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presents

# Neely O'Hara

Poor Neely. She had all the talent in the world in Jacqueline Susann's *Valley of the Dolls* and she ended up getting addicted to pills. It's a story we're all familiar with now: rising young star gets addicted to toxic substance and destroys her career in the process. But, like Judy Garland, Neely will always hold a soft spot in my heart as one of the original Hollywood drama queens. Neely's downward spiral comes to life in the stitch motif, which flows down the sock.

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**Yarn:** Approximately 100 grams fingering weight.

**Notions:** Darning needle.

**Yarn shown:** Little Red Bicycle Hipster Sock (80% superwash merino, 20% nylon; approximately 430 yards per 100 grams). Shown in Columbine.

**Finished sizes:** US women's size 7-9 shoe, expect 8 in/20.5 cm.

**Needles:** One US 0 (2.0mm) 32" circular needle (for magic loop), or two US 0 (2.0mm) 16" circular needles.

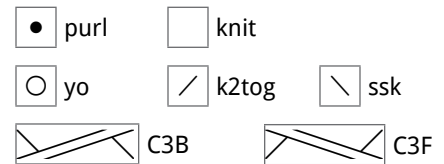
**Notes:** Due to the nature of this pattern, sizing is adjusted by going up a needle size. Be sure to select a sock yarn that is slightly thicker and plan to use the larger needle. This pattern is written using the Magic Loop method.

## Abbreviations

C3F: sl1 onto cable needle, hold in front, k2, k1 from cable needle  
C3B: sl2 onto cable needle, hold in back, k1, k2 from cable needle  
cn: cable needle  
CO/BO: cast on/bind off  
k: knit  
k2tog: knit 2 together

ndl: needle  
p: purl  
p2tog: purl 2 together  
pm: place marker  
rpt/rpts: repeat/repeats  
RS/WS: right side/wrong side  
sl: slip  
slm: slip marker  
ssk: slip 2 sts, then knit them together

st(s): stitch(es)  
tbl: through the back loop  
yo: yarn over



## Instructions

**Leg** Using your preferred method, CO 70 sts.  
Pm and join in the round. Work in Twisted Ribbing for approximately 1 inch/2.5 cm.  
*Twisted Ribbing: \*k1 tbl, p1, repeat fom \* to end.*  
Switch to chart (next page). For the leg, knit across entire chart (35 sts) twice.  
Continue knitting chart pattern until desired leg length is achieved, ending on Row 1, 4, 5, or 8.

## Heel Flap

The heel is knit back and forth across half of the sts.  
(RS) Row 1: \*sl1, k1, repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k2tog, turn work. (34 sts remain)  
(WS) Row 2: sl1, p to end, turn work.  
Row 3: \*sl1, k1, repeat from \* to end, turn work.  
Row 4: sl1, p to end, turn work.  
Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until you have 15 slipped stitches on each edge.  
For a higher instep, work additional rows, making sure to decrease to compensate.  
End with a WS row.

## Heel turn

(RS) Row 1: k17, ssk, k1, turn work.  
(WS) Row 2: sl1, p3, p2tog, p1, turn work.  
Row 3: sl1, k to one stitch before the gap, ssk, k1, turn work.  
Row 4: sl1, p to one stitch before the gap, p2tog, p1, turn work.  
Continue in this manner until all stitches have been worked, you should end with a RS row.

