

Beth Knits All Day

Quick Booties for Tiny Toes

These booties are knit flat and seamed along the back and the bottom. The ribbed cuff insures a comfy fit for booties that stay on baby's feet. Ribbed cuffs can be knit longer and folded over. Directions are included for knitting the ribbed cuff in a second color.

Materials —

- Worsted weight yarn in 1 or 2 colors (Patons Classic Wool, Knit Picks Wool of the Andes, Ella Rae Classic, Cascade 220, etc)

30 gr/65 yds (35 gr/80 yds, 45 gr/100 yds)

Note: Aran weight yarns (*Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride, Hobby Lobby I Love This Yarn, Vanna's Choice, Bernat POP!, etc*) will produce a different gauge and will result in a larger bootie unless you adjust the needle size.

- US #7 (4.5 mm) needles (straight, circ, or DPNs)
- US #8 (5.0 mm) for binding off the ribbed cuff
- One stitch marker and one removable marker
- Tapestry yarn needle for weaving in ends

Gauge —

- 5 sts in garter = 1 inch

Size —

- To fit 0–3 mo/3" (3–6 mo/3.5", 6–9 mo/4")

Abbreviations —

CO: cast on

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together

Kf&b: knit into the front and the back of the stitch

RS: right side

SM: slip marker

st(s): stitch(es)

WS: wrong side



Directions (make 2)

CO 32 (36, 40) sts using main color and long tail CO. Knit one row (WS). Place the first marker after 16 (18, 20) sts to indicate the middle of the row. Place the removable marker to indicate this is the WS row.

Knit all rows until you have 6 (7, 8) garter ridges on the RS of the bootie.

To shape foot, begin decrease rows (DR) as follows:

DR 1 (WS): knit all sts

DR 2 (RS): Knit to 2 sts before center marker, k2tog, SM, k2tog, knit to end of row; 30 (34, 38) sts

DR 3, 5, 7: Knit all stitches.

DR 4: Repeat DR 2; 28 (32, 36) sts

DR 6: Repeat DR 2; 26 (30, 34) sts

DR 8, 9: Knit all stitches, removing marker on DR 8.

Ribbed cuff —

The ribbed cuff begins on a RS row. If adding a cuff in a different color, cut main color yarn. Leave about a 15" tail to sew bottom half of bootie.

Work ribbing as follows using main color or color #2:

*K1, P1, repeat from * across row.

For a single cuff, knit this row 12 (14, 14) times, ending with a WS row. For a fold over cuff, knit this row 22 (24, 24) times, ending with a WS row. On RS, bind off loosely in rib pattern using the #8 needle. Cut yarn. Leave about a 10" tail to sew top half of bootie if knitting in 2 colors, or a 24" tail if the cuff is knit in the same color as the foot.

Finishing —

Fold bootie in half, right sides together. Sew (whip stitch) with yarn to match the color you are seaming. Weave in ends. Turn right side out. Fold down cuff.

To block (if needed): stuff bootie with plastic bags, spray to dampen, shape the foot, and dry thoroughly.

