

Felted Sweetheart slippers

Shoe size: 38 (European)
Washed size: 13 x 25 cm (5 1/4 x 10 inches)

Materials

Wash + Filz-it! 3 balls in colour 0008 light blue, and 1 ball in colour 0002, wool white; 1 pair knitting needles, size 7 mm (US 10 1/2) (Prym);
2 pieces checked blue-and-white ribbon, 5 mm (3/16 inch) wide and 20 cm (8 inches) long; matching sewing thread; latex liquid (optional)

Tension

Sole: 10 sts and 21 rows = 10 x 10 cm (4 x 4 inches)
Top: 11 sts and 21 rows = 10 x 10 cm (4 x 4 inches)

Basic patterns

Work sole in garter stitch (= k all rows). For top, work 4 rows garter stitch, then work stocking stitch (= k right side rows and p wrong side rows).

Instruction

Sole: With 2 strands of light blue yarn, cast on 10 sts and k 1 row.
Increase 1 st at each end of the next 2 rows.
Work 52 rows, then decrease 1 st at each end of next 3 rows. Cast off all sts.
Top: With 1 strand of light blue yarn, cast on 19 sts and k 1 row. Increase 1 st at each end of next 2 rows. Change to white and k 1 row.
Now continue in stocking stitch. After 5 more rows, work the heart pattern. Then work 3 more rows. Decrease 1 st at each end of next 3 rows. Cast off all sts.

Finishing

Sew the top to the sole so that the cast off sts are at the toe of the slipper. Wash as described in general instructions. After washing, pull into form and let dry. Use the checked ribbon to embroider around the heart shape. Paint the latex liquid on the sole.



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How to felt in the washing machine

The knitted items are felted at in the washing machine 40°C. Use a detergent for colors, but not a detergent for woolens, and no fabric conditioner. Different designs and colors can all be washed together at the same time. To increase the felting effect and for the most economic use of the washing machine, wash your items together with less sensitive colored garments, jeans or towels. Select a program that requires an adequate amount of water, e.g. a gentle wash with spin at the end, but please not a special program for woolens.

In the washing machine the items will shrink by about 30-40%; however these figures are only a rough guide. If the design should still be too big after the first wash, then wash it again at 40°C, or choose a different program.

After washing bring the slippers into shape well, then put the still moist shoes on your feet and wear them for about 5 minutes. Stuff a little paper or fabric and allow to dry. You can spread Latex milk on the dry soles of the slippers.

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