

PIRATE BOOTIE!



I went a little nuts in anticipation of the arrival of my first great-niece. You don't even want to know how many little sweaters, hats, and booties I made. Baby stuff is so much fun. Here's the pattern for the matching set of Pirate Hat & Booties. Ahoy!

Size: 6-9 mos

Materials:

Yarn: Lion Brand Microspun (2.50 oz./70 g (168 yd/154 m) 100% micro-fiber acrylic)
1 skein Ebony, 1 skein Turquoise

Needles:

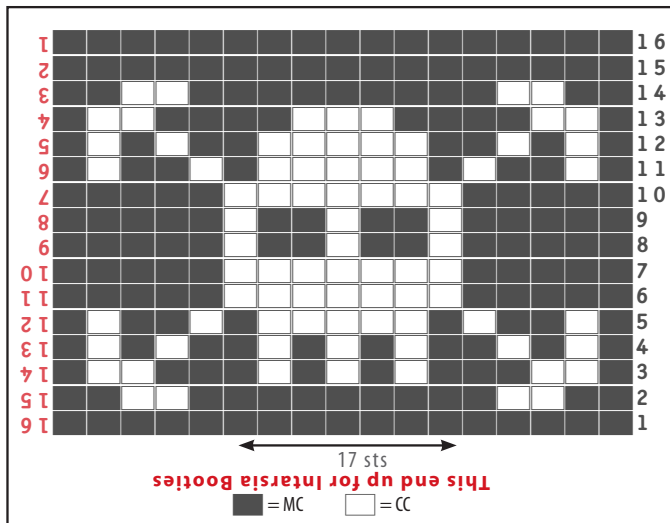
Hat: US 3 (3.25mm) double points, set of 4 or 5

Booties: US 3 (3.25mm) straight or circular needle, OR 2 needle point protectors: Put one on each of 2 double point needles to make a pair of nice short straight needles. (Booties are knitted flat.)

Tapestry needle

Gauge: 24 sts/32 rows = 4" in stockinette stitch

Note: Instructions are given for knitting the skulls in intarsia/fair isle or adding them later via the duplicate stitch. For the set shown, the booties are done in the duplicate stitch method; the hat in fair isle.



BOOTIE (Make 2)

Top:

Using CC and a Long Tail Cast On, CO 34.

Knit 2 rows.

Cut CC yarn. Attach MC.

Duplicate Stitch Version:

With MC, work 16 rows Stockinette St.

Intarsia Version:

NOTE: Be sure you have the chart turned upside down for the Booties.

K row 1 of chart, rep.

P Row 2 of chart, rep.

Cont working chart in Stockinette St.

Both Versions:

Cut MC yarn. Reattach CC. K 2 rows.

*Eyelet Row: *K2, YO, k2tog* rep across row, ending with k2.*

Purl 3 rows.

Instep:

K22. Turn. P10. Turn.

Work 12 rows Stockinette st over these 10 sts. Cut yarn.

With RS facing, reattach yarn. Pick up and knit 12 stitches along right side of instep, k10, pick up and knit 12 stitches along left side of instep, k12. 58 sts on needle.

P 1 row.

K 11 rows (Garter St.). Work the last 2 rows loosely, or work on larger needles (US 5).

Return to your usual tension or US 3 needles for the rest of the bootie.

Welt:

Rows 1 & 3 (WS): Knit.

Rows 2 & 4 (RS): Purl.

*Next Row: *With the right needle, pick up the top loop from the first st of last ridge of garter st, and pass it to the left needle. K2 tog (the picked up st counts as 1).* Rep across row. Cut CC yarn.*

Attach MC and knit 1 row.

Sole:

Set Up Row: (WS) K1, k2tog, k26, pm. knit to last 3 st, k2tog, k1.

Dec. Row: K to 2 st before marker, k2tog, sm, k1, k2tog, k to end of row.

Rep Dec. Row 4 times.

K to marker. 23 st on each needle. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Use this yarn to graft the 2 sides of the sole together and sew back of sole together.

Duplicate Stitch Version:

Use CC to work chart 2 times in Duplicate St on band of MC.

Both Versions:

Sew seam up back of bootie. Weave in ends.

CO 2 to DPN. Work a 24 inch I-cord. Thread through eyelets and tie into a bow.

HAT:

Band:

With CC, CO 85, divide stitches among 3 or 4 dp needles, join.

Rnds 1, 3, & 5: P

Rnds 2 & 4: K

Rnds 6, 7, & 8: K

Rnd 9: P

Join MC.

Patterned Band:

Duplicate Stitch Version:

Cut CC. With MC, K 16 rnds. Reattach CC.

Fair Isle Version:

K 16 rnds of chart. The chart will be repeated 5 times around hat.

Both Versions:

With CC,

K 1 rnd; P 1 rnd; K 1 rnd.

Cut CC.

Crown:

Attach MC. K 4 rnds.

Divide sts onto 4 DPNs as follows: Needle 1: K2tog, k 20. Needles 2, 3, & 4: K 21. (21 st on each needle)

*Set up Rnd: *K10, pm, k2tog, k9* Rep on each needle. (20 st on each needle)*

Next Rnd: K all sts.

Attach CC.

With CC:

*Dec Rnd: *K2tog, k to marker, sm, k2tog, k to end of needle.* Rep on each needle. (18 st on each needle)*

Next Rnd: P all sts.

With MC:

*Dec Rnd: *K2tog, k to marker, sm, k2tog, k to end of needle.* Rep on each needle. (16 st on each needle)*

Next Rnd: K all sts.

Rep last 2 rnds. (14 st on each needle.) Cut MC.

With CC:

*Dec Rnd: *k2tog, k to marker, sm, k2tog, k to end of needle.* Rep on each needle. (12 st on each needle)*

Next Rnd: P all sts.

Rep *Dec Rnd* only until 4 sts remain on each needle.

*Next Rnd: *K2tog, remove marker, K2tog* Rep on each needle.*

*Last Rnd: *K2tog* Rep on each needle.*

Cut yarn, thread through 4 remaining stitches and pull tight.

Weave in ends.

Duplicate Stitch Version:

Use CC to work chart 5 times in Duplicate St around first band of MC.

Abbreviations

**:	Rep instructions bet ** as directed.	K2tog: Knit 2 together
BO:	Bind Off	P: Purl
CC:	Contrast Color	PM: Place Marker
CO:	Cast On	Rep: Repeat
MC:	Main Color	Rnd: Round
Cont:	Continue	RS: Right Side
Dec:	Decrease	Sm: Slip Marker
DPN:	Double Point Needle	St: Stitch
K:	Knit	WS: Wrong Side
		YO: Yarn Over

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