

New Socks on My Feet

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Pattern: Basic toe-up socks

Yarn: Lang Yarns Jawoll Color Akiton

Size: 60 stitches around

Yardage: about 80% of the skein (~335m or 367 ids)

Needles: 2.00 mm

I'm wearing new socks today. These socks were complete, except for a couple of ends that needed to be woven in, way back in June. I was working on them when we were in BC but hadn't seen them since I'd unpacked. I was sure they were somewhere in my sewing room. I found them in a bin yesterday after Ollie and Fred chased *The Best Cat Toy Ever** under our bed and I was poking around to see if I could find any signs of it.

This is the first time I've ever used self patterning sock yarn. Somehow when I was first learning to knit I'd got the impression that you had to use a very specific stitch count and have the perfect gauge for this yarn to work out. I think I was misled. Different stitch counts and gauges will certainly give you a different finished product but I don't see how anything you end up with could be bad. Every time I look at my feet today I smile. Simple, simple knitting - fancy socks. Maybe it's because this yarn tends to look a bit weird and muddy in the ball but I never expected the resulting socks to be so neat. I want to try more.

I didn't bother to match the socks up perfectly. It's not hard to do (you just start with the same spot in the pattern for both socks) but I kind of liked the idea of mismatched-matching socks. And I was lazy.

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~~With my new nightgown and fitted sheets, I can't be the person who has to go to bed with a cold. My new nightgown~~