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Instructions for adding candy cane inspired colorwork to your
Churchmouse At Home ‘Basic Christmas Stockings’ in Berroco *Lanas*.



- Finished Size:** **Medium:** Approx. 8"/20cm across and 26"/66cm long.
- Yarn:** 3 skeins of Berroco *Lanas* (219 yds/200m each): 2 skein(s) in Color A and 1 skein(s) in Color B.
- Needles & Notions:** US 7 (4.5mm) 16"/40cm circular needle and double-point needles, or size to obtain gauge in plain stockinette.
 US 8 (5mm) 16"/40cm circular needle, or larger if needed to obtain gauge in colorwork (leg and foot only).
- Gauge:** Approx. 20 sts = 4"/10cm in stockinette stitch and colorwork stitch in the round. *Note: It's important to swatch both stockinette and colorwork in the round—you may need to go up more than one needle size for the colorwork portion.*

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

- Cuff:** With gauge needle and Color A, work as directed in original pattern for Medium size.
- Leg:** Change to larger needle, join Color B and work Candy Cane Swirl Chart in the round, always reading chart from right to left, until length given in original pattern. The 4-st repeat is worked a total of 16 times each round. *Note: Take care to strand floats evenly across back of work. To keep floats loose, stretch out sts of your last color on right needle before you bring your new color across the back. For color consistency, keep strand of one color always below the other as you ‘float’ them across the back; the lower strand will create slightly larger sts on the front, and thus its color will ‘pop’ a bit more.*

Candy Cane Swirl Chart

				4
				3
				2
				1

 Knit with Color A
 Knit with Color B

*4-st repeat; repeat 16 times each round.
 Read chart from right to left every round.*

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- Placement for ‘afterthought’ heel:** Heel placement round: Work 48 sts in Candy Cane Swirl Chart as established. With contrasting waste yarn (will be removed later) knit 16 sts, slip marker, knit 16 sts [total of 32 sts knit in waste yarn]. Slip these 32 sts back onto left needle, and with working yarns waiting, work these 32 sts again in chart as established. Work to end of round.
- Foot:** Continue in Candy Cane Swirl chart as established until length given in original pattern.
- Toe:** Cut Color B, leaving 8"/20cm tail to weave in later. With gauge double-point needles and Color A, work as directed in original pattern following stitch counts for Medium size.
Graft toe as directed in original pattern.
- ‘Afterthought’ heel:** Hold stocking with toe at top, cuff at bottom:
With double-point needle, insert tip of needle under right ‘leg’ of each st in row below waste yarn. [32 sts]
Rotate stocking (cuff is up, toe is down) and, with second double-point needle, repeat as above, beginning in first full stitch and ending in last full stitch. [31 sts on second needle]
Note: On the second needle, every fourth st will come with its ‘float’ attached, making it look something like a yarnover on the needle. On the first round, knit these stitches normally and the float will fall to the back where it belongs.
Carefully unpick waste yarn, releasing sts on the needles. Slide half the sts on first needle to another double-point needle. Slide half the sts on the second needle to another double-point needle, and pick up 1 more st at one corner.
With gauge needle and Color A, work as directed in original pattern, beginning “With heel color(s) at center back of leg,” following stitch counts for Medium size.
- Finishing:** Work I-cord hanger and weave in ends as directed in original pattern.
Lay stocking flat on moisture-safe surface. Gently steam with a press cloth and pat flat.