



BORRACHA SOCKS

Designed to show what kind of fun you can have with our variegated yarns! This crazy stitch pattern creates an offset striped look that wiggles and wobbles from toe to top! It almost looks like we might have been a little bit... well... borracha when we created it! With toe-up construction and a yarn over short-row heel, this pattern is written for *either* the Two Circular Needle or Magic Loop method (and it could easily be converted for DPNs for those of you who like to work with lots of sticks!)

YARN: Knitters Brewing Co: **sock-aholic™**, 75% Washable Wool / 25% Nylon, Fingering Weight, 385 yards
Color 114, Raspberry Mojito, one skein.

SIZING: Medium width. Foot length is established by knitter.

NEEDLES: US Size 2. Directions as written work for the Magic Loop or Two Circular Needle method.

GAUGE: 32 sts and 40 rows = 4" in Stockinette Stitch



Borracha Socks shown in **sock-aholic™** color Raspberry Mojito

ABBREVIATIONS:

| | |
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| dcinc | double-centered increase |
| k | knit |
| k2tog | knit 2 together |
| k3tog | knit 3 together |
| M1 | make 1 |
| p | purl |
| p2tog tbl | purl 2 together through the back loops |
| RS | right side |
| ssk | slip, slip, knit |
| SSP | slip, slip, purl. Sl1 k-wise, slip another k-wise. Return slipped sts to left needle. Insert right needle up into back loops of the two stitches and purl them together from this position (p2tog tbl). |
| SSSP | slip, slip, slip, purl. Same as SSP, with three sts instead of two. |
| st(s) | stitch(es) |
| WS | wrong side |
| YO | yarn over |

STITCH PATTERNS:

Borracha Stitch Pattern¹: (all rows worked from RS)

Round 1: *K2tog, k9, dcinc; repeat from * to end.
Rounds 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10: *K2tog, k11, repeat from * to end.
Round 3: *K2tog, k7, dcinc, k2; repeat from * to end.
Round 5: *K2tog, k5, dcinc, k4; repeat from * to end.
Round 7: *K2tog, k3, dcinc, k6; repeat from * to end.
Round 9: *K2tog, k1, dcinc, k8; repeat from * to end.
Round 11: Dcinc, k9, ssk; repeat from * to end.
Rounds 12, 14, 16, 18, and 20: K11, ssk; repeat from * to end.
Round 11: Dcinc, k9, ssk; repeat from * to end.
Round 13: K2, dcinc, k7, ssk; repeat from * to end.
Round 15: K4, dcinc, k5, ssk; repeat from * to end.
Round 17: K6, dcinc, k3, ssk; repeat from * to end.
Round 19: K8, dcinc, k1, ssk; repeat from * to end.

Stockinette Stitch: Knit all RS rows. Purl all WS rows.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Cast on 16 sts to each needle using Judy's Magic Cast On².

Toe:

Round 1: Knit sts on first needle. Knit in back of sts on second needle.
Round 2: K1, M1, k to within one st from end of Needle 1, M1, k1. Repeat for Needle 2.
Round 3: Knit
Repeat rounds 2-3 eight more times. [36 sts on each needle]

Foot:

Needle 1: Work sole in stockinette pattern on first needle.
Needle 2: Work Borracha pattern on the second needle for top of foot.
Work until sock measures 2 inches less than measured foot length.
End foot with an even numbered pattern row.

Shape Heel:

Redistribute sts on needles in a toe-centered manner by slipping 4 sts from each end of Needle 2 to Needle 1. Needle 1 (sole) needle now holds 44 sts for heel, and Needle 2 now holds 28 sts for the top of the foot. Work Needle 1 sole stitches only for the heel.

Row 1 (RS): K43, leaving final st on left needle. Turn.

Row 2 (WS): Work YO at beg of row by placing working yarn under right needle, purl first st. (There are now three loops on right needle.) Purl to the last st, leaving it on the needle. Turn.

Row 3: Work YO at beg of row by placing working yarn over right needle, knit first st. (There are now three loops on right needle). Knit to the YO/st pair. Turn.

Row 4: Work YO at beg of row by placing working yarn under right needle, purl to the YO/st pair. Turn

Repeat rows 3-4 until there are 17 st between YO/st pairs. End with a purl row.

Turn Heel:

Row 1 (RS): YO, k18 (up to first YO on needle). Adjust mount of YO. K2tog. Turn.

Row 2: YO, p19 (to first YO on needle). SSP. Turn.

Row 3: YO, k20. Adjust mount of two YOs one at a time. K3tog. Turn.

Row 4: YO, p21. SSSP. Turn.

Repeat rows 3-4, knitting or purling up to the first YO on the needle before doing the decrease. Continue until all YOs have been worked. [44 sts on heel needle]

Leg:

Redistribute sts on needles in a toe-centered manner by slipping 4 sts from each end of Needle 1 to Needle 2. Each needle now holds 36 sts.

Work the Barracha pattern on both needles for approximately 5 inches. End leg with an even pattern row.

Cuff:

Work cuff in k1, p1 ribbing for 15 rows. Bind off loosely.

Borracha Stitch Pattern Chart

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| | knit |
| λ | k2tog |
| λ | ssk |
| ∇ | double-centered increase |
| | no stitch |

PATTERN NOTES

¹ Modified version of Ripple Weave, Plain Version by Barbara G. Walker as published in *Charted Knitting Designs: A Third Treasury of Knitting Patterns*, Schoolhouse Press, Pittsville, WI, 1998, page 26.

² Any "figure-eight" style cast on may be substituted here. For instructions for Judy's Magic Cast On, go to the Knitty.com link below for an excellent tutorial.
<http://knitty.com/ISSUEspring06/FEATmagiccaston.html>