

## BASIC CHRISTMAS STOCKING: Big Wool Version Instructions for regauging and adding a fluffy cuff to your Churchmouse At Home 'Basic Christmas Stocking' pattern.

**Finished Size:** Approx. 8"/20cm across; 28"/71cm total length.

Yarn: 3 skeins Rowan Big Wool (87 yds/80m each): 1 skein <u>each</u> of Colors A and B for striped leg

and foot, and 1 skein of Color C for Heel & Toe. 2 skeins Sirdar *Alpine* (36 yds/33m each) for cuff.

Cuff: Approx. 72 yds/66m of an equivalent bulky-weight fur yarn.

*Leg & Foot*: Approx. 174 yds/160m of an equivalent super chunky-weight yarn. *Heel & Toe*: Approx. 45 yds/114m of an equivalent super chunky-weight yarn.

Needles & Notions:

US 11 (8mm) 16"/40cm circular needle and set of 5 double-point needles, or size to obtain gauge.

US 13 (9mm) 16"/40cm circular needle for furry cuff.

Gauge: Approx. 12 sts/16 rounds = 4"/10cm, in stockinette stitch in the round, using Big Wool.

## Please refer to the original pattern for complete instructions. Only changes are covered in this adaptation.

We discovered that if you use the stitch counts for the Wee version of our 'Basic Christmas Stocking' using a biiiig yarn, it will turn out the size of the Jolly Big stocking! To keep it in proportion, we used the length measurements for the Jolly Big stocking.

Cuff: With <u>larger needles</u> and cuff yarn, using cable cast-on method, cast on 48 sts. Do not join.

Continue working as directed in original pattern following lengths given for Jolly Big size.

**Leg:** Change to gauge needle and Color A of leg yarn; work 5 rounds in stockinette stitch.

Join Color B of leg yarn and work 5 rounds in stockinette stitch.

Continue working five-round stripes until leg measures approx. 16"/41cm, ending with

complete stripe.

<u>To insert your heel into five-round stripes</u>: *Note: Heel is inserted in middle of one stripe color.* Work 2 rounds of leg color that heel will be inserted in and begin heel placement round (see next page); cut previous leg color, leaving a 8"/20cm tail to weave in later. Complete heel

placement round and next 2 rounds with same leg color.

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Placement for 'afterthought' heel: Work heel placement round as directed in original pattern following <u>stitch counts</u> given for <u>Wee</u> size. See instructions on previous page for managing heel placement round with a stripe.

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**Foot:** Rejoin next color in striping sequence, leaving 8"/20cm tail to weave in and continue working five-round stripes until foot measures 8"/20cm from heel placement round ending

with complete stripe.

**Toe:** Change to toe color and work as directed in original pattern following <u>stitch counts</u> given

for Wee size.

'Afterthought' heel: With toe color, work as directed in original pattern following stitch counts given for Wee size.

Finishing: I-cord hanger: With Color A of leg yarn and double-point needle, pick up and knit 4 sts

from first round of leg at inside of center back. Work I-cord as directed in original pattern

until it measures approx 6"/15cm long. Finish as directed in original pattern.