





Signature Sparkle 4ply Ember - Back Loop Double Crochet Socks

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# **Back Loop Double Crochet Socks** by Anna Nikipirowicz

#### Yarn

West Yorkshire Spinners - Signature Sparkle 4ply



**Yuletide (1208)** 1 x 100g

Level: ● ● ○ ○ ○

#### Measurements

Please note that below measurements are before blocking and that the crochet fabric will stretch length-wise and width-wise.

Sock Size	S		М		L	
	UK	US	UK	US	UK	US
Shoe Size UK (US)	3-4	5-6	5-6	7–8	7–8	9–10
	cm	in	cm	in	cm	in
Foot Circumference (approximately)	17.5	7	19	71/2	20.5	8
Foot Length (approximately)	23	9	24	91/2	27	101/2
Leg Length (from top of heel shaping)	13.5	51/2	13.5	51/2	13.5	51/2

### **Equipment**

3mm (UK:11/US:C2-D3) crochet hook.

Two easily removable different coloured stitch markers. (I'll be using green and red markers)

#### Tension (Before Blocking)

12 sts and 11 rnds to 5cm (2in) measured over double crochet pattern worked in the round using 3mm crochet hook or size needed to achieve correct tension.

When you are making your tension swatch make sure it is done in the round as your tension may differ between rows and rounds.

It is essential to work to the stated tension to ensure success.

#### **Abbreviations**

**Blo** back loop only

Ch chain

Dec decrease

**Dc (US sc)** double crochet (US single crochet)

**Dc2tog** double crochet 2 together

**Inc** increase

Miss (US skip) omit stitch(es)

Patt pattern

RS right side

Rnd(s) round(s)

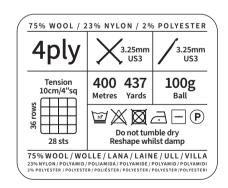
SI st slip stitch

St(s) stitch(es)

WS wrong side

#### **Pattern Notes**

Pattern is written using UK terminology, with US conversions given in brackets in the abbreviation list. Small size is shown outside the brackets, medium and large sizes are shown within brackets.





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#### Cuff

Using 3mm hook, make 11 ch.

Row 1 (WS): 1dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end, turn. 10 sts.

Row 2 (RS): 1ch (does not count as a st here and throughout), working in back loop of each st, 1dc in each st to end, turn.

Rep row 2 another 38 [42:46] times, ending with the **WS** facing for next row. (40 [44:48] rows in total)

**Seam Cuff**: 1ch, working in blo of each st, sl st across first and last row of cuff to join. Do not fasten off.

#### Leg

Rotate to work in row-ends of cuff.

Working in row-ends, 1ch, work 42 [46:50]dc evenly spaced around top edge of cuff, sl st to first st to join.

You may wish to place a **marker** to denote the beginning of round. You do not have to move it up as you work.

Rnd 2 (RS): 1dc blo in each st to end.

Rnd 2 sets dc back loop pattern and is repeated.

Rnds 3-5: Work in patt.

**Rnd 6 (inc)**: (2dc blo in next st, 20 [22:24]dc blo) twice. 44 [48:52] sts.

Rnds 7-12: Work in patt.

**Rnd 13 (inc)**: (2dc in next st, dc blo in next 21 [23:25] sts) twice. 46 [50:54] sts.

Rnds 14-21: Work in patt.

#### **Separating For Heel**

**Rnd 22:** Make 23 [25:27] chainless foundation dc, miss next 23 [25:27] sts, 1dc blo in each st to end. 46 [50:54] sts.

#### Foot

Rnd 23: 1dc blo in each st to end.

Rnds 24-26: Work in patt.

**Rnd 27 (dec)**: (Dc2tog blo, dc blo in next 21 [23:25] sts) twice. 44 [48:52] sts.

Rnds 28-32: Work in patt.

**Rnd 33 (dec)**: (Dc2tog blo, dc blo in next 20 [22:24] sts) twice. 42 [46:50] sts.

Work in dc blo patt until the foot measures 13 [13:15]cm from chainless foundation of separating from heel.

#### Toes

Lay the sock flat with the heel opening at the back, making sure that it's centred. **Place red marker** on side of the top of the sock, this will be your beg of rnd, dc blo to marker.

Rnd 1: Dc2tog, 16 [18:20]dc, dc2tog, 1dc in next st, place green maker in last st made, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before red marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with red marker. 38 [42:46] sts.

Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end, moving markers up as you work.

**Rnd 3**: Dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before green marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with **marker**, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before red marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with **marker**. 34 [38:42] sts.

Rep rnds 2-3 another 3 [4:5] times. 22 sts

Fasten off leaving a tail of approximately 15cm. Using tapestry needle and the tail sew toes opening closed on WS.

## **Afterthought Heel**

With **RS** facing join yarn at the bottom right corner of the heel opening, working along the sole, work 25 [27:29]dc evenly spaced, **place red marker** in last st made, working along the other side of heel opening, work 25 [27:29]dc evenly spaced, **place green marker** in last st made. 50 [54:58] sts.

**Rnd 1**: Dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before the red marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with **marker**, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before green marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with **marker**. 46 [50:54] sts.

Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end, moving markers up as you work.

Rnd 3: Dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before the red marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with marker, dc2tog, 1dc in each st to 2 sts before green marker, dc2tog, 1dc in st with marker. 42 [46:50] sts.

Rep rnds 2-3 another 5 [5:5] times. 22 [26:30] sts.

Fasten off leaving a tail of approximately 15 cm. Using tapestry needle and the tail sew heel opening closed. Weave in the end.

#### **Finishing**

Weave in ends.

When you complete your socks you may wish to wet block them. To do this soak your socks in lukewarm water, squeeze out excess moisture and pin out to size or place them on sock blockers. I pin them out on the side and in line with the sides of toes and heel. Allow to dry naturally.





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