These socks are not for the faint of heart. The stitches used are simple, but the fine thread and small hook make them fiddly to make. I haven't tried this, but size 20 thread and a size 8 hook might make an acceptable sock. I would drop the last one or two rows if using the bigger thread and hook. They will also end up a bit longer.

Materials:

-size 12 perle cotton or size 30 crochet cotton
-size 10 steel crochet hook

Note: Make two. **Work all stitches in the back loop only.** Ch1 at beginning of each row does not count as the first hdc.

Sock:

1. Chain 36, hdc in second ch from hook, hdc in next ch (ch1, skip next ch, hdc in next two ch) across, ch1, turn.
2. 2-12. (Hdc in next two hdc, ch1, skip ch1 space) across, hdc in last two hdc, ch1 turn. At the end of row 12, do not fasten off.

Back seam.

Fold sock in half lengthwise, ch1, sl st in first hdc on opposite side (ch2, sl st in ch1 space in opposite side) working back and forth across each side of the sock. At the end, ch2, sl st in last hdc on opposite side, ch2, sl st in last hdc of this side. Ch15, sl st on opposite side of stocking for stirrup to keep stocking in place when shoe is slipped on foot. Finish off.

Sock has no toes so as not to add bulk to the foot and allow the shoe to fit better.

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