

# Maryjane's Puffs Socks



## Materials Needed & Measurements

- **Suggested Yarn:** Worsted weight yarn (e.g., cotton or acrylic blend for durability)
- **Yarn Measurements:** Approx. 150-200 yards
- **Hook Size:** 5.0 mm (H) crochet hook
- **Other Tools:** Scissors, yarn needle, stitch markers (optional)

## Abbreviations (US Terms):

- **ch** – Chain
- **sl st** – Slip Stitch
- **sc** – Single Crochet
- **hdc** – Half Double Crochet
- **puff st** – Puff Stitch (Yarn over, insert hook into stitch, pull up a loop, repeat 3 times, yarn over, pull through all loops on hook, ch 1 to close puff)

# Stitching Instructions for Making the Maryjane's Puffs Socks Pattern:

## Cuff:

- **Ch 10** to begin the cuff.
- In the 2nd ch from the hook, work **1 sc**, and then work **1 sc** in each ch across (9 sts).
- Turn the piece and **ch 1**, then **sc in BLO** (back loop only) across all the stitches. This creates a ribbed texture.
- Repeat Row 2 until the cuff measures the length you need to fit around your ankle (usually about 30-40 rows). This will form a stretchy cuff.
- Once the cuff is long enough, join the short ends together with a **sl st**, creating a tube.

## Leg Section:

- **Ch 1**, then work **sc** evenly around the top edge of the cuff. Join with a **sl st** to form a round.
- **Ch 2** (counts as the first **hdc**) and work **hdc** in each stitch around. Join with a **sl st** to close the round.
- **Ch 2**, then work a **puff st** in the next stitch. A puff st is made by:
  - **Yarn over**, insert the hook into the stitch, and pull up a loop.
  - Repeat this 3 times, so you end up with 7 loops on the hook.
  - **Yarn over** again, pull through all 7 loops on the hook.
  - **Ch 1** to close the puff stitch.
- Now, **ch 1**, then skip 1 stitch, and repeat the puff stitch in the next stitch.
- Continue this pattern around the leg: **ch 1, skip 1, puff st in the next**.
- Join the round with a **sl st**.
- Repeat Round 3 until the leg section reaches the desired height, usually 10-12 rounds.

## Heel:

- To make the heel, we'll work in **short rows**:
  - **Ch 2** (counts as the first **hdc**), work **hdc** in each stitch across half of the total stitches. For example, if you have 36 stitches, you'll work over 18 stitches for the heel.
- Turn, **ch 2**, and **hdc** back across those stitches.
- Continue this back-and-forth motion, working **hdc** until the heel section is about 8-10 rows tall.
- Fold the heel in half and use **sl st** to join the two short edges together. This will form the heel.

## Foot Section:

- After completing the heel, join with a **sl st** at the end of the heel section to continue working in rounds.
- **Ch 2**, then work the same puff stitch pattern (from the leg section) around the entire foot, being careful to space it evenly.
- Continue working the puff stitch rounds until the foot reaches about 1.5 inches shorter than the desired sock length.

## Toe Section:

- To form the toe, work **hdc decreases** in every other stitch for the next 3 rounds:
  - To decrease **hdc**, yarn over, insert hook into the first stitch, yarn over again, pull through (3 loops on hook), yarn over again, and pull through all 3 loops.
  - Then, insert the hook into the next stitch, yarn over, pull through 3 loops, and yarn over again to pull through all 3 loops to complete the decrease.
- Continue this process until the sock has only 6-8 stitches remaining.
- Fasten off, leaving a long tail, and use a yarn needle to **close the toe** by weaving the yarn through the remaining stitches and pulling tight.

## Finishing:

- Weave in any loose ends using a yarn needle.
- If desired, **block** your socks lightly to help them hold their shape.