# Geek Chic Dice Pouch



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Since hubby is a hard-core D&D geek, he has lots of dice.  I decided that he needed a nifty bag to keep them in, so I made the red version.  Then I decided I wanted it for my dice, and made the felted version for him.  The smallest one was made for a set of 100 tiny 6-sided dice (4mm on a side)  These would also work well in non-geek applications, and are great stashbusters – I didn't use anywhere near a full skein for any of them.  Gauge is not critical, but I have given mine as a reference.

**Sizes**: S, M, L (L is felted version)
**Finished Measurements** (across opening): 3", 5", 8"

**Materials**:
Small bag: Red Heart Luster Sheen (100% Acrylic; 335yds per 113g skein), color: Serenity, 28sts=4"
US size 2 dpns (set of 4) 3 stitch markers, yarn needle, approx. 1 yard scrap yarn or ribbon for drawstring.

Medium bag: TLC Lustre (100% Acrylic; 253yds per 143g skein), color: Claret, 18sts=4"
US size 5 dpns (set of 5) 4 stitch markers, yarn needle, approx. 1 yard scrap yarn or ribbon for drawstring.

Large bag: Patons Classic Merino Wool (100% Merino wool; 223yds per 100g skein), 16sts=4" post-felting
US size 10 dpns (set of 5) 12 stitch markers, yarn needle, approx. 2 yards scrap yarn or ribbon for drawstring, plus approx 18" scrap non-felting yarn

**SKP** = Slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over



**Small bag:**
CO 60 sts, divide evenly onto 3 needles. Join to beginning of round, being careful not to twist the work.
Rnds 1-4: K all sts
Rnd 5 (eyelet rnd): *K1, yo, SKP, K1*  Repeat from * to * around.
Rnd 6: *K10, pm, K10* Repeat from * to * around (1 marker in center of each needle)
Rnd 7-18: K all sts
Rnd 19 (decreases): *K to 2 sts before marker, SKP, K to 2 sts before end of needle, SKP*.  Repeat from * to * around (54 sts, 18 per needle)
Rnds 20-21: K all sts
Rnd 22: Repeat as for Rnd 19 (48 sts, 16 per needle)
Rnds 22-23: K all sts
Rnd 24: Repeat as for Rnd 19 (42 sts, 14 per needle)
Rnd 25: K all sts
Rnd 26-29: Repeat as for Rnd 24 and 25 (ending with 30 sts, 10 per needle)
Rnd 30 (ridge for bottom of bag): P all sts
Rnd 31-34: Repeat as for Rnd 19 (ending with 6 sts, 2 per needle).  Remove markers after Rnd 34.
Rnd 35: SKP around – 3 sts.
Break yarn and thread through remaining stitches.  Pull tight, pulling end of yarn to inside of bag.  Weave in ends.
Cut 2 pieces of yarn (or ribbon) 12" long.  Thread through eyelets in top of bag so that the ends of the two pieces are on opposite sides of the bag.  Knot ends of each piece of yarn together.



**Medium Bag:**
CO 80 sts, divide evenly onto 4 needles. Join to beginning of round, being careful not to twist the work.
Rnds 1-4: K all sts
Rnd 5 (eyelet rnd): *K1, yo, SKP, K1*  Repeat from * to * around.
Rnd 6: *K10, pm, K10* Repeat from * to * around (1 marker in center of each needle)
Rnd 7-18: K all sts

Rnd 19 (decreases): *K to 2 sts before marker, SKP, K to 2 sts before end of needle, SKP*.  Repeat from * to * around (72 sts, 18 per needle)
Rnds 20-21: K all sts
Rnd 22: Repeat as for Rnd 19 (64 sts, 16 per needle)
Rnds 22-23: K all sts
Rnd 24: Repeat as for Rnd 19 (56 sts, 14 per needle)
Rnd 25: K all sts
Rnd 26-29: Repeat as for Rnd 24 and 25 (ending with 40 sts, 10 per needle)
Rnd 30 (ridge for bottom of bag): P all sts
Rnd 31-34: Repeat as for Rnd 19 (ending with 8 sts, 2 per needle).  Remove markers after Rnd 34.
Rnd 35: SKP around – 4 sts.
Break yarn and thread through remaining stitches.  Pull tight, pulling end of yarn to inside of bag.  Weave in ends.
Cut 2 pieces of yarn (or ribbon) 18” long.  Thread through eyelets in top of bag so that the ends of the two pieces are on opposite sides of the bag.  Knot ends of each piece of yarn together.



**Large (Felted) Bag:**
CO 160 sts, divide evenly onto 4 needles. Join to beginning of round, being careful not to twist the work.
Rnds 1-8: K all sts
Rnd 9: (eyelet rnd): *K1, yo, SKP, K7*  Repeat from * to * around.
Rnd 10: *(K10, pm) 3 times, K10 * Repeat from * to * around (3 markers on each needle)
Rnd 11-33: K all sts
Rnd 34 (decreases): *(K to 2 sts before marker, SKP) 3 times, K to 2 sts before end of needle, SKP*.  Repeat from * to * around (144 sts, 36 per needle)
Rnds 35-36: K all sts
Rnd 37: Repeat as for Rnd 34 (128 sts, 32 per needle)
Rnds 38-39: K all sts
Rnd 40: Repeat as for Rnd 34 (112 sts, 28 per needle)
Rnd 41: K all sts
Rnd 42-45: Repeat as for Rnd 40 and 41 (ending with 80 sts, 20 per needle)
Rnd 46-49: Repeat as for Rnd 34 (ending with 16 sts, 4 per needle).  Remove markers as needed.
Rnd 50: SKP around – 8 sts.
Rnd 51: SKP around – 4 sts.
Break yarn and thread through remaining stitches.  Pull tight, pulling end of yarn to inside of bag.  Weave in ends.

To felt bag: thread scrap non-felting yarn through eyelets and knot together (This keeps the eyelets from felting closed.  Ask me how I know to do that)  Put bag into pillowcase and run through wash cycle using hot water and lowest water level.  You may need to add a pair or two of jeans for agitation.  When the bag has reached the desired level of felting, remove from the washer (do not let it spin).  Squeeze out water using towels, remove scrap yarn, and stretch bag over appropriate shaped item to dry (an upside-down mixing bowl works well for this).

When bag is dry, cut 2 pieces of yarn (or ribbon) 18-24” long.  Thread through eyelets in top of bag so that the ends of the two pieces are on opposite sides of the bag.  Knot ends of each piece of yarn together.