

# SAMPLE COVER PAGE

## PEPPERMINT STICKS



**Size 4 us (3.5 mm)** double pointed knitting needles, or size needed to obtain planned gauge, set of 4 or 5.

Blunt sewing needle.

**Gauge:** 20 stitches and 23 rows per 3 inches in the 2-color pattern measured unstretched. (see chart on page 3)

Easy-to-knit two-color socks with spiraling stripes give the simple tube sock a peppermint twist. No grafting needed for the spiral decrease toes and no heel shaping either! Make several to keep on hand for unplanned gifts, since the adaptable tube shape fits any foot length. Choose to make your socks the same or right-left mirror images.

### Sizing

Adult medium-large. Each tube sock is 19½" long by 9" around unstretched. Stretches to fit upper calf. Conforms to narrower ankles and feet when worn twisted slightly around leg.

### Yarn and Needles

DK or worsted weight yarn (11 to 12 wraps per inch) as follows:

red or other choice of main color — 250 yards (3½ - 4 oz)

ecru or other choice of contrast color — 150 yards (2 - 2¼ oz)

**Note:** Please adjust stated yardage accordingly if you are making adjustments to planned size and gauge.

**Skill Level:** Advanced beginner with some familiarity with knitting circularly on double point needles and handling 2 colors.

## Pattern Instructions

Reference next page for abbreviations.

Using red or other chosen main color, cast on loosely 48 sts for cuff. Evenly divide sts onto 3 or 4 dp ndls.

**Note:** If using a set of 4 dp ndls, you will have 16 sts on each of 3 ndls. If using 5 dp ndls, 12 sts on each of 4 ndls.

Being careful that sts are not twisted around ndls, join into a rnd. This join marks the eor.

Ribbing rnd: {k2, p2} 12 times.

Re-check that your cast on edge is not twisted around the ndls, if so correct now at eor join.

Repeat ribbing rnd until cuff is 4 inches long.

On next rnd, increase as follows:

{k1, m1, k1, p2} 12 times. (60 sts)

Proceed with either Right-twist or Left-twist Peppermint Stick instructions on next page.

For second sock, repeat these instructions, making either the same or reverse twist.

*Enjoy!*

*Jackie*