SA GLITZ AND BEADS SOCKS

The sparkle of metallic thread and shiny beads in Glitz and Beads Socks is sure to make your feet happy and feel like dancing.

The beaded pattern echos the rhythmic sound waves of pulsing music to which we can imagine ourselves tapping in musical cadence.

And there are plenty of features in these socks to make your feet and knitting needles sing!

Note the nice attention to design details at cuff, ankle and instep where the ribbing flows into and out of the wavelike beaded pattern.

"Keyboard" ribbing at cuff and ankle provides a firm, yet flexible fit.

The heel flap flows from the ankle ribbing in a slipped stitch design that gives extra cushion and durability.

Left and right swirl toes fit well on your feet and are easy to make, too (no grafting!).



These socks feature Kreinik Metallic Fashion Twist machine embroidery thread made of 100% polyester with a laminate of silver.

This thread is a perfect complement to socks because it is anti-microbial, making it resistant to fungus. Most metallics can tend to be stiff and scratchy, but this one is absolutely not.

Along with the softness, there is just enough body in the thread to add firmness to the knitted stitches, thereby supporting the weight of the glass beads with ease.

Skill Level Advanced beginner. Pattern stitches are provided in both charted format and written line-by-line instructions.

Sizing

Instructions for size Adult Small are followed by Medium and Large in (,) parentheses. If nothing is given in parentheses, the instruction applies to all sizes. Planned finished measurements are —

Sock foot circumference: $7\frac{1}{2}$ ($8\frac{1}{4}$, 9)"; choose the size that gives you a moderately snug fit

Edge of cuff to top of heel flap: 6 (6½, 7)" Sock foot length: 9 (10, 11)"

Consider more yarn if making adjustments to planned sizes.

Gauge

31 stitches per 4 inches over stockinette stitch with yarn and thread held together and knitted as one.

Materials and Supplies

265 (300, 375) yards each of fingering weight yarn and metallic sewing machine embroidery thread or other very fine carry-along thread

Note: yarn and thread are held together and worked as one throughout the sock

Size 1 us / 2.25 mm knitting needles, or size needed to obtain planned gauge; your choice of double point or circular needle(s)

760 (868, 976) size 8/0 (3 mm diameter) glass seed beads, approximately 20 (22.5, 25) g Bead stringing needle

Pictured in size medium made with —
Lorna's Laces Shepherd Sock yarn color 3ns Grapevine;
Kreinik Fashion Twist color 1160 Fuchsia;
Miyuki beads 8-356 Purple-lined Amethyst AB

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