

Four Leaf Toe-ver

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You've been asking us to share crocheted sock patterns and Pinka took the challenge seriously. This adorable sock is her gift to all of you this month!

Materials:

SWTC Tofutsies: 1 ball, color# 854
Size C/2 (2.5mm) crochet hook
2 stitch markers
Yarn needle

Gauge: 24 sts/13 rows = 4" in dc
32 sts/36 rows = 4" in sc

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished size: Woman's average
Finished circumference: 7.5 in



Note: This sock is started using the crochet foundation stitch for dc (dcf) since it allows a bit more elasticity than starting with a chain. Here are the basic instructions as described in "Crochet Socks! 16 Fun-to-Stitch Patterns" by Janet Rehfeldt and Mary Jane Wood.

1. Ch 3, yo, insert hook into third ch from hook. Yo, pull yarn through st.
2. Yo, pull yarn through 1 lp on hook (ch 1 made).
3. Yo, pull yarn through 2 lps on hook.
4. Yo, pull yarn through last 2 lps on hook (first dc made). *Yo, insert hook through first loop (made in step 2) and bottom bump of ch.
5. Yo, pull yarn through, ch 1, yo, pull yarn through 2 lps on hook, yo, pull yarn through last 2 lps on hook*, rep from * to *, making each new dc in the previous ch.

Cuff/leg: With C hook, work 48 dcf. Join rnd with ss in 3rd of beg ch and sew bottom on rnd together.
Rnd 1: Ch 1, *bpdc in next st, fpdc in next st*. Repeat from * to * around. Do not join round.
Continue to work bpdc in bpdc from previous row and fpdc from previous row around until cuff leg measures 5 1/2".

Heel Flap: Sc in next 24 sts. *Ch 1, turn. Sc across 24 sts*. Repeat from * to * for 20 rows total.

Turn Heel: Ch 1, turn. *Sc in 1st st, sc decr in next two sts, sc to end.* Repeat from * to * to 14 sts.

Note: The gusset and foot are worked in extended single crochet (esc) and is worked as follows: insert hook in st, yo and pull up loop. Yo and go through 1st loop, yo and go through 2 loops.

Heel Gusset: Ch 1, turn. With RS facing, work esc across 14 sts, then esc in every other row along side of heel flap (15 esc). PM in next st – this will be the 1st st of the instep. Esc across 24 sts of instep and PM in last st. Esc in every other row along other side of heel flap (15 esc). Do not join rounds.

Rnd 1: Work esc to last two sts before marker. Esc decr over next two sts. Work esc over next 24 sts, esc decr in two sts after marker, esc around.

Continue working rnd 1 until 48 sts remaining.

Foot: Work esc around until foot measures 7.5" from base of heel.

Shape Toe: Fold sock flat to separate top from bottom of sock. PM on each side.

Rnd 1: *Sc to last 2 sts before marker, sc decr over next two sts, sc in marked st, sc decr over next two sts.* Repeat from * to * around. (4 sts decreased)

Rnd 2: Work sc around.

Repeat rnd 1 & 2 until 32 sts remain. Repeat only rnd 1 until 20 sts remain. Sew toe closed. Weave in ends.

Cuff Edging:

Note: Because cuff will be folded over to show off fancy edging, it will be necessary to work edging from the inside (WS). Also, rnd 1 is a bit awkward and I have personally found it easier to work it with the sock sideways – with the sock on my right side (will be on the left if you're left handed). I also found it easier when slip stitching (attaching) to work the rnd from bottom to top – so the 2nd clover will be above the 1st. It's a bit weird, but the outcome will hopefully be worth it.

Rnd 1: Without attaching to cuff, *ch 4. 2 dc in 4th ch from hook. Ch 4, dc in 4th ch from hook (this ch will be used as center for rest of clover). Slip stitch on top of a fpdc st, (dc, ch 3, sl st) in center ch. Ch 3, 2 dc in center ch.* Repeat from * to * around and in every other fpdc – 24 clovers started. Join rnd by joining last clover to 1st.

Rnd 2: Working in a normal manner, *ch 3, sl st in center ch from rnd 1. (Ch 3, 2 dc, ch 3, sl st) in center ch. Ch 3, sl st between clovers.* Repeat from * to * around – 24 clovers completed.

Weave in ends and lightly block edging if necessary.

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