## KNITTING PASSION



## SLIPPERS

## MATERIAL

YARN $=200$ grams of col. of your choice SLIPPERS by LAINES DU NORD (for one pair of slippers) CIRCULAR NEEDLES $=6 \mathrm{~mm}$ points with 40 cm and 60 cm cables
OTHERS = stitch marker of the beginning of the round col. A (SMb A), 2 stitch markers col. B (SM B), darning needle, pins, scissors, tape measure

## MEASURES

- Foot size: 35/36

Foot length cm: 21/22
Slipper length cm: (before felting): 28/29

- Foot size: $37 / 38$

Foot length cm: 23/24
Slipper length cm: (before felting): 31,5/32

- Foot size: 39/40/41

Foot length cm: 25/26/27
Slipper length cm: (before felting): 33/34/36

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## Stocking Stitch in back-and-forth rows

1st r. (RS): knit all sts.
2nd r. (WS): purl all sts.
Always rep. 1st and 2nd row.
Invisible closing in round: slip 1st st. from left to right needle. Pass 2 nd st. from right needle over 1st st. and drop it. After fastening the work, pull 2 yarns together (yarn from ball and cast-on end); the stitch you have dropped will tighten itself and make one knot, shaping the invisible closing and fastening the ring. At last, move the 1st st. from right to left point, then place SM on right point.

Bar increase: across one r. on RS,knit the stitch twice, once like usually and second time through back loop, at last drop it from left needle.

Increase to right, on RS.
Increase to left, on RS.
Increase to right, on WS.
Increase to left, on WS.
Decrease to right (RS): k2tog.
Decrease to left (RS): slip first st. k-wise, slip second stitch too. Move both stitches onto left needle as they appear and then knit them together through back loop.

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## NOTES

This pattern suits for foot-size from 35 to 41.
Using the circular needles, work the slippers in stocking st. in round, beg. from the point. At Mid-foot approx., cont. working in back-and-forth r. until you have completed back of heel and ankle. At last, sew the point and the back side (to close the heel).

After finishing, the slippers are 30\% bigger than required size, then felt them as foll.: to ease this process, wrap the slippers in a towel, then, using enzymes-and-whiteners-free detergent, wash in the washing machine at 40 degrees and longtime washing program (not delicate garments). After washing, block the wet slippers, according to required size. To do this step, follow the table.

## Next washes: wool garment program.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

> RS $=$ right side of work
> WS $=$ wrong side of work

SM = stitch marker
SMb = stitch marker of the beginning of the round
r. $=$ row(s) / round(s)
st.(s) = stitch(es)
incr. $=$ increase
col. = color
decr. $=$ decrease
k=knit
yo = yarn over
tog. = together
rep. = repeat
p = purl
foll. $=$ follow(ing)

## INSTRUCTIONS

## FIRST PIECE (for all sizes)

1st round: cast-on 20 sts. (1) and close in round with invisible closing technique, place SMb A .
NB: move the SMb A and SM B upwards as you work.
2nd round: k5, place 1 SM B, k10, place 1 SM B, k5, reaching the SMb A.
3rd round: * knit all sts. until 1 st. before the SM B, 1 bar incr., move the SM B, 1 bar incr. *, rep. from * to * once more, reaching the SMb A.

4th round: knit all sts. without increases.
Cont. rep. 3rd and 4th round, according to the sizes, as foll.:

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- Only for sizes 35/36 rep. 3 rd and 4th round 3 times in total; after increasing, there are 32 sts. (10th round).
- Only for sizes 37/38 rep. 3 rd and 4th round 4 times in total; after increasing, there are 36 sts. (12th round).
- Only for sizes 39/40/41 rep. 3rd and 4th round 5 times in total; after increasing, there are 40 sts. (14th round).

11th (13th or 15th) round: knit all $32(36-40)$ sts., across the entire round.
Rep. 11th (13th or 15th) round reaching the total height, according to the sizes (measure from point):

- 12 cm for sizes 35/36
- 14 cm for sizes 37/38
- 16 cm for sizes 39/40/41


## SECOND PIECE

Cont. with circular needles in back-and-forth rows. Remove the SMb A.
NB: now use 2 SM B (you have used in first piece of the pattern) to visually identify only the beginning of front piece and base of the slipper. For this reason, we move them upwards as we work in back-and-forth rows.

1st r. (WS): purl all sts.
Across next r., incr. 2 sts.: 1 st. at beg. (= incr. to left) and 1 st. at the end of work (= incr. to right).
2nd r. (RS): slip 1st st., 1 incr. to left, knit all sts. until first SM B, move the SM B, for this size there are k9 (18 sts. divided by $2=9$ ), then on right point, place the SMb A (removed across this second piece that you work in back-andforth rows); now the SMb A marks the middle of sole of slipper, where you'll work the decreases across next rows. K9 more, move the SM B, knit until second-last st., in last st. work 1 incr. to right.

3rd r. (WS): purl all sts.
4th r. (RS): slip 1st st., 1 incr. to left, knit until first SM B, move the SM B, knit until 3 sts. before the SMb A, 1 decr. to left (with third-last and second-last st.), k1, move the SMb A, k1, second decr. to right (with second and third st. after the SMb A ), knit until second-last st. of the r., 1 incr. to right.

5th r. (WS): purl all sts.
6th r. (RS): rep. 4th r.
7th r. (WS): purl all sts.
8th r. (RS): rep. 4th r.
Across next $r$., on WS, 1 incr. to left at beg. and end of $r$. and 1 incr. to right at the end of $r$.
9th r. (WS): slip 1st st., purl 1 incr. to left, purl all sts. until first SM B, move the SM B, purl until 3 sts. before the SMb A, 1 decr. to left (with the third-last and second-last st.), k1, move the SMb A, k1, 1 decr. to right (with second and third st. after the SMb A ), purl all sts. until second-last st. of the r., purl 1 incr. to right on last st.

10th r. (RS): across this r., do not decrease at sole of the slipper. Slip 1st st., 1 incr. to left, knit all sts. until secondlast st. of the r., 1 incr. to right.

11th r. (WS): rep. 9th r.
12th r. (RS): across this r., do not decrease at sole of the slipper. Slip 1st st., 1 incr. to left, knit all sts. until secondlast st. of the r., 1 incr. to right.

Cont. in stocking st. reaching the centimeters required for your size (see table).

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## FINISHING

Using a third needle bind off as foll.:
1st step: divide the sts. in half placing first half onto right needle and second half onto left needle. To make it easier, pull the cable until the middle.

2nd step: using left hand, grip both points of circular needle.
3rd step: move the sts. to points of the needles.
4th step: close 2 points parallelly (RS against RS).
5th step: using the left hand, grip the third needle and knit 1st st. on point A (point closed to you) and 1st st. on point B (in back) together; on third needle in your right hand, you get the 1st knitted st. Cont. knitting second couple of sts. together and then all next couples.

NB: in case there is an odd number of sts., work last st. alone.
After joining all sts., using the scissors, cut the yarn, leaving 20 cm tail.
Heel: fold the lower point, on WS sew 4 cm horizontally approx. You get a triangle in excess. Cut it and using the darning needle give the finishing touch to cut edge.

Point: using the darning needle, on WS, pass the end of cast-on yarn through the sts., to fix and hide it.
Give the finishing touch to opening of the slipper: using the circular needles with 40 cm cable, and beginning from center of front, pick-up:

- 40 sts. for size 35/36
- 44 sts. for size 37/38
- 48/50 sts. for size 39/40/41

Make sure to have same number of stitches on both r. (i.e., 48 sts. $=24$ sts. picked-up from right part and 24 sts. picked up from left part of the slipper).

Work 4 round in stocking st. in round and at last bind off.
Hide the ends.

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## IMAGES



