

# Thrummed Slippers - Adult

## Foot:

Continue to work in the round till desired length minus 2" and start working the star shaped toe as follows. Divide stitches evenly onto 4 needles or mark halfway point on each needle for ML..

Decrease round: work till 2 stitches from end of the needle (or M) and K2TOG. Repeat around (4 stitches decreased). Work a plain round. Repeat the last 2 rounds 3 times while keeping track of thrum placement as best as possible, then work the decrease round only till 8 stitches remain. Cut yarn leaving about 6" and weave through remaining stitches and to the inside and securely weave in end.

Have fun making, wearing or gifting these wonderfully warm slippers.

Be creative and add your own spin to them.

Happy thrumming...



Sample pair made with Cestari  
Mt.Vernon

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### Materials needed:

Heavy worsted or aran yarn 150-170 yards.

Roving or combed top, approx. 2 oz. should be more than sufficient

US #8 or 9 double point (DP) needles or long circular for the Magic Loop (ML) method.

Three stitch markers (one being a different one for beginning of round).

**Gauge:** 4 st per inch

Sizes: Woman's medium and large (or men's small) other sizes may be achieved by adding/subtracting 4 stitches or using a lighter or heavier weight yarn and adjusting needle size.

### Abbreviations used:

BOR: beginning of round

K2TOG: knit 2 st together as one

DS: double stitch created during German short rows

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**Special techniques:** German short row heel. See separate page for written directions on how to work short rows, as well as how to make thrums and thrum placement sequence.

### There are several cuff options:

Rolled cuff: work 6 to 8 rounds in stockinette before continuing. You could knit the rolled cuff in a contrasting color.

Ribbed cuff: work 10-12 rounds in either a 1x1 rib or 2x2 rib or work more rounds for a folded over cuff (keeping in mind you may need more yarn)

Garter cuff: work 8-10 rounds of garter (purl 1 round, knit 1 round)

### Right and left slipper are identical:

Cast on 36 (40) stitches and divide onto 4 needles and place marker for beginning of round (BOR). After working one of the above cuff options, work 2 plain rounds and start placing thrums per the thrum placement sequence on insert page and work through one full 8-round repeat, then work rounds 1-3 and start the short row heel.

### Short row heel:

Short row heels are done in two sections and over half the number of stitches (either 18 or 20). BOR is between the end of the heel stitches and at start of the instep stitches.

### First half:

Place last 18 (20) stitches worked on 1 needle for heel and place markers after the 6<sup>th</sup> (M1) and 12<sup>th</sup> (18<sup>th</sup>) stitch (M2). You will now work back and forth over these 18 (20) heel stitches while the 18 (20) instep stitches are "on hold". In the first half of the short row heel, you work stitches from the outer edges of the 18 (20) heel stitches toward the center 6 (8) stitches and in the second half you work stitches from the 6 (8) center stitches toward outer edges of the 18 (20) stitches, which creates the heel cup.

### Next:

Turn, you are now facing a wrong-side row (WS) and make a double stitch (DS), purl to end of the needle (4<sup>th</sup> row for thrumming sequence). See insert page for short row instructions.

Turn, you are now facing a right-side row (RS) and make a DS and knit across the needle to DS of previous row (**this should be a thrum row**-do a visual check for correct placement).

Turn (WS) and make DS. Purl to DS of previous row. Continue in above manner, repeating the last two rows by knitting or purling to previous DS till you reach the markers. The last turn should be to the RS with 1 stitch before M1 being the last DS to work. Knit to M2, slip marker and work all the DS on left side of marker as 1 stitch (there should be 6 sets of DS). Then continue across instep stitches and then work all the DS to right of M1 as 1 stitch (again there should be 6 sets of DS).

Continue across remainder of heel stitches and work across instep stitches again (which is beginning of new round and **should be a thrum round**). After working these instep stitches you are ready to start the second half of the short row heel which is a thrum round between M1 and M2.

### Second half:

Knit to M2, slip marker, knit 1, turn (WS) and DS, slip marker, purl across center stitches to M1, slip marker, purl 1 and turn (RS) and DS, remove M1, knit to M2, remove marker, work DS as 1 stitch, knit 1 and turn (WS), DS, purl to next DS and purl together as 1 stitch, purl 1 and turn. Work the next few rows alternating knitting and purling while working the DS as one as you encounter them AND working 1 stitch past DS of previous row before turning till you reach end of needle on each end (while keeping track of thrum sequence). On last turn (to the RS) the first stitch on the needle will become last DS, knit across to DS at end of the needle, work as 1 stitch (**last heel row should be a thrum row**) AND continue working in the round across instep stitches, then work last DS at beginning of heel needle and work to end of the round. Divide heel stitches onto 2 needles and continue to foot.