



MANOS DEL URUGUAY

FREE PATTERN



UK VERSION

Aguayo Lace Socks

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Pattern uses **Manos Alegria** shown in **AL6524 Aguayo**

Other suggested Manos Alegria colours to choose from:



AL8717 Bataclana



AL9537 Atlantico



AL9862 Jacaranda



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SIZE

To fit foot length approx. 23cm (9in); leg length 12cm (4½in)

MATERIALS

Manos del Uruguay Alegria (75% superwash Merino/25% polyamide), 425m/445 yds per 100g, 1 x 100g hank
Shown in AL6524 Aguayo
1 set of 2.75mm (US #2) double-pointed needles (set of 4)
Stitch marker
Tapestry needle
Tape measure

TENSION

30 sts and 42 rows in a 10cm square (4in) square over stocking stitch using 2.75mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

K: Knit.

P: Purl.

St(s): Stitch(es).

Dpn(s): Double pointed needle(s).

K2tog: Knit 2 sts together.

P2tog: Purl 2 sts together.

Sk2po: Slip 1 stitch, knit next 2 sts together, pass slipped stitch over (to decrease 2 sts).

Skpo: Slip 1 stitch, knit next stitch, pass slipped stitch over the knitted stitch (to decrease 1 st).

Yf: Yarn forward (to make 1 st).

INSTRUCTIONS

Make both alike

Leg

Cast on 72 sts loosely.

Divide stitches over 3 dpns with 24 sts on each needle. Being careful not to twist sts, join in the round, placing stitch marker at beginning of the round. Slip marker at the end of every round.

Round 1: Knit.

Round 2: Purl.

Round 3: (K1, yf, k4, sk2po, k4, yf) 6 times.

Round 4: Knit.

Repeat Rounds 3 and 4 until leg measures 12cm (4½in) from the cast-on edge, ending after a Round 3.

Heel

Continue working backwards and forwards in rows on 2 dpns only as follows:

Row 1: K30, turn.

Row 2: Sl1, p34, turn.

Continue on these 35 sts only, leaving remaining 37 sts on one separate needle for gusset/instep (these 37 sts will only be worked when the heel flap and turn are complete).

Row 3: Sl1, k34, turn.

Repeat Rows 2 & 3 a further 14 times.

Turn Heel

Row 1 (WS): Sl1, p21, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 2: Sl1, k10, skpo, k1, turn.

Row 3: Sl1, p11, p2tog, p1, turn.

Row 4: Sl1, k12, skpo, k1, turn.

Continue in this way, working one extra stitch after the beginning Sl1 on each row, until there are no sts left to decrease, ending after a purl (WS) row.

Gusset/Instep

K22, with same needle, pick up and knit 16 sts down left side of heel flap, then with separate needle, knit 37 sts of gusset/instep, then with 3rd needle, pick up and knit 17 sts along right side of heel flap, then knit 11 sts from first needle.

Reposition marker to denote beginning of round. Note that you will now have sts arranged as follows: Needle 1: 27 sts; Needle 2: 37 sts; Needle 3: 28 sts - total 92 sts.

Continue in rounds for gusset/instep as follows:

Round 1: (1st needle) knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 (26 sts), (2nd needle) k2tog, (k4, yf, k1, yf, k4, sk2po) twice, k4, yf, k1, yf, k4, skpo (37 sts), (3rd needle) k1, skpo, k to end (27 sts).

Round 2: Knit across all needles.

Repeat these 2 rounds until 72 sts remain (or for a narrower foot, decrease more times as required).

Continue straight in pattern as set, until foot measures 18cm (7in) (or to length required, leaving 5cm (2in) for toe). Slip first st of 2nd needle to top of 1st needle so that your stitches are arranged as follows: Needle 1: 18 sts; Needle 2: 36 sts; Needle 3: 18 sts - total 72 sts.

Continue in stocking stitch as follows:

Shape Toe

Round 1: (1st needle) knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1, (2nd needle) k1, skpo, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1, (3rd needle) k1, skpo, k to end – 4 sts decreased.

Round 2: Knit across all needles.

Repeat these 2 rounds until 32 sts remain (16 sts per needle). Graft stitches together using Kitchener Stitch, or cast off stitches together, using a 3-needle cast off.

