Socks Latvian Blooms





Materials: approx. 50 g [1.8 oz] lilac and approx. 30 g [1,0 oz] in reds, 20g [0,8 oz] in violet, 10g [0,4 oz] in orange (sock yarn by Atelier Zitron Trekking XXL (order # 2010, yardage 420 m/100g [460 yds/3.5 oz]); DPN set 2.25 [US1.0] and 2.5 mm [US1.5].

Size: German 38–43 [US7.0–9.0] This design uses 72 sts over stranded knitting. This works out to about 7 1/2 inches circumference of the relaxed, unstretched sock. This could be amended by working to a different gauge by changing the needle size if needed.

Gauge per 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 in] in colorwork pattern: 35 sts x 38 rows.

Instructions

Cuff and Leg: With the smaller needle and violet color, using your favourite cast-on method, cast on 72 sts and close

to a round, taking care not to twist the cast-on.

Divide the sts as follows: 18-18-18. Continue from **Leg Chart**, working rounds 1–71. Change to the larger needles in the 9.round.

Attention! From round 65 to the heel, the pattern of Needle 1 + 3, as well as 2 + 4 is no longer identical, so that the pattern spreads beautifully around the heel!

Heel flap:

Worked over 36 sts from Needle 4 to Needle 1. Switch back to the smaller needles.

Row 1 (WS) slip1, p lilac to end, turn. Row 2 (RS) *k1 violet, k1 lilac, rep from *, turn. Row 3 (WS) *p1 lilac, p1 violet, rep from *, turn. Repeat Row 2 and 3. Work 34 rows, ending with a WS row.

Heel turn:

Row 1 (RS): k21, k2tog lilac, k1 violet, turn.

Row 2 (WS): slip1, p7, p2tog violet, p1 lilac, turn.

Row 3: slip1, k to 1 st before the gap, k2tog, k1, turn.

Row 4: slip1, p to 1 st before the gap, p2tog, p1, turn.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until all sts are used up. In the last two rounds, knit the remaining two sts together at the end = 22 sts remain.

Gusset: From both side edges of the heel flap, pick up and knit 18 sts ea and working with the larger needles rounds 71-118 from **Gusset and Foot Chart.** After the decreases for the gusset =72 sts in total; 18 sts on each needle.

Attention! From the heel to the round 89, the pattern of needle 1 + 3, and 2 + 4 is no longer identical, so that the pattern spreads beautifully around the heel!

For the size 38-40 can now be continued with the toe, for the size 42-43 can be added again Round 19-27 (or a part of it).

Toe:

Switch back to the smaller needles, work with lilac and violet.

Round 1: k violet

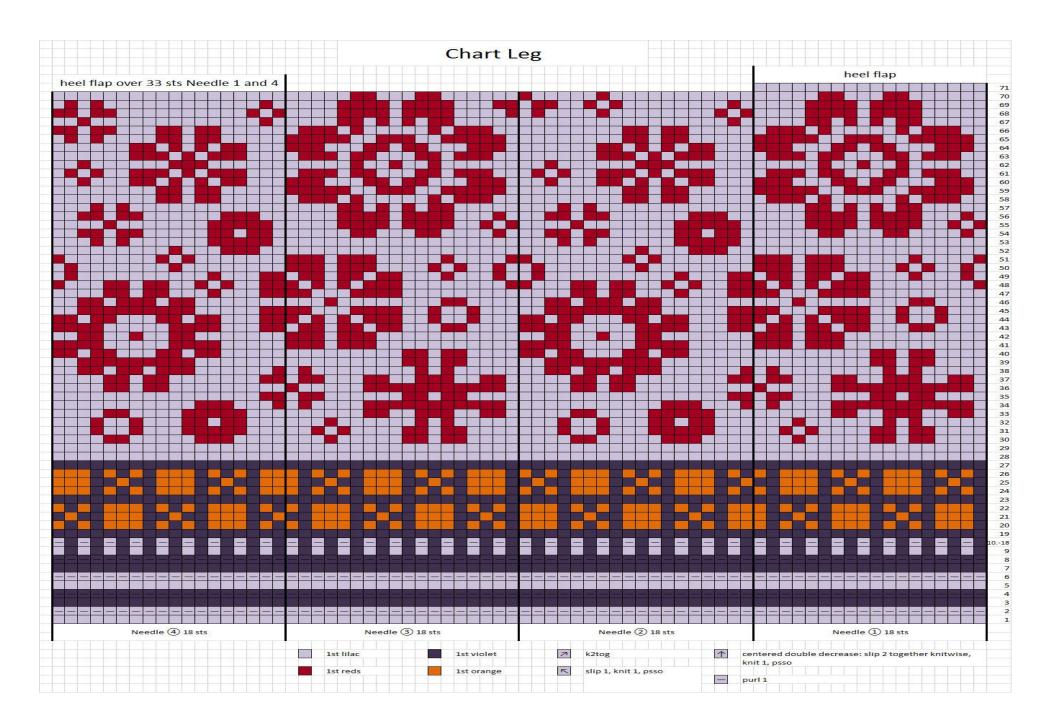
Round 2: *k1 violet, k1 lilac, rep from *

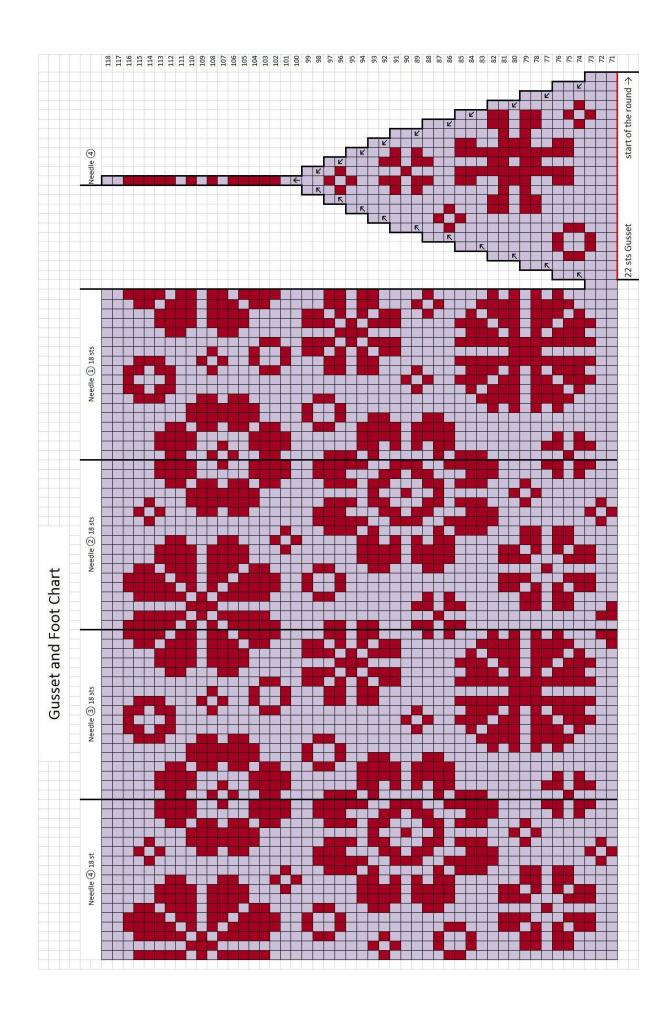
Round 3: k16, k2tog violet, of needle 1; needle 2, k1, k2tog violet, k to end. (*k1 violet, k1 lilac, rep from *)

Round 4: knit all sts in the color of round 3.

Keep working Round 3 and 4 until you have a total of 36 sts, 9 on each needle. From here on, continue decreases in every round, until only 8 sts (2 on each needle) remain in all. Thread yarn held double through these remaining sts and cinch, then carefully hide ends.

Work the second sock the same way.





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