

## Directions for Christmas Stocking with lining

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### Knitting Directions

#### Ribbing

Cast on 62 stitches with paddy green.

k1, p1 across for 6 rows

#### Stocking Top Pattern

Knit in stockinette stitch for the length of the "stocking top" pattern (below) with the first row being a knit row. When you are looking at the pattern, know that only the center 30 stitches will appear on the front of the stocking, the sides of the stocking will wrap around and will be seamed on the center back.



*Figure 1: Stocking Top Pattern*

**Remember you are knitting your pattern rows from the top down. Remember to turn your pattern upside-down.**

Of course, you want to add your name instead of mine to the top of the stocking either by knitting it in or using duplicate stitch or embroidery.

If you want to modify the pattern, for instance to add your name, or use the Grid Designer to print the pattern, see the following section.

## Modify the Pattern

If you would like to use the Grid Designer to modify the pattern, for instance to edit in your own name, or change the design, watch this YouTube video [Modify Stocking Pattern video](#) or follow these steps:

1. Click [here](#) to open the shared project "stocking top".
2. Click the "Load project" link at the bottom of the page that is displayed.
3. The Grid Designer will open in your browser and ask you if you want to load the project. The Grid Designer is free and requires no login. Click the Load button.
4. The project will load your own private copy of the pattern. Make any changes you would like with the editor. See the [overview playlist](#) for information on how to edit.
5. You can print it with Project -> Print.
6. If you want to change the display grid, add numbering, etc. use the options under the Display menu. Also see the [Print and Download](#) YouTube video showing all the ways you can print and download a graph from the Grid Designer.

## Heel

This section is used both for knitting the heel and knitting the toe.

With paddy green:

Row 1 – sl1, k30, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 2 – sl1, p29, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 3 – sl1, k28, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 4 – sl1, p27, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 5 – sl1, k26, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 6 – sl1, p25, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 7 – sl1, k24, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 8 – sl1, p23, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 9 – sl1, k22, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 10 – sl1, p21, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 11 – sl1, k20, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 12 – sl1, p19, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 13 – sl1, k18, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 14 – sl1, p17, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 15 – sl1, k16, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 16 – sl1, p15, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 17 – sl1, k14, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 18 – sl1, p13, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 19 – sl1, k12, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 20 – sl1, p12, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 21 – sl1, k13, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 22 – sl1, p14, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 23 – sl1, k15, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 24 – sl1, p16, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 25 – sl1, k17, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 26 – sl1, p18, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 27 – sl1, k19, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 28 – sl1, p20, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 29 – sl1, k21, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 30 – sl1, p22, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 31 – sl1, k23, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 32 – sl1, p24, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 33 – sl1, k25, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 34 – sl1, p26, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 35 – sl1, k27, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 36 – sl1, p28, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

Row 37 – sl1, k29, YTF, sl1, YTB, turn

Row 38 – sl1, p30, YTB, sl1, YTF, turn

### Stocking Bottom Pattern

Knit in stockinette stitch for the length of the “stocking bottom” pattern for the foot (below), with the first row being a knit row.



*Figure 2: Stocking Bottom Pattern*

**Remember that you are knitting the pattern from the top down, turn the pattern upside down to follow it.**

*If you would like to modify the pattern using the Grid Designer, you can load it in the Grid Designer by clicking this [link](#) and doing the same steps as for the “stocking top” pattern in this [section](#).*

*See also the [Modify Stocking Pattern video](#) to see what you can change.*

Toe



The toe is knitted in exactly the same way as the heel. The top of the toe is then stitched to the top of the foot.

To knit the toe, follow exactly the same instructions used for the heel in the [Heel](#) section above.

After Row 38, knit and cast off all 62 stitches, leaving a tail long enough to stitch the top of the toe to the foot. Your toe should now look like the toe in the picture.

Half of the cast-off stitches will make the end of the foot section; the other half will make the top of the toe. These two sections now need to be stitched together to make a seam across the top of the toe/foot.

### Toe Seam



Stitch this seam by weaving the knitting together as in this YouTube video: [Shoulder Seam – Bind off Edge Knit Seam](#).

As you stitch, the cast-off edges will turn under and the toe and foot will look like they were knitted all-together.

### Add Decorations/Embroidery



At this point, if you are planning on adding any duplicate stitching, embroidery or other embellishments (beads, ribbons, etc) to the stocking, now is the time to do that, before stitching up the back seam. For my stocking, I did the following:

In each holly motif I created 3 French knots. I wanted these to be fairly large so I wrapped the yarn 3-times around the needle. Here is a [youtube video showing how to create a french knot over knitting](#).

In each tree motif I created 3 French knots. I wanted these to be very flat so I wrapped the yarn only once around the needle.

In the white spaces surrounded by green, I added some gold beads I found at Michael's. They are 6mm beads by Hildie and Joe. I attached them with nylon thread and only put

them on the front, as I did not want the thread to prevent the stocking from stretching width-wise.

### Weave in Ends

Even if you add the lining described below, you will still need to weave in ends to make sure that nothing comes loose. Weave in any ends you need to at this time.

Here are some videos on weaving in tails for reference.

- [Reverse Duplicate Stitch // Technique Tuesday](#) by Roxanne Richardson
- [Knitting Help – Weaving in Ends](#) by VeryPink Knits

### Sew Back Seam

Once all decoration or embroidery is done, stitch up the back seam. The stocking is knit so that there is a full stitch on each side that can be enclosed in the seam. You can do either the half-stitch or full-stitch weave to sew the seam. See this video if you are new to stitching seams: [Sweater Finishing: Perfect Sweater Seams](#). Weave in the ends of the yarn you are stitching with.

### Add Hanging Loop



Create 3-stitch I cord that is 30 rows or so long ([Here is a YouTube video showing how to make a 3-stitch I-cord](#) with circular needles. [Here is a YouTube video showing how to make I-cord with straight needles](#)). Since I also crochet, I sometimes make a simple loop made from chaining, this will work also for the loop.

Knit and cast off the last row leaving a tail long enough to use to stitch the loop to the stocking.

Fold the I-cord to make a loop and sew the bottom edges inside the top left edge of the stocking just below the ribbing.



## Lining Instructions (optional)

I personally like to add a lining to knitted stockings, especially if they are intended to be really used to hold small presents on Christmas Eve. Linings are particularly good in stockings made for children, as the presents can't get caught on any of the knitting floats on the back side of the stocking.

Here are my directions for making the lining. I have placed these into a separate page that I can reference for all my stockings in the future.

To create the lining [follow the instructions here](#).