

BOTTIES®

Knitted Botties®

Free basic
instructions for
blended yarns
50 g / 125 m
Needle size 4-4.5



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For this model you will need:



Crochet hook 3 mm; double pointed knitting needles 3.5 mm, and for sizes D-G circular needles with a short cable; wool needle; fabric clips; tailor's wax, if necessary



Matching insoles, e.g. felt insoles, 10 mm thick



1 pair of Botties soles



Kids XXS / XS / S / M / L = approx. 50 g
Kids XL and Adults XXS / XS / S / S+ / M / L / XL = approx. 100 g

YARN RECOMMENDATION

Composition: Blended yarns (virgin wool/acrylic) with a yardage of: 50 g/125 m — Needle size: 4-4.5 mm
Tension: 10 x 10 cm = 22.5 sts and 36 rows in stockinette stitch

Knit a tension swatch before starting, as it is crucial to work with the exact tension to obtain the perfect fit for your Botties®. If in your swatch there are more stitches to 10 cm, use bigger needles; if there are less, use smaller needles.

HINTS

- ① Yarns that can be torn easily by hand aren't durable enough for Round 0. Please use a more resistant yarn in a similar colour (e.g. waxed thread), before continuing with your yarn of choice.
- ② Cotton is very resistant, but tends to wear out quickly. You can compensate this by washing your Botties® quite often. We recommend you work your knitted Botties® with a yarn that has a high percentage of polyacrylic and/or wool.
- ③ These instructions were written assuming that you wear your Botties® with 10 mm thick felt insoles. The insole raises the foot for a better fit. If you'd like to wear your Botties® with thinner insoles, start decreasing in the 1st round. For children, work the smaller size according to the instructions.
- ④ Heel cap: In case you need more holes to fixate your shoe to the sole, you can add the necessary number using punch pliers.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Stockinette stitch in the round: knit all stitches

Rib stitch in the round: *knit 1, purl 1*, repeat all across

Right leaning decrease before the centre stitch: knit 2 or 3 stitches together

Left leaning decrease after the centre stitch: Simple left leaning decrease: Slip one stitch knitwise, then slip it back on the left needle and knit it together with the following stitch. For the left leaning double decrease: Slip one stitch knitwise, then another. The stitches turn and the second stitch lies in front of the first. Slip the two stitches back on the left needle and knit them together with the following stitch.

Always pull the yarn tight when decreasing at the centre.

Stretchy bind-off: Knit one stitch and slip it back on the left needle. Then *knit two stitches together, return the resulting stitch back to the left needle*. Repeat from * to * until there is only one stitch left. Cut the yarn, pull it through and weave in the end.

Knitting with double pointed needles: Distribute the stitches evenly onto four needles, with the front and back centre stitches in the centre of one needle respectively.

Explanation of the chart

The charts show the sections in which decreases are worked.

Empty squares do not represent any stitch as they are the result of the decreases.

Read the chart right to left. Decreases are worked just before or after the stitches marked with bold numbers. Tip: Marking those stitches when casting on makes it easier to sew the boot to the sole later.

Abbreviations and symbols

acc = according to

approx = approximately

BO = bind off

CO = cast on

dec = decrease

k = knit


p = purl


r(s) = row(s)

rnd(s) = round(s)

st(s) = stitch(s)

 = knit one st


 = right leaning decrease


 = left leaning decrease


 = right leaning double decrease (knit 3 sts together)


 = left leaning double decrease


 = no stitch (result of the decrease)

 = no stitch for the size **marked in red**

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SEWING THE BOOT TO THE SOLE - ROUND 0

Crocheting around the sole: Hold the sole with the heel facing you. Insert the crochet hook from the inside to the outside of the central hole on the bottom row, and pass the yarn through the hole. Now insert the crochet hook through the hole on top of the first hole from the outside to the inside; wrap yarn over hook, pass the yarn through the hole and finish working the single crochet. Repeat this for the rest of the heel. Work all the stitches in the holes beyond the heel in single crochet, then close the round with a slip stitch. Tip: Crocheting around the sole is easier if you wax the yarn with tailor's wax.

Sewing the boot to the sole: Carefully steam-block the knitted boot, especially the decreases in the front. Pin the cast-on round to the sole, matching the heel mark to the centre stitch in the back, the tip of the foot to the centre stitch in the front, and the marked stitches on the side placed evenly on either side of the sole. Now use the blanket stitch to sew the boot to the upper edge of the crocheted round, starting at the heel. To do so, pass the needle back to front through the crochet stitch, then front to back through the cast-on round of the knitted boot, and back to front through the resulting loop. Pull the yarn tight. You can also use an overlock stitch to fixate the boot to the sole.

Chart A for size Kids XXS — Circumference of the sole: 38.5 cm; leg height 10 cm; leg width 16 cm: CO 86 sts and distribute them evenly onto dpns. Work stockinette stitch in the round. Knit 3 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from 16th to 71st st acc to the chart. From rd 12 on, continue without dec. Work 35 and 36 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.

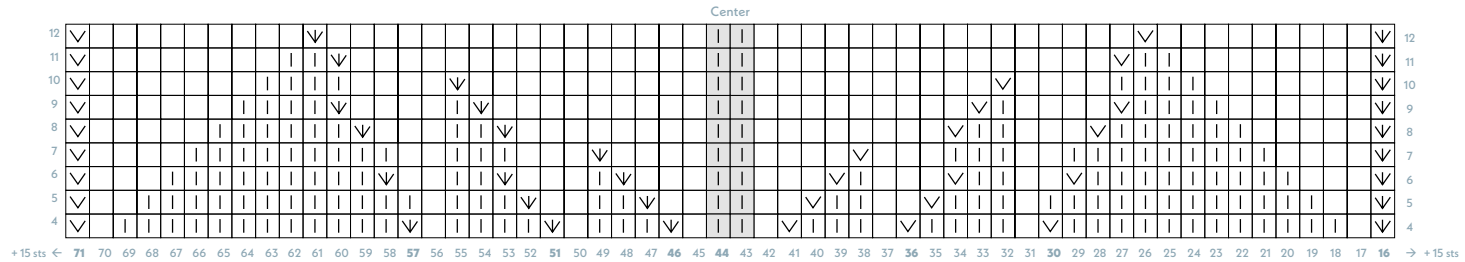


Chart B for sizes Kids XS and Kids S — Circumference of the sole: 42.5/45.5 cm; leg height 11 cm; leg width 16/18 cm: CO 94/100 sts and distribute them evenly onto dpns. Work stockinette stitch in the round. Knit 4 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from 15th/18th st to 80th/83rd st acc to the chart. From rnd 15 on, continue without dec; dec 1x1 st in rnd 15 only for size Kids S acc to the chart. Work rnds 39 and 40 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.

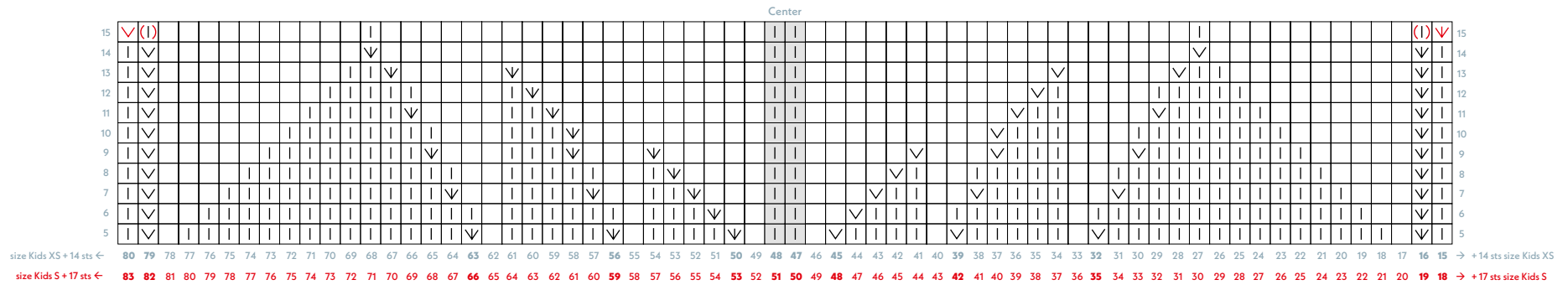


Chart C for sizes Kids M and Kids L — Circumference of the sole: 49/51.5 cm; leg height 11 cm; leg width 19/20 cm: CO 110/116 sts and distribute them evenly onto dpns. Work stockinette stitch in the round. Knit 4 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from 18th/21st st to 93rd/96th st acc to the chart. From rnd 17 on, continue without dec; dec 1x2 sts in rnd 17 only for size Kids L acc to the chart. Work rnds 39 and 40 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.

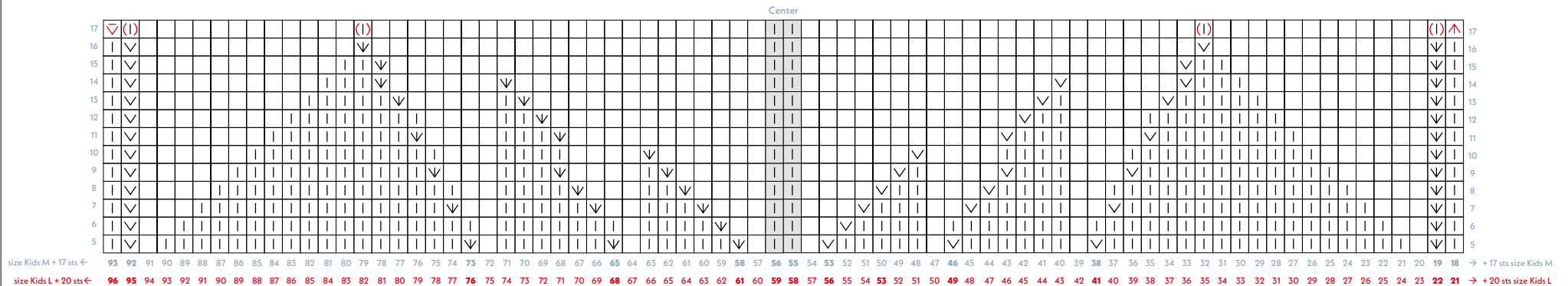


Chart D for sizes Kids XL and Adult XXS — Circumference of the sole: 54.5/57.5 cm; leg height 12 cm; leg width 22/23 cm; CO 124/130 sts on circular needles. Join in the round and work stockinette stitch. Knit 4 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from 22nd/25th st to 103rd/106th st acc to the chart. When necessary, switch to 3.5 mm dpns. From rnd 19 on, continue without dec; dec 1x1 st in rnds 19 and 20 only for **size Adult XXS** acc to the chart. Work rnds 43 and 44 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.

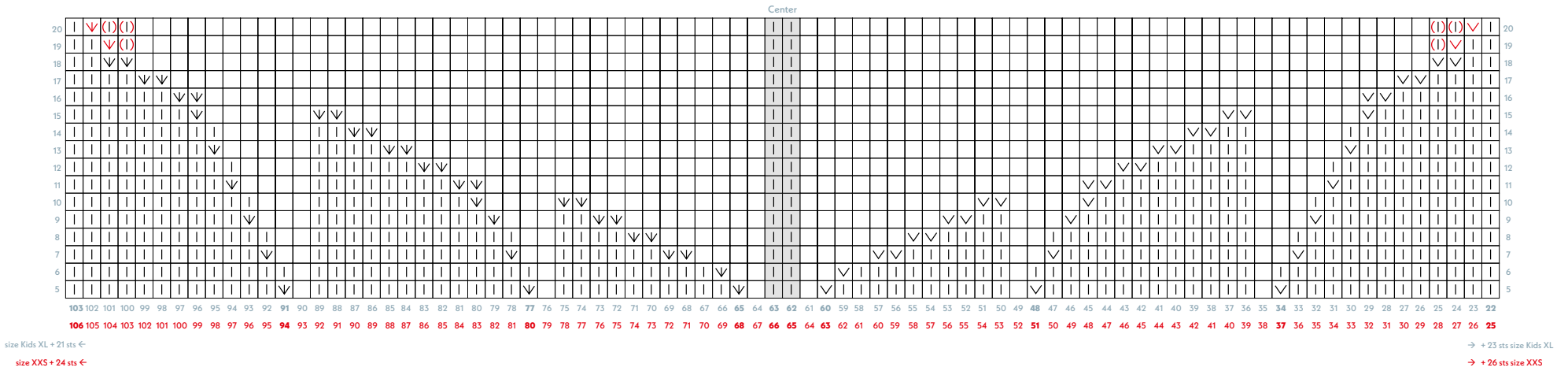


Chart E for sizes Adult XS and S — Circumference of the sole: 60/62 cm; leg height 13 cm; leg width 24/25 cm; CO 134/140 sts on circular needles. Join in the round and work stockinette stitch. Knit 4 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from 24th/27th st to 111th/114th st acc to the chart. When necessary, switch to 3.5 mm dpns. From rnd 21 on, continue without dec; dec 1x1 st in rnds 21 and 22 only for **size Adult S** acc to the chart. Work rnds 45-47 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.

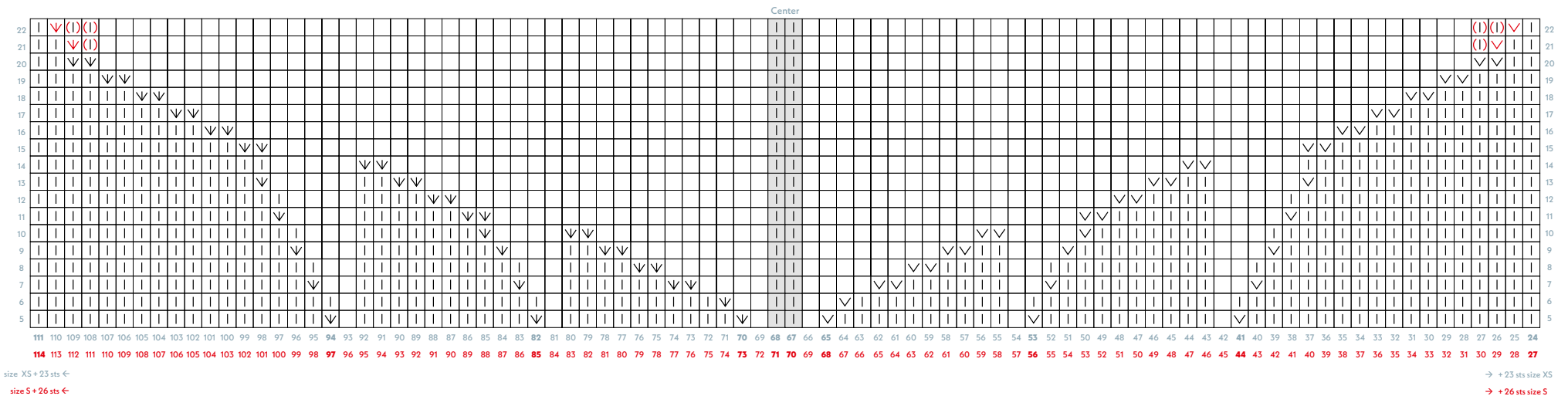


Chart F for sizes Adult S+ and M — Circumference of the sole: **64/66 cm**; leg height **14 cm**; leg width **25/26 cm**; CO **144/148** sts on circular needles. Join in the round and work stockinette stitch. Knit 4 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from **25th/27th st** to **120th/122nd st** acc to the chart. When necessary, switch to 3.5 mm dpns. From rnd 23 on, continue without dec; dec 1x1 st in rnd 23 only for **size Adult M** acc to the chart. Work rnds 47-50 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.

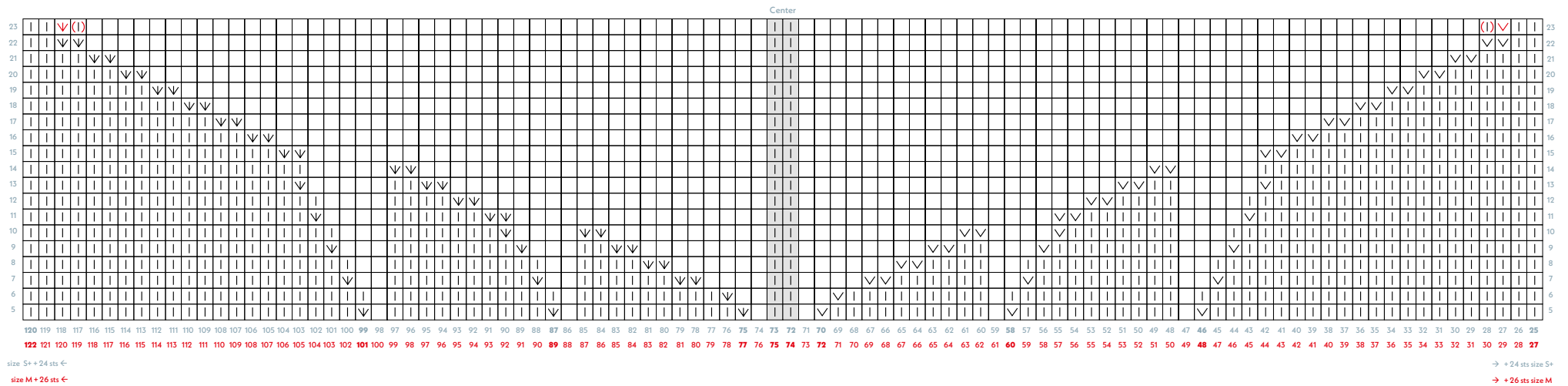
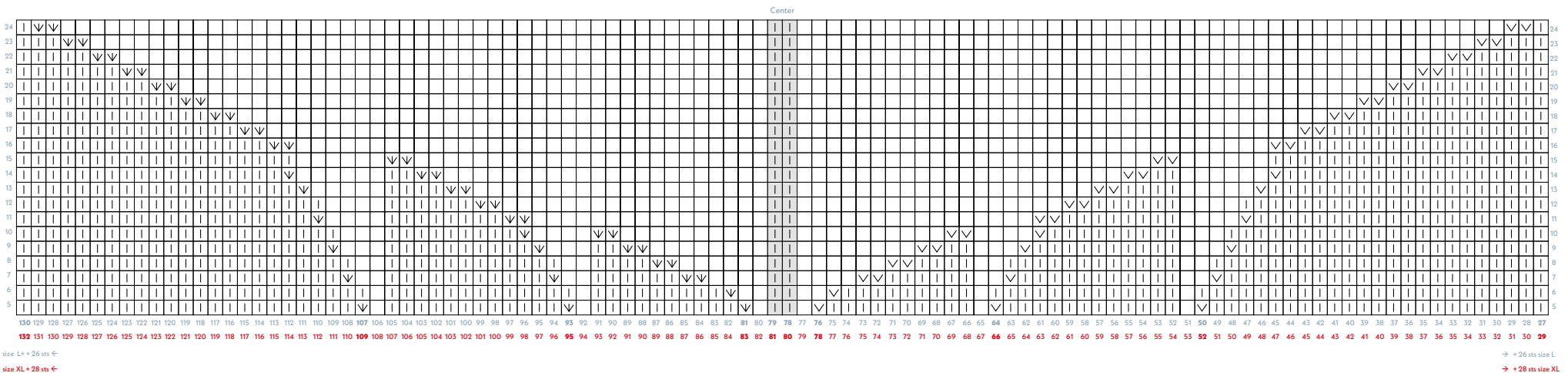
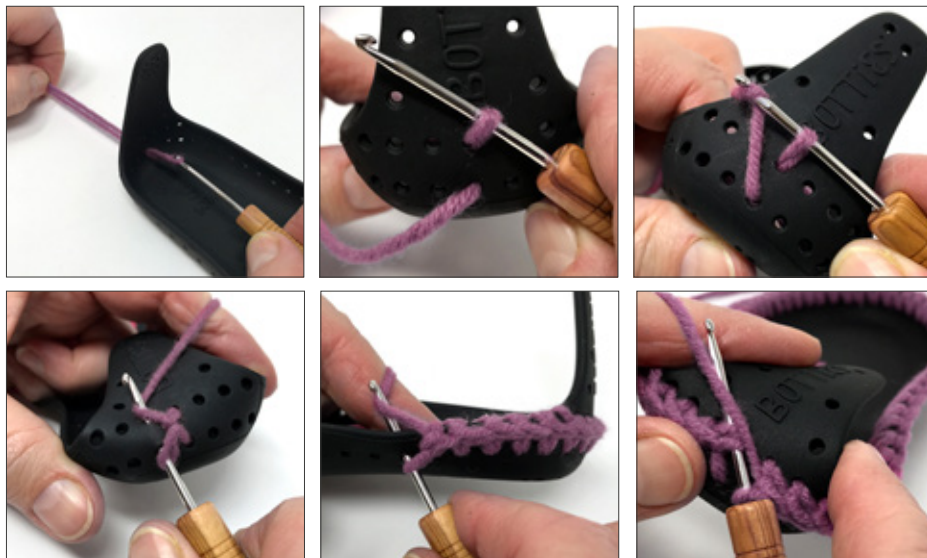


Chart G for sizes Adult L and XL — Circumference of the sole: **69/71.5 cm**; leg height **15 cm**; leg width **26/27 cm**; CO **156/160** sts on circular needles. Join in the round and work stockinette stitch. Knit 4 rnds without dec. Then continue in stockinette stitch working the decreases from **27th/29th st** to **130th/132nd st** acc to the chart. When necessary, switch to 3.5 mm dpns. From rnd 24 on, continue without dec. Work rnds 52-54 in rib stitch, then BO all sts using the elastic bind-off as described above.



Crochet around the sole



Knit according to the chart



Sew to the sole

