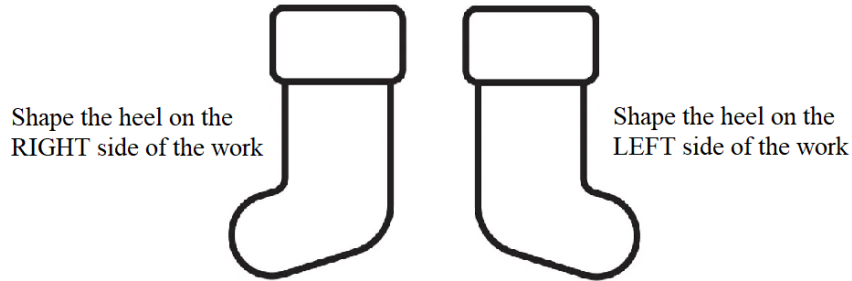


Christmas Stocking General Tips

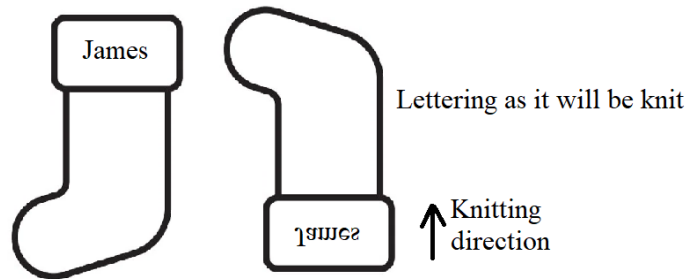
Read the pattern completely first.

Determine which way the stocking will hang. This will determine what side of the work to shape the heel, requiring a row adjustment to have the carriage on that side.



Many patterns begin knitting from the cuff to the toe. Some will have a fold over cuff, so it needs to be understood which is the facing and which is the cuff where a name or design will be.

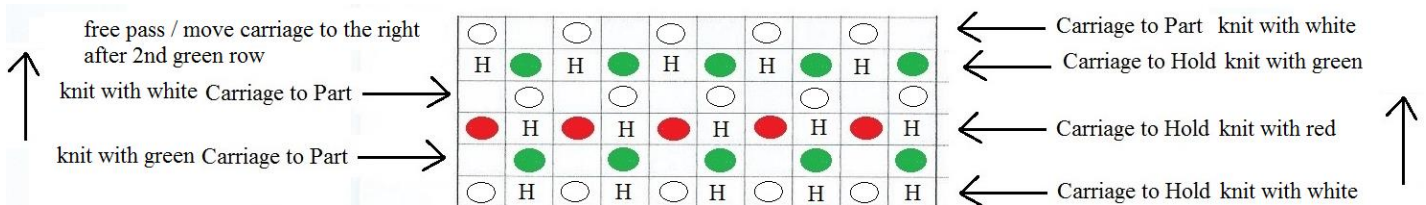
If the stocking is knit from cuff to toe the lettering and designs need to be programmed upside down.



Understand where the seam will be and what part of the stocking will be the front where a design may be placed – both in stitches wide and rows for length.

The knitter is the designer – stripes, names, words, motifs – whatever it takes to make the stocking personal for whoever the stockings are for. I think stockings are a great wedding gift

Following is a method to knit Fair Isle with a manual machine.



The following link has many 24 stitch Holiday designs to get you inspired:

<https://www.instagram.com/thedudewhoknits/>

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