

TOE UP ... BUTTON DOWN



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The button down sock is a body and cuff all in one. Pick your favorite color of TOFUtsies and eight fabulous buttons to create this wonderful sock. For some real fun, pick eight buttons that are similar in color but different in shape. Mix it up and have some fun!

Materials:

SWTC Tofutsies, 1 ball
US 1 or 2 needles (we used dpns here but change to circs)
Needle to weave in ends

Additional Materials:

8 buttons from Gail Hughes Art Buttons
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Stitches Used:

K2tog: Knit 2 together **S1:** slip 1 stitch

M1R: Make One Right - From the back, lift loop between stitches with left needle, knit into front of loop

sskWSL: Slip the next stitch knitwise, insert needle point into loop at the base of next stitch. Knit the slipped stitch and the loop together through the back loops.

p2togWSL: Slip the next stitch purlwise, insert the needle point into loop at base of next stitch. Purl the two together.

Ssk: slip, slip, knit. Slip the next 2 stitches knitwise one at a time, > Insert tip of left hand needle and knit these stitches together.

Foot:

Using a cast-on method of your choice, begin toe with 16 sts. Divide sts on DPNs as follows:

N1: 4 bottom of foot sts **N2:** 8 top of foot sts **N3:** 4 bottom of foot sts

Begin working in the round. Depending on your cast on method, you may need to knit a few stitches to get to N1 for next section.

Round 1: **N1:** (Sole) K to last st, M1R. **N2:** (Instep) K3, M1R, PM, K to last st, M1R. **N3:** (Sole) K to last st, M1R.

Round 2: Knit all stitches.

Round 3: **N1:** K to last st, M1R. **N2:** K to last st before marker, M1R, pass marker. K to last st, M1R. **N3:** K to last st, M1R.

Round 4: Work even. Repeat Rnd 1 until there are 36 total sts.

Next round: work even and then repeat rounds 1 and 2 until there are 64 sts.

Foot:

Continue working in the round until piece measures approximately 2" inches less than desired foot length.

Complete sts on N2. Slide stitches from N3 to N1 (32 sts). During this section, the 32 sts on N2 (instep) will not be worked.

Begin Heel:

Begin working stitches on N1 as follows:

Rw 1: (RS) K32 sts. Turn.

Rw 2: (WS) S1 1, p31 sts. Turn.

Rw 3: S1 1, k30 sts. Turn.

Rw 4: S1 1, p29 sts. Turn.

Rw 5: S1 1, k28 sts. Turn.

Rw 6: S1 1, p27 sts. Turn.

Rw 7: S1 1, k26 sts. Turn.

Rw 8: S1 1, p25 sts. Turn.

Rw 9: S1 1, k24 sts. Turn.

Rw 10: S1 1, p23 sts. Turn.

Rw 11: S1 1, k22 sts. Turn.

Rw 12: S1 1, p21 sts. Turn.

Rw 13: S1 1, k20 sts. Turn.

Rw 14: S1 1, p19 sts. Turn.

Rw 15: S1 1, k18 sts. Turn.

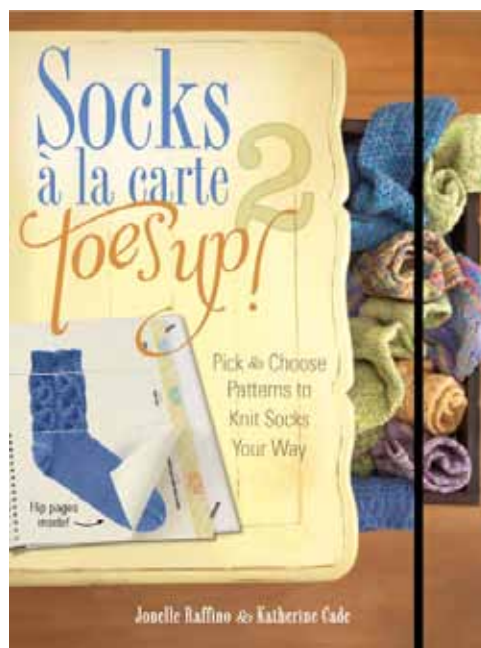
Rw 16: S1 1, p17 sts. Turn.

Rw 17: S1 1, k16 sts. Turn.

Rw 18: S1 1, p15 sts. Turn.



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Turn Heel

Rw 1: Sl 1, K13 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 2: Sl 1, p12 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 3: Sl 1, k13 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 4: Sl 1, p14 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 5: Sl 1, k15 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 6: Sl 1, p16 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 7: Sl 1, k17 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 8: Sl 1, p18 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 9: Sl 1, k19 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 10: Sl 1, p20 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 11: Sl 1, k21 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 12: Sl 1, p22 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 13: Sl 1, k23 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 14: Sl 1, p24 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 15: Sl 1, k25 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 16: Sl 1, p26 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 17: Sl 1, k27 sts, sskWSL. Turn.
Rw 18: Sl 1, p28 sts, p2togWSL. Turn.
Rw 19: Sl 1, k 29, pick up loop from base of last st and ssk with last st. Turn.
Rw 20: Sl 1, p 30, pick up loop from base of last st and ptog with last st. Turn.
K 16 sts.

Resume working in the round:

With a free needle, work to last heel st. Pick up loop between last heel st and first instep st and knit together with last heel st.

N1: Knit across to last st. Pick up st between last instep st and first heel st and knit together with last instep st.

N3: K all sts

Knit 12 more rounds evenly and then begin the leg pattern. Increase 2 stitches in the last row of each foot so that you start the body on 66 sts.

Welting Fantastic Stitch for right sock

Rows 1-5: Knit

Rows 6, 8, 10, 12: *K2tog, k2, KFB in each of the next 2 sts, k3, ssk*. Repeat * to * across.

Rows 7,9, 11: Purl

Right sock:

Complete instep stitches, STOP and TURN. From this point work back and forth in rows until sock reaches desired length. This sock will be worked flat. No additional cuff will be needed for this sock.

Row 1: Knit 1st row of Welting Fantastic and turn.

Row 2: Cast on 8 sts using a knitted cast on. Place marker and work row 2 of Welting Fantastic Pattern stitch.

Continue to work in Welting Fantastic pattern stitch but keep these additional 8 stitches in garter stitch throughout sock.

Continue until sock reaches desired length.

Left Sock:

Row 1: Work across 32 sole stitches. Turn.

Row 2: Cast on 8 stitches using knitted cast on. Place marker. Complete Row 1 of Welting Fantastic pattern.

Continue to work in Welting Fantastic pattern stitch but keep these additional 8 stitches in garter stitch throughout sock. Continue until sock reaches 6 inches or the desired length.

Finishing:

Starting at top edge on right sock and bottom edge of opening on left sock, complete 3 single crochet across garter ridges and 5 single crochet across pattern sections. Make sure to crochet evenly along the front edge opening. Chain 1 and turn.

Next, you can create button loops wherever you want them on your sock. Single crochet to the first location, chain enough stitches to accommodate your button (we chained 8!), skip 3-4 stitches (again, gauge this to fit your button), and continue to single crochet until you reach the next button location. Repeat this until you have loops for all of your buttons. Single crochet to the end. Chain 1 and turn. Finally, slip stitch in each single crochet and each chain stitch loosely. This will create a beautiful finished edge. Fasten off. Weave in ends and sew on your buttons.