work)-Knit 4, purl 1, knit 33, purl 1, knit 4.

Row 2-Knit 16, purl 1, knit 9, purl 1, knit 16.

Repeat these 2 rows for 3 1/2 inches, ending with Row 2, then work as follows:
Bind off 6 stitches, knit 32, including stitch already on right needle, purl 1, knit 4.

Next row bind off 6 stitches, knit 10, including stitch on needle, purl 1, knit 9, purl 1, knit 10. Now work
ribbed pattern at each side as follows:

Row 1-Work in knit 1, purl 1, ribbing across 10 stitches, knit 11 (*See Diane's Note*), work in purl 1, knit 1, ribbing across last 10 stitches.

Row 2-Work in purl 1, knit 1, ribbing across 10 stitches, purl 1, knit 9 (*See Diane's Note*), purl 1, work in knit 1, purl 1 ribbing, across last 10 stitches.

(Diane's note: Instead of keeping the heel into the foot, I just knit 1 purl 1 across for the foot on Row 1 and the same for Row 2 (Purl 1 Knit 1). But it works either way))

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 of ribbed pattern until bootee measures same length as stocking size from cast-on edge. Do not bind off but break yarn, leaving a 14 inch strand for sewing. With tapestry or darning needle draw strand through the stitches on needle, forming a ring. Fasten yarn securely, then sew edges of ribbed section together on wrong side of work. Break yarn and fasten. Starting at cuff, sew seam at back of bootee, drawing the 9 stitches of sole together to form a half ring. Break yarn and fasten.