



## Entrelac socks

Entrelac is made up of small triangles and rectangles, knit one at a time.

This usually involves a lot of turning your work because you knit a small number of stitches and then purl them over and over.

With reverse knitting (rk) the purl rows are replaced by rk rows, which eliminates the turning.

Some knitters like this, others are not comfortable with reverse knitting.

This pattern gives you both options with the turn and purl in ( ).

Yarn: about 350 yards heavy sock weight yarn like Adriafile knitcol 100% merino superwash or Opal 6 ply winter sock yarn

Needles: US 1 and 2, 40 inch circulars (magic loop method) or double pointed needles

Tapestry needle

### Abbreviations:

k = knit

p = purl

pm = place marker

wyib = with yarn held in back of work

rk = reverse knit - insert left-hand needle into the back of the st on the right hand needle, wrap yarn left to right over the left-hand needle and draw the loop through.

Make sure to wrap the yarn the right way to avoid twisting the st.

rk2tog: insert left-hand needle into the back of 2 sts on the right-hand needle wrap yarn left to right over left-hand needle and draw the loop through.

dblst = double stitch

rdblst = reverse double stitch

### Leg

On US size 2 needles cast on 56 sts and join in the round.

Knit ribbing - k1, p1 - for 1 1/2 inches = about 12 rounds.

Switch to smaller US size 1 needle.

Decrease in following round as follows:

[k6, k2tog] repeat to end of round = 49 sts

Entrelac base triangle:

Row 1: k1 (k1, turn)  
Row 2: rk1 (p1, turn)  
Row 3: slip 1, k1 (slip 1, k1, turn)  
Row 4: rk 2 (p2, turn)  
Row 5: slip 1, k2 (slip 1, k2, turn)  
Row 6: rk3 (p3, turn)  
Row 7: slip 1, k3 (slip 1, k3, turn)  
Row 8: rk4 (p4, turn)  
Row 9: slip 1, k4 (slip 1, k4, turn)  
Row 10: rk5 (p5, turn)  
Row 11: slip 1, k5 (slip 1, k5, turn)  
Row 12: rk6 (p6, turn)  
Row 13: slip 1, k6 (slip 1, k6, turn)

Repeat row 1 to 13 six more times = 7 triangles total

Right slanting rectangle

rk7 (turn, p7)

\*Pick up and rk 7 sts along slipped edge of triangle (pick up and purl 7 sts along slipped edge of triangle, turn)

Rows 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13: k7 (k7, turn)  
Rows 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12: slip 1, rk5, rk2tog (slip 1, p5, p2tog, turn)  
Row 14: slip 1, rk5, rk2tog (slip 1, p5, p2tog)

Repeat from \* for six more rectangles.

Left slanting rectangles

k7 (turn, k7)

\*Pick up and knit 7 sts along slipped edge of rectangle or (pick up and knit 7 sts along slipped edge of rectangle and turn).

Rows 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13: rk7 (p7, turn)  
Rows 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12: slip 1, k5, ssk (slip 1, k5, ssk, turn)  
Row 14: slip 1, k5, ssk (slip 1, k5, ssk)

Repeat from \* six more times = 7 rectangles total

Repeat the right slanting rectangle section,  
then the left slanting rectangle section.

Top triangles with live sts to end the entrelac part of the sock:

rk 7 (turn, p7)  
\* Pick up and rk 7, (pick up and p7)  
k7, (turn, k7)  
rk6, rk2tog, (turn, p6, p2tog)  
k7, (turn, k7)  
rdblst, rk5, rk2tog (turn, dblst, p5, p2tog)  
k6, (turn, p6)  
rdblst, rk4, rk2tog (turn, dblst, p4, p2tog)  
k5 (turn, p5)

rdblst, rk3, rk2tog (turn, dblst, p3, p2tog)  
k4 (turn, p4)  
rdblst, rk2, rk2tog (turn, dblst, p2, p2tog)  
k3 (turn, p3)  
rdblst, rk1, rk2tog (turn, dblst, p1, p2tog)  
k2 (turn, p2)  
rdblst, rk2tog (turn, dblst, p2tog)

repeat from \* six times = 7 triangles

You should have 49 sts on your needles.  
You are back to knitting in the round.

Next round: [k7, pick up and knit on stitch in gap] x 7 = 56 sts

Switch to US size 2 needles and knit two rounds.

### **Heel**

The Heel-flap is knit on half the sts in rows.

Row 1: k2, [sl 1 as to purl wyib, k1] x 13  
Row 2: sl 1 as to purl, p27  
Row 3: sl 1 as to knit, k1, [sl 1 as to purl wyib, k1] x 13

Repeat rows 2 and 3 eleven times.

Turn heel:

Row 1: sl 1 as to purl, p15, p2tog, p1 (9 sts will be left unworked)  
Row 2: sl 1 as to knit, k5, ssk, k1 (9 sts will be left unworked)  
Row 3: sl 1 as to purl, p6, p2tog, p1  
Row 4: sl 1 as to knit, k7, ssk, k1  
Row 5: sl 1 as to purl, p8, p2tog, p1  
Row 6: sl 1 as to knit, k9, ssk, k1  
Row 7: sl 1 as to purl, p10, p2tog, p1  
Row 8: sl 1 as to knit, k11, ssk, k1  
Row 9: sl 1 as to purl, p12, p2tog, p1  
Row 10: sl 1 as to knit, k13, ssk, k1  
Row 11: sl 1 as to purl, p14, p2tog  
Row 12: sl 1 as to knit, k14, ssk  
By now you worked up all unworked sts and have 16 heel sts on your needle.

### **Gusset**

Pick up and knit 13 sts along edge of heel flap, k28, pick up and knit 13 sts along other edge of heel flap.

For magic loop rearrange needles as follows:

k8, push all sts onto cable, divide sts in half, pull out loop in middle, push sts to needle tips (you should have 35 sts on each side).

Now proceed with magic loop method in rounds.

Round 1: k20, pm, [k15] x 2, pm, k20

Round 2: k to 2 sts before 1<sup>st</sup> marker, k2tog, move marker, k to 2<sup>nd</sup> marker, move marker, ssk,  
k to end of round

Round 3: k all sts (moving markers as you get to them)

Repeat rounds 2 and 3 until your total stitch count = 56 sts.

Remove markers on last round!

Now rearrange needles as follows:

k14, move all sts to cable.

Divide sts in half and pull out loop in middle.

Move each half to needle tip and keep knitting with magic loop method in round until sock measures 1 1/2 inches less than foot.

### **Toe decreases**

Round 1: k1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts on first half of magic loop round, k2tog, k1,  
k1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts on second half of magic loop round, k2tog, k1

Round 1: knit

Repeat rounds 1 and 2 until this part measures 1 1/2 inches.

Close with kitchener sts as follows:

Cut yarn, leaving a 15 inch tale and thread it into tapestry needle

**Set up:**

**1.**

**Insert tapestry needle into the first stitch on the front needle as if to purl.**

**Draw yarn through stitch, leaving stitch on knitting needle.**

**2.**

**Insert tapestry needle into the first stitch on back needle as to knit, leaving stitch on knitting needle.**

**3.**

**Insert tapestry needle into the first stitch on the front needle as to knit.**

**Slip stitch off knitting needle. Insert tapestry needle into the next stitch on same (front) needle as to purl. Draw yarn through stitches, leaving stitch on knitting needle.**

**4.**

**Insert tapestry needle into the first stitch on back needle as to purl.**

**Draw yarn through stitch and slip stitch off knitting needle. Insert needle into the next stitch on back needle as to knit, leaving stitch on knitting needle.**

**Repeat 3. and 4. until all stitches on both needles have been woven together.**

**Weave in ends. Start your second sock right away!**