



# Finger Lakes Fibers Yarn Store

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## Finger Lakes Fibers Traveling Socks are Ready to Rock

A Traveling Sock Team will consist of five knitters. We are putting teams together now. If you've got four other folks you want on your team, one team member can send us all five names and addresses and we'll set you up. Or, if you would like to be surprised, then let us assign you your team mates (we've got interest in this from all over the country!) – just send us your name and address. The cost is just \$5/knitter to cover our administration. And all knitters can get 10% of in-stock sock yarn, sock needles, sock books, or sock patterns when they sign up.

Each pair of travelling socks will be knit all in fingering weight yarns – gauge: 7-1/2 stitches/inch (60 stitch cast on – knit from the top down). Each team member can use the yarn and patterns of their choice. Please check your gauge.

Here's how it works (detailed instructions will be sent to every member of a travelling sock team along with team members' addresses). You will have two weeks for each project; and one week in between each project week for shipping

1. **Knitter one:** Each of the five knitters in a team starts a pair of socks using any fingering weight yarn you have on hand (cast on 60 and knit a 2" cuff). Then, knit two inches of the leg in a pattern of your choice. You will have two weeks for this step.
2. Take both sock tops off the needles and put them on waste yarn; and mail both socks to the next knitter on the list. Allow one week for this process.
3. **Knitter two:** Open your mail and find the sock tops. Take them off of the waste yarn and put them back on needles. Knit any 60 stitch pattern you want until the sock leg measures 8" from the cast-on edge, using any fingering weight yarn you want (check out Cookie A's new book – *Knit. Sock. Love.* for some exciting new pattern ideas).
4. Take both socks off the needles and put them on waste yarn; and mail both socks to the next knitter on the list.
5. **Knitter three:** Open your mail and find the socks. Take them off of the waste yarn and put them back on needles. Using any fingering weight yarn, knit the heel flaps (with 30 stitches), do short row heel turns, pick-up and knit 17 stitches on each side of the heel, and knit the gusset decreases using any pattern for the 30 stitches on the top of the foot until there are 60 stitches remaining on the needles (we recommend that everyone follow the Yankee Knitter's *Classic Socks* pattern for this part of their socks).
6. Take both socks off the needles and put them on waste yarn; and mail both socks to the next knitter on the list.
7. **Knitter four:** Open your mail and find the socks. Take them off of the waste yarn and put them back on needles. Join your fingering weight yarn and continue knitting (in any pattern you would like) until the foot measures about six inches from the heel.
8. Take both socks off the needles and put them on waste yarn; and mail both socks to the next knitter on the list.
9. **Knitter five:** Continue knitting until the socks are your desired length, decrease, and finish the toes the way you like – these will be YOUR SOCKS!
10. Take a digital photo of your socks and email it to [mjpacker@gwriters.com](mailto:mjpacker@gwriters.com), along with the name of your team mates. We will post all photos on our website and in the shop.