Men's waffle boot socks

US men's 9 to 10½ (EU 42 to 44), foot 10¼ to 10¾ in (26 to 27.5 cm) · US terms



Finished size

The foot is about 9½ in (24 cm) long from the back of the heel to the toe and 9¼ in (23.5 cm) round (39 stitches); the leg is about 8¾ in (22 cm) long from the fold of the cuff to the heel and 11¼ in (28.5 cm) round (48 stitches), and the cuff is about 3½ in (9 cm) deep

Skill

Intermediate

Yarn

Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

17 stitches and 19 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: oatmeal, the cuff, the leg and the foot	**about 430 yd (393 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: charcoal, the heel and the toe	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: red, the two stripes of the cuff	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 260 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a hook 1 mm larger (5 mm, US H-8) for the foundation ch, a tape measure, a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
US men's 7 to 8½ (EU 40 to 42), foot 9½ to 10¼ in (24 to 26 cm)	9½ in (24 cm) long, 8½ in (21.5 cm) round	about 500 yd (457 m)
US men's 9 to 10½ (EU 42 to 44), foot 10¼ to 10¾ in (26 to 27.5 cm) (this file)	**9½ in (24 cm) long, 9¼ in (23.5 cm) round**	**about 525 yd (480 m)**
US men's 11 to 12½ (EU 44 to 46), foot 10¾ to 11½ in (27.5 to 29 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm) long, 9¼ in (23.5 cm) round	about 565 yd (517 m)

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US men's 13 to 14 (EU 47 to 48), foot 11½ to 12 in (29 to 30.5 cm)	11 in (28 cm) long, 10 in (25.5 cm) round	about 620 yd (567 m)

Gauge

17 stitches and 19 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

In the waffle: 17 stitches and 10½ rounds to 4 in (10 cm). A single round of double crochet is about 3/8 in (1 cm) high. After Rnd 20 of the leg, lay the leg flat and measure across the waffle: about 5¾ in (14.5 cm).

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Notes

- Measure the foot from the back of the heel to the tip of the longest toe and take the size whose range holds that length, or the size whose shoe sizes are yours. Where a measure lies on the line between two sizes, or between two of them, take the larger. The sock is worked up to 1¼ in (3 cm) shorter than the foot and stretches to it.
- Work one whole sock, every part in the order it is printed, then the second sock in the same way. Every part is worked once for each sock, onto the part before it; nothing is worked apart and sewn on. The order is leg, heel, foot. The heel is a short-row heel: its rows grow shorter and then longer again.
- The rounds of the cuff are joined and not turned: the ch at the start of a round does not count as a stitch, the first stitch goes into the stitch at the foot of that ch, the one that holds the joining sl st (a post stitch goes round its post; in Rnd 1, into the first ch of the ring), and the sl st that closes the round goes into the top of its first stitch.
- From the first round of the leg on every round is joined and then turned; only Rnd 1 of the foot begins without a turn. The ch at the start of a round never counts as a stitch. After the turn the first stitch goes into the last stitch of the round before, and the last stitch goes into the first stitch of the round before, the one that holds the joining sl st. Do not work into the sl st or into the starting ch. A post stitch goes round the post of the same stitch that a plain stitch would go into; where that stitch is a dc2tog, it goes round both its legs together.
- Every other round is worked with the wrong side facing. FPdc is always worked from the side that faces you: in a round with the wrong side facing, the FPdc lie as bars across the right side, and between the standing posts of the next round they make the squares of the waffle.
- The rows of the heel are turned in the plain way; the ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. sc2tog, and the 2 sc in one st, go through both loops; only the stitches whose line says BLO go into the back loop alone.
- After a joined round, draw the new color through with the sl st that closes it, and cut the old color, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). In the stripes of the cuff A waits on the inside while C is worked, and is drawn up again; C is cut after each stripe.
- A heel and a toe last longer with a fine nylon thread held along with B.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.
- A crocheted sole slips on a smooth floor: wear the socks on carpet or in shoes.
- Try the sock on as you go: about 5 rounds are 1 in (2.5 cm). A sock a little shorter than the foot stays on and lies smooth.

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
BLO: only the loop away from you. **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **dc in next 4 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 24 times: work what is inside 24 times in all.
(48 dc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

sc2tog (Single crochet 2 together (UK dc2tog)): Insert the hook in the next st, yarn over and draw up a loop, insert the hook in the st after it, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on the hook. It makes 1 st of 2.

dc2tog (Double crochet 2 together (UK tr2tog)): Yarn over, insert the hook in the next st, draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops; do the same in the st after it; yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on the hook. It makes 1 st of 2.

FPdc (Front post double crochet (UK raised treble at the front)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the front to the back and to the front again round the post (the upright part) of the st, yarn over and draw up a loop, [yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times. Leave the top of that st unworked.

BPdc (Back post double crochet (UK raised treble at the back)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the back to the front and to the back again round the post of the st, yarn over and draw up a loop, [yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times. Leave the top of that st unworked.

ej: Edge join: the end of a row of the second half of the heel is joined to the first half. Insert the hook in the end of the next free row of the first half at that side, the one nearest to the hook, then in the end of the row beyond it, yarn over and draw through all the loops on the hook. It is not counted and not worked into.

Leg: make 2, once for each sock

Yarns in order of use: A, oatmeal; C, red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 48 with the larger hook, taking care not to twist it, and sl st in the first ch to make a ring. Change to the smaller hook.	

Cuff

The rounds of the cuff are not turned.

☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 2, dc in each ch around, sl st in first dc to join	(48 dc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 24 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(24 FPdc, 24 BPdc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 24 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(24 FPdc, 24 BPdc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 24 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(24 FPdc, 24 BPdc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 24 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(24 FPdc, 24 BPdc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 24 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(24 FPdc, 24 BPdc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	With C, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 9**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	With C, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)

Leg

From here every round is turned. The first turn puts the inside of the cuff outside: the side that faces you in Rnd 14 is the right side of the sock, and the cuff shows its other side when it is folded down.

☐ **Rnd 14 (RS)**	Ch 2, turn, dc in each st around, sl st in first dc to join	(48 dc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 2, turn, **[**FPdc around next st, dc in next st, FPdc around next st**] 16 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(32 FPdc, 16 dc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 2, turn, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st**] 16 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(32 dc, 16 FPdc)
☐ **Rnds 17 to 35**	Repeat rnds 15 and 16 in turn: every even-numbered rnd is worked as rnd 16, every odd-numbered rnd as rnd 15.	

17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35

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☐ **Rnd 36**	Ch 2, turn, **[**dc in next 4 sts, dc2tog**] 3 times**, **[**dc in next 3 sts, dc2tog**] 6 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(39 dc)
☐ **End**	The right side faces you at the end of the last round. Draw the leg over your heel before you go on; if it does not pass, work the leg again with a larger hook. Fasten off.	

Heel: make 2, once for each sock

Yarn B, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join B with a sl st in the first of 18 places, beginning with the first stitch of the last round of the leg: 18 stitches of the leg. The other 21 stitches of the leg are left free for the top of the foot.	

First half

☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in same st as the join, sc in next 17 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 14 sts, sc2tog	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 12 sts, sc2tog	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 10 sts, sc2tog	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 8 sts, sc2tog	(10 sc)

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☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 6 sts, sc2tog	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sc2tog	(6 sc)

Second half

From here every row ends with an edge join, so that the two halves become one heel.

☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across, ej	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in last st, ej	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across, ej	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in BLO of next 6 sts, 2 sc in last st, ej	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across, ej	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in BLO of next 8 sts, 2 sc in last st, ej	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across, ej	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in BLO of next 10 sts, 2 sc in last st, ej	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across, ej	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in BLO of next 12 sts, 2 sc in last st, ej	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across, ej	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in BLO of next 14 sts, 2 sc in last st, ej	(18 sc)
☐ **End**	No row end of the first half is left free at either side, and there are again 18 stitches. The wrong side faces you. Fasten off.	

Foot: make 2, once for each sock

Yarns in order of use: A, oatmeal; B, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join A with a sl st in the first of 39 places, beginning with the first stitch at the right-hand edge of the last row of the heel (a left-handed maker begins at the left-hand edge): 18 stitches of the heel, then 21 stitches of the leg. The 21 stitches of the leg are the ones that were left free.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, dc in same st as the join, dc in next 17 sts, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st**] 7 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(32 dc, 7 FPdc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, turn, **[**FPdc around next st, dc in next st, FPdc around next st**] 7 times**, dc in next 18 sts, sl st in first FPdc to join	(14 FPdc, 25 dc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 2, turn, dc in next 18 sts, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st**] 7 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(32 dc, 7 FPdc)

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☐ **Rnds 4 to 13**	Repeat rnds 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered rnd is worked as rnd 2, every odd-numbered rnd as rnd 3.	

4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Try the sock on, or measure it from the back of the heel: the foot is now about 7½ in (19 cm) long, and the toe adds about 2 in (5 cm). For a longer or a shorter foot add rounds here or leave some out, always 2 at a time, a round with the wrong side facing and one with the right side: 2 rounds are about ¾ in (2 cm).

Toe

The first round of the toe brings the top of the foot, over which the round begins, to as many stitches as the sole.

☐ **Rnd 14**	With B, ch 1, turn, **[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**, sc in next 18 sts, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(16 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 18 in (45.5 cm). Lay the toe flat: the first 8 stitches of the last round are one layer and the other 8 the second, and the join is at one side edge. Sew the 8 pairs of stitches together from the outside, through both loops of each: the first with the last, the 2nd with the last but one, and so on.	

Finishing

- At the two ends of the heel, where it meets the top of the foot, close any gap on the inside with a stitch or two: at the end where the tails of the heel hang use one of them, at the other end a new piece of A 10 in (25.5 cm) long.
- The two socks are alike, left and right.
- Fold the cuff down over the outside along Rnd 13 of the leg. The two stripes of C then stand just below the fold.
- Weave in every tail: those of the cuff on the side that the fold hides, the others on the inside.

In all: 2 pieces.

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