Juana’s Universal CSM Selvage

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This selvage technique makes a nice looking selvage for any NON-1x1 cast-on combination that will work on your machine. It is based on the simple hemmed top.

Remember that as you complete knitting ¾ of a row around the sock, you will need to also pay attention to what needs to be done on the next row, beginning at the right hash mark.

1. Knit scrap on all your needles.
2. Row 1 > Add your sock yarn at the right hash mark and knit 1 row.
3. Row 2 > Continue to knit ¾ around the cylinder, stopping with your carriage in the front on the 2nd row.
4. Row 3 > Hang the loops from Row 1 onto Row 2 needles. As you knit this row, you will lock your stitches together. Hang hem and knit around the cylinder, stopping with your carriage in the front on the 3rd row.
5. Row 4 > You will need to start transferring your cylinder needles to the desired ribber needles beginning at the right hash mark. As your yarn carrier approaches the right hash mark (completing row 3), make sure that your selvage lever is set to OUT so that the ribber stitches do NOT knit on this row AND use the heel spring to increase the tension on your yarn. Continue adding ribber needles with selvage lever OUT and heel spring in use until you approach the right hash mark at the end of the 4th row.
6. Row 5 > Set selvage lever IN work to knit ribber stitches and leave heel spring ON.
7. You may now take heel spring off and knit your rib as normal.