These socks were knit for my husband’s wide and short feet, a size 7½ wide. I originally used Lion Brand Woolease yarn, but the socks developed holes rather quickly, so I now use sturdier light worsted (or DK weight) yarn.

**Materials**

**Yarn:** Approx 380 yards smooth light worsted weight yarn. Sample knit with Lion Brand Woolease 3 oz/85g (197 yd/180m), Denim Twist color: 2 skeins.

**Needles:** Size 4 US double point needles, set of 4 or size needed to obtain gauge

**Notions:**
Yarn needle

**Gauge:** 24 sts = 4” / 10 cm

**Size:** Men’s wide width - small length

**Finished Measurements:**
Length: about 9¼” foot, heel to toe

**Directions**

**Cuff:** Loosely cast on 48 sts and divide evenly onto three needles. Work K2, P2 rib for about 8”, about 56 rounds, or until desired leg length.

**Heel:** K 12 sts, place remaining sts on instep needle, turn.
Sl 1, P23, place remaining sts with instep sts, turn.
Divide 24 instep sts onto two needles, these sts will be on hold while working heel.
Sl 1, K1, to end
Sl 1, purl to end
Repeat last two rows 13 times more, for a total of 14 large slip stitch “V”s for the heel. Heel flap is approx 3” long.
**Turn**

**Heel:**
- Sl 1, K13, ssk, K1, turn (7 sts left)
- Sl 1, P5, P2tog, P1, turn (7 sts left)
- Sl 1, K6, ssk, K1, turn (5 sts left)
- Sl 1, P7, P2tog, P1, turn (5 sts left)
- Sl 1, K8, ssk, K1, turn (3 sts left)
- Sl 1, P9, P2tog, P1, turn (3 sts left)
- Sl 1, K10, ssk, K1, turn (1 st left)
- Sl 1, P11, P2tog, P1, turn (1 st left)
- Sl 1, K12, ssk, turn (0 st left)
- Sl 1, P12, P2tog, (0 st left)
- 14 heel sts left on needle

**Gusset:**
- Pick up 16 sts on side of heel flap (needle 1)
- Knit across instep sts, placing all 24 on one needle (needle 2)
- Pick up 16 sts on side of heel, and also knit 7 sts from heel (needle 3) (middle of heel is beginning of round) (70 sts total)
- Knit two rounds even
- Decrease Round: Needle 1: K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1
  - Needle 2: Knit across
  - Needle 3: K1, ssk, K to end
- Knit two more rounds even
- Do decrease round
- Knit one round even
- Do decrease round
- Continue to knit one round even, then do decrease round, until 13 gusset sts remain on each side, 50 sts total remain now (2 more than on leg).

**Foot:**
- Knit 18 rounds even, or until about 7” long.
- Knit to end of needle 1

**Toe:**
- First rearrange sts so that the top and bottom halves of foot have equal amounts of stitches: needle 1-13 sts, needle 2-25 sts, needle 3-12 sts
- Needle 2: K1, ssk, K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1
- Needle 3: K1, ssk, K to end of needle
- Needle 1: K to last 3 sts, K2tog, K1
- Knit one round even.
- Repeat decrease round every other round until 22 sts left.
- Then immediately do one more decrease round, 18 sts left.

**Finishing:**
- Kitchener stitch remaining 9 top sts to 9 bottom sts to finish.
- Weave in ends.

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