

SOCKS, SOCKS, SOCKS

Who – Lynette

What – Three, 2hr classes

When - _____, _____, _____.

Where – Mad About Ewe

Socks are that perfect knitting project. They are highly portable and are eminently gifable. Everyone needs and wears socks. Pop them into your bag when you are travelling or going to the doctor's office and you never need to be bored again! Just pull out your socks and you'll be amazed at how many new friends you have. You need to be able to knit proficiently and have a good understanding of basic knitting skills, some experience knitting with circular or double pointed needles would be handy but not necessary. Supplies for the class include 2 sets of double pointed needles 3.5 mm size, (if you are a loose knitter 3.25 mm would be better), wooden are recommended, and 3 balls of Perfect yarn. One ball could be a contrast colour if you like.

Techniques you will learn include circular knitting with double pointed needles, and the heel stitch, which includes short rowing and turning the heel. As well we will cover picking up stitches and the Kitchener or grafting stitch.

1st week

We will start our first sock. Casting on with doubled needle and knitting in the round and ribbing in the round follow. If you are feeling adventurous or comfortable try adding some colourwork to the leg of your sock. For homework you will need to have at least one sock knitted down to the heel for the next class. Both socks done would be better. That way you could turn both heels with help.

2nd week

Turn both heels on our socks and start the gusset shaping. This will include picking up stitches. For homework we should have both sock knitted down to the toe shaping for the next class.

3rd week

Shape the toe using traditional decreasing, k2tog, and SSK. After decreasing we will graft the remaining 16 toe stitches together using the grafting stitch. Voila! Our socks are complete.