

Sock Monkey Instructions

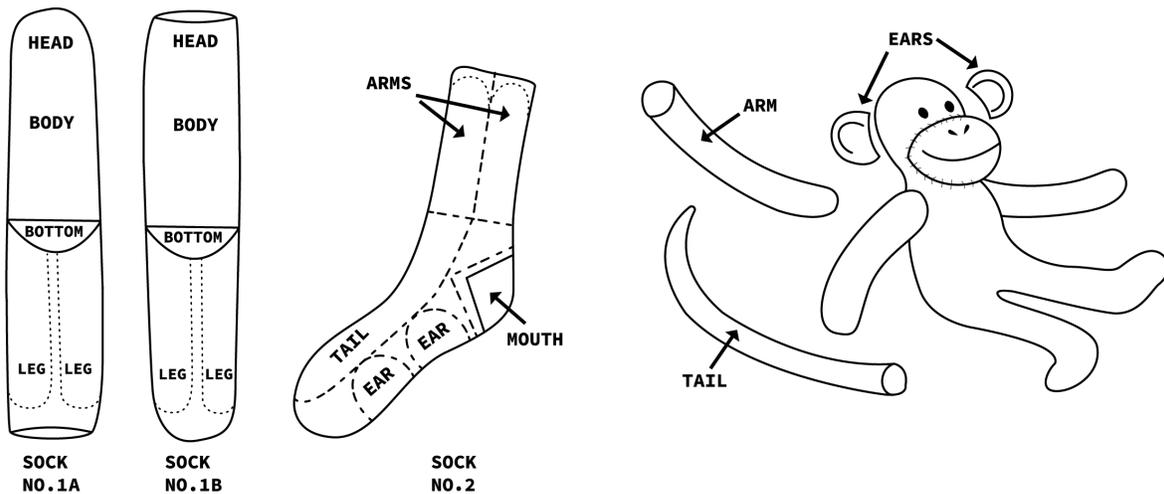
**Have an extra pair of Stanford socks at home?
Show off your Stanford pride by turning them into a sock monkey!**

You'll need:

- An unworn pair of socks
- Scissors and a marker
- Stuffing like polyester or cotton fiber
- A needle and thread
- Two buttons
- Optional: Yarn or embroidery thread

Note:

If you are using a pair of socks with a directional pattern, use 1B for your body shape. This will put the head of the monkey at the ankle of the sock so the pattern is upright. To close the top of the monkey's head, run a long gathering stitch around the "mouth" of the sock and pull tight to gather. If there is a gap at the top of the head, you can use yarn to add hair or you can style the monkey with accessories like a small hat.



Method:

1. Turn your sock inside out and draw where you will need to make cuts following the dashed lines above.
2. **Body:** Starting with the first sock, sew along the lines marking the legs. Leave a 2 cm gap between the top of the legs so you can add the stuffing later. Cut along the stitching, leaving approximately 0.5-1 cm to prevent fraying, and cut along the gap you left between the top of the legs. Turn the sock right side out through the hole you just created and add stuffing to the head, body, and legs. Stitch up the hole.
3. **Mouth:** Cut the mouth out of the heel of the second sock. Fold the cut edge under and sew onto the head of your monkey, making sure to leave a gap open at the top or bottom. Add stuffing to the mouth through the gap, then finish sewing closed.
4. **Ears:** Cut out the ears, and cut along the fold of the sock so that each ear is in two pieces. Place the outside faces together for each ear, sew along the curve, then turn right side out. You can stuff the ears or leave them unstuffed. Fold the cut edge under and sew onto the monkey's head.
5. **Arms:** Cut out the arms and sew along the cut edge, leaving the top of the arm open. Turn right side out and fill with stuffing. Fold the cut edge under and sew onto the body under the ears. It may be easier to attach the arms by placing them as if the monkey were holding its hands above its head. Be sure to sew the arms on such that no opening is left at the "shoulder" of the arm.
6. **Tail:** Cut out the tail from the remaining sock fabric and repeat the steps you performed for the arms. Attach the tail on the monkey's backside.
7. **Eyes:** Sew the buttons onto the monkey above the mouth.
8. **Optional:** Use yarn or embroidery thread to add hair, a mouth and nostrils, or other fun details!