

Comfort Socks Set

At-home Comfort ... On-the-go Comfort



Soft comfortable socks designed with the men in your life in mind. Now add the heartfelt touch of hand-knit to fit, and this becomes a special gift from you to a loved one. Even the quietest and least expressive of guys is showing you his appreciation when he wears the socks you made.

The Comfort Socks Set presents coordinated designs for a set of socks — one pair for lounging comfort and one for everyday out-and-about wear. The At-home Comfort socks (shown to left in photo) have a dressy band of Norwegian Braid and Bohus Pearls on the leg. The companion On-the-go Comfort socks (right) have a coordinating single Norwegian Braid. On both socks, the comfy ribbing is carried down the foot, ending with a simple toe closure (no Kitchener stitch!)

The main yarn used for At-home Comfort is a luxury fiber. This pair of socks in the set is not intended to be a hard-wearing or "work" sock, but rather a soft comfortable sock for relaxation or to provide warmth for the ailing. The main yarn for On-the-go Comfort is a sturdier practical yarn for enhanced wear. The main yarn in each pair is used as the accent yarn in the other pair.

Sizing

Men's small, with changes for medium, large, and extra-large in the [, ,] brackets. Planned finished measurements: foot length 10[10½,11½,12½]" (approximate men's shoe size 8[10,12,16]), sock circumference around foot 8[8½,9¼,9¾]", leg length above heel flap 8[8½,9,9½]".

Yarn and Needles

Sport/DK weight yarn as follows —

Luxury yarn (L): 275[315,365,420] yds for main yarn in At-home and 6 yds for accent yarn in On-the-go.

Practical yarn (P): 285[325,375,430] yds for main yarn in On-the-go and 30 yds for accent yarn in At-home.

If altering planned finished measurements, consider if additional yarn may be needed.

In choosing your yarns, consider a nice contrast in colors as well as possibly texture. Both yarns should be of the same general gauge to work together in the stitch patterns.

Our luxury yarn included linen in the alpaca blend, and our practical yarn was a cable-plied structure, thus naturally providing natural strength. You may wish to use reinforcement thread carried along with main yarn in heels and toes if your yarns are a softer-wearing variety.

US 2 double-pointed needles, or size to obtain planned **gauge of 6½ st/inch** over stockinette stitch.

US 3 double-pointed needles, or 1 size larger than needle size used to obtain gauge.

Tapestry needle and crochet hook (optional) for finishing.

For socks as pictured (2 pair in the set) use

(L) 2[3,3,3] balls of Haneke Exotics 30% baby alpaca/35% linen/35% merino wool (50g/147 yds) in #2199 burgundy, and

(P) 3[4,4,5] balls of Heirloom Easycare 8 superwash 100% wool of merino/merino cross (50g/105 yds) in #797 silver gray.