

Super Simple Slipper Socks

These Slipper Socks are super easy to make. They only use single crochet (sc), simple chains (ch), increments (inc - 2sc in same stitch) and decrements (sc2tog).

The front of the Slipper Sock is crocheted in the round, and the back is just simple rows that give a lovely textured appearance.

Thick soft yarn is best, makes up quickly and the single crochet stitch means the Slipper Sock remains nice and firm.

By keeping the Slipper Sock symmetrical it doesn't matter which slipper goes on which foot, a bonus in the dark or when tired or half asleep!

Requirements

Yarn - soft and thick [I used a 9W.P.I. acrylic yarn]
Crochet hook to suit yarn [3.5mm crochet hook]

Instructions

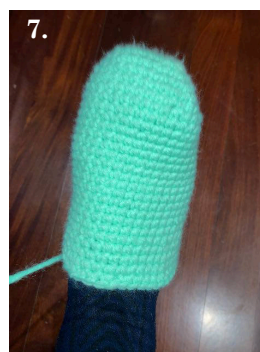
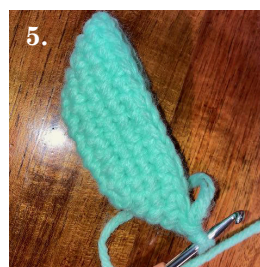
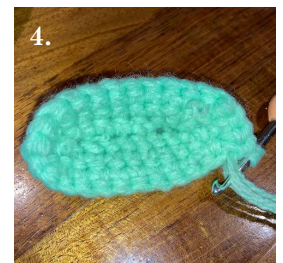
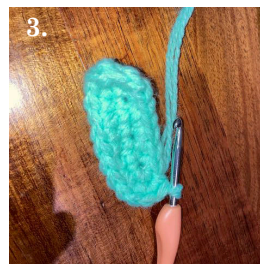
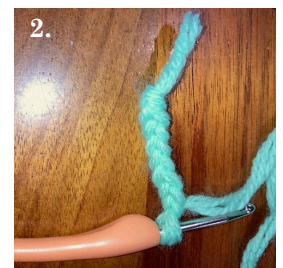
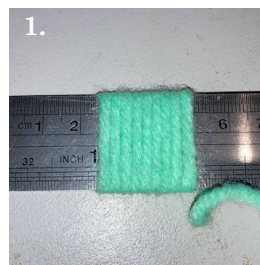
Row 1: Start with a short, loose 7 ch (fig. 2);

In the round: 2 sc (inc) in 2nd ch from hook; 1 sc in back loop of next 5 ch; 4 sc (inc) in end ch; turn and sc in other loop of ch; 2 sc (inc) in last ch. (fig. 3)

Continue sc in the round - inc at each end with 2 inc in each of 2 sc from pervious row; continue to gradually increment **at both ends only** until the desired width to suit your foot is achieved. (fig 4-6)

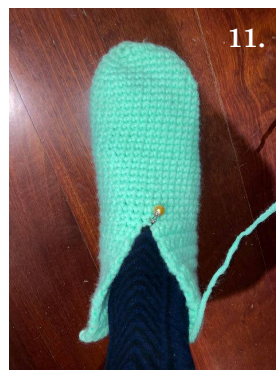
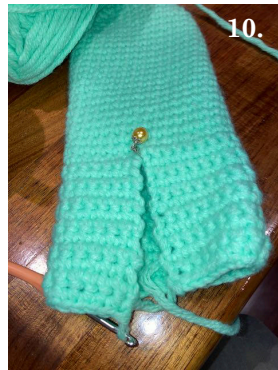
Continue with sc, frequently checking for comfort and fit on your foot. If too tight, rip a few rows and increment one sc only at each end/side. If too loose rip and take a few increments out. By making or removing any subsequent increments in one stitch only on each side any change will be gradual and give a better finish.

Once the length of the Slipper Sock reaches the top of your foot where you want the opening to start, (fig. 7) flatten the work, decide which side should be top or bottom, and place a stitch marker in the middle of the "top" side. (Fig. 8)



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Continue sc up to the stitch marker, ch 1 and turn. sc all the way back to the stitch marker, ch 1 and turn. (Fig. 9) Continue in this fashion until your sides reach your heel. (Fig. 10-12)



Lie the work flat again and measure to the center, then place stitch markers 3 stitches either side of the center leaving 4 clear stitches between markers. (Fig. 13) sc along the row until you reach the first stitch marker and stitch the next two sc together (sc2tog - insert hook in first stitch, yarn over and pull through one loop, keep it on your hook; insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull through, then yarn over and pull through both loops). sc for the next two stitches, then sc2tog at the second stitch marker, sc to the end of the row, ch 1 and turn.

On the next row sc to the first sc2tog from the previous row. sc2tog twice (should be in the middle of the previous row). sc to the end, ch 1 and turn. On the last row sc to the middle and sc2tog once at the middle, sc to the end.

Make sure the fit is good, then either sew the ends together or crochet the middle seam. Crochet on the inside of the Slipper Sock (Fig. 15) makes a neat seam on the front (Fig. 14). Pass the crochet hook through the back loop only of each side, pull the yarn through both loops, yarn over and pull through. This will form your heel

To finish off the Slipper Sock, run a row of single crochet around the top of the opening.

Optional Extras:

Run additional rows of single crochet along the top opening for extra length and ankle warmth:

- Continue in the round for a “boot” style, or
- Stop and turn at the middle top stitch marker for a fold over cuff.

If your finished slipper sock feel slippery walking, consider using puffy paint or similar dots on the soles for added grip.

