

Cross- Country Socks

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The **Cross-Country pattern** is an easy cable pattern that emerges out of its own when knitted up. If you are familiar with cabling you easily will work without using the chart.

Help for cabling without a cable needle can be found here:

<http://strickpraxis.wordpress.com/zopfe-stricken-ohne-hilfsnadel-ein-bilderkurs/>



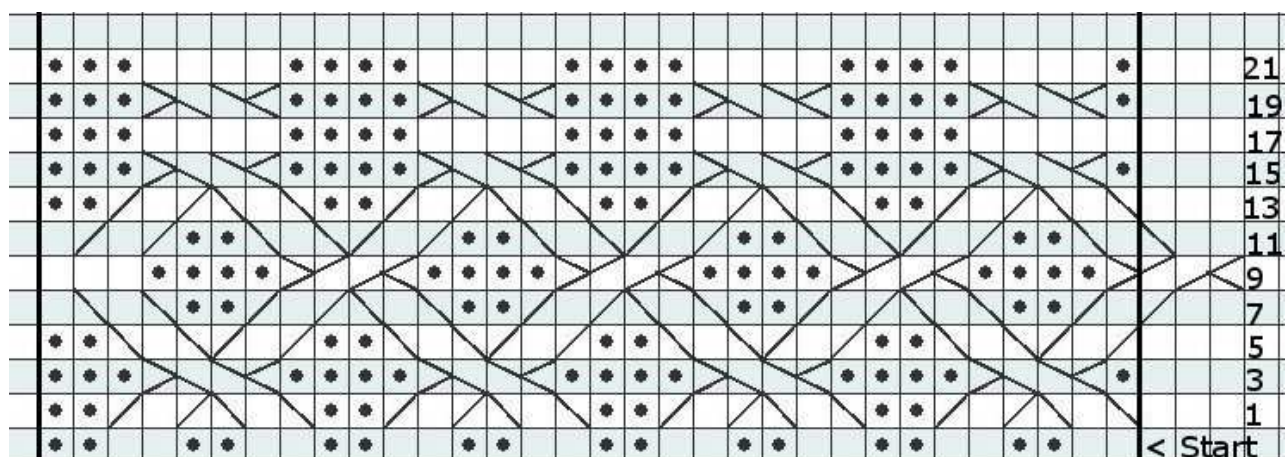
Size

European 38-40, UK 5-7, US 7-9

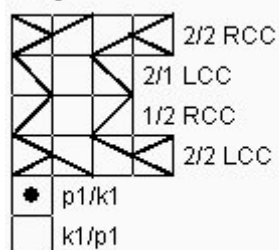
Material

4ply Sockyarn merino/cashmere from „The Knittery“, Australia
105g 420m. Every slightly thicker sockyarn e.g. Jitterbug from Colinette
can be used.

Set of 5 double pointed needles 2.5mm or 2.75mm



Key



| Chart Legend | | |
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| | 2/2 RCC | slip 2st onto a cable needle and hold it back of the knitting, knit the next 2st, then knit the 2st from the cable needle. |
| | 2/2 LCC | slip 2st onto a cable needle and hold it in front of the knitting, knit the next 2st, then knit the 2st from the cable needle. |
| | 1/2 RCC | slip 1st onto a cable needle and hold it back of the knitting, knit the next 2st, then knit the st from the cable needle. |
| | 2/1 LCC | slip 1st onto a cable needle and hold it in front of the knitting, knit the next 2st, then knit the 2st from the cable needle. |
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Pattern

Cast on 64st and close to the round. Be careful not to twist the cast on edge. Continue for 5 rounds with 2k/2p ribbing.

Continue working the pattern according to the chart until you reach the desired length.

Please note: in the chart only the pattern rows are shown. Knit stitches as they appear in every second row.

As the cable crosses are moving it will be necessary to move stitches from one needle to the other. These stitches can stay put where they are. Stitches will be re-arranged for the heel as follows: 32 stitches for the instep on needles #1 and #4 show 4 cables. The first two stitches of needle #2 and the last two stitches of needle #3 are purl stitches.

The heel is worked over 32 stitches on needles #1 and #4. You can work your favourite heel here. The picture shows the “Hybrid Heel” worked over 10 rows heelflap and double wrap& turns in short rows.

After the heel and possible gusset decreases, depending which type of heel was made, there are 16 stitches per needle again. Continue to work in rounds. Needles #2 and #3 are the instep needles and are worked according to the chart. Needles #1 and #4 are the sole needles and knit only.

When the desired length is reached continue the decrease for the toe until there are 10 stitches left. Close these stitches with kitchener stitch.



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Cross-Country Socks at Ravelry: <http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/cross-country-socks>

<http://strickpraxis.wordpress.com/>