Pom-Pom Baby Booties - knit with Merino Stripes

Designed & Knit for Crystal Palace Yarns by Betsy McCall

Finished Measurements

4" (10.5cm) from toe to heel, 4 ½" (12cm) from middle of sole to top of cuff

Materials

1 - 50 gr ball <u>Crystal Palace Yarn Merino</u> <u>Stripes</u> #60 "Grand Canyon"

1 set 6" CPY Bamboo Double Pointed Needles US size #4 (3.5mm)

Tapestry needle, scissors

[Note: because of the self-striping, long change of colors in Merino Stripes the booties will not be identical in color arrangement.]



5sts=1" in St st

Directions

Cuff

CO 28 sts. Put 9 sts on first needle, 10 on the second, and the remaining 9 on the third. Work 20 rounds in K1, P1 ribbing.

Top of the foot

K19. The third needle will have 9 sts (don't work those sts now). Turn and purl back across 10 sts. Work just this needle in St st until there are 14 rows, ending with a P row.

K1, K2 tog, work to end. P1, P2 tog, work to end. Repeat between *s. (6 sts rem) K 1 more row.



Pick up and K8 sts from left side of foot.

K9 from the cuff (this section is now the heel).

P9 from next needle.

Pick up P8 sts from right side of foot.

P6 sts across the toe and then P back to the heel. (40 sts)

Rearrange sts on ndls so they are evenly distributed on either sides of the toe.

K1 round, P1 round for 8 rounds (4 garter ridges).

Sole

Round 1: K20, pm, K20

Round 2, 4: K2tog, K to 2sts before the marker, K2tog. Pass marker, SSK, K to 2sts before the end of the round, SSK, K2.

Round 3, 5, 6: K

Round 7: K20 (to marker). Break yarn leaving 12" tail. Graft sts.

Make two alike.

Embellish

Add a pom-pom to each toe.. To make the best pom-poms, wrap the yarn around your hand 175 times. Slide the yarn off your hand and tie tightly around the midsection of those loops. Cut the ends of the loops and trim until the pom-pom is about 2" across. This uses a lot of yarn, but the resulting pom-pom will be dense and durable.



Below shows the bottom of the right hand bootie

