

# Lullaby Booties

Cloud Soft and Toasty Warm make these little booties a favorite.



**Loom:** 10" Knitting Board (18 pegs needed)

**Stitch:** Rib

**Size:** Finished size is approx 3.5" long and 3.5" high at heel.

**Yarn:** Lion Brand Velvet Spun(1/2) skein will knit them both, plus same color worsted for sewing and anchor yarn 2 yd ¼" wide velvet ribbon (4') or remnant of accent yarn for the ties (aprox 6 yds)

**Notions:** crochet hook and knit hook

## Instructions

This yarn is velvety soft and knits like a very bulky yarn. It will shed a bit as you work, but washes up really well once the ends are secured. Using the same pattern with a finer yarn will result in a smaller bootie for newborns. You may want to purchase a small amount of same color, smooth yarn for the sewing of the seam and the anchor yarn. (3 yds)

Cast On 18 stitches. Lay anchor yarn of smooth yarn in same color.  
Work 7 rows in Rib stitch.

Bind Off 4 stitches on each end of board. Be sure to lay the working yarn down across the stitches before binding off at that end. This will result in the yarn being in the correct position to continue the next row. Place the last loop of the bind off onto the next needle on either board.

Knit this row in Rib stitch, keeping the same starting position of needle 1 to 3.  
Be sure to lift the 2 loops over when you work the needle with the extra loop.

Work 1 row in Rib stitch.



Increase 1 stitch at each end of board. This will be the first and last stitch.

Work this row in Rib stitch.

Next row, move the first stitch over by 1 needle, creating an empty needle on both boards. Do this to both ends of the board.

Increase 1 stitch from the 2<sup>nd</sup> stitch by lifting the previous row loops onto the empty needles.

Work this row in Rib stitch.

Work 2 additional rows in Rib stitch.

We have started all rows in same rib starting position which will give the cuff of the bootie a shift in the rib pattern. This is where the ribbon will lace.

Bind Off of the board with crochet hook. Do the bind off by lifting 2 loops from alternating boards and pull one loop thru the other. Pick up one more loop from opposite board, and pull the one loop thru the other. Continue this process across the board. Pull yarn tail thru the last loop.

## Finishing

If your anchor yarn is the same color as the working yarn, you may just leave it in the bootie. Pull the anchor yarn just a little to bring the stitches 'side-by-side', and tie and knot the anchor yarn at each end and trim. Tuck ends into knitting. Your bootie is now folded with the anchor yarn edge at the bottom of the foot.

Sew the bootie: Starting at top edge, tie the sewing yarn to yarn tail. Sew down the seam and use the sewing to create a soft rounded shape to the toe. Continue across the bottom of the bootie by picking up the cast on loops from each edge alternating the sides. You will end the sewing at the heel of the bootie and can create the soft rounded shape to the heel as you sew.

Once all the yarn tails are tucked into the knitting, you are ready for the ribbon. You will want to shake the bootie to release the bits of yarn threads that are loose from the sewing.

Weave the crochet hook in and out from front to back at the narrow point of the bootie. Pull the ribbon thru. Weave the other side of the bootie with the crochet hook from front to back. Pull the ribbon thru so that both ends of ribbon are at the front of bootie. Tie in bow. Trim the ribbon to desired length. If you prefer, you may make your drawstring with a crochet chain of yarn or ribbon of another fabric. We use either satin or velvet for this. Photo shows contrast color yarn crochet chain in place of the ribbon.

You can use the other half of your skein of yarn for a little cap for your adorable little 'angel'.

