Small Lace Bag

The stitch pattern for the lace when working in pieces is taken directly from the **Big Book of Knitting Stitch Patterns**, I have converted it for knitting in the round for the knit in the round section.

Since releasing this design, several people have adapted it to be knit in the round. This seemed a great idea to me, as it reduces the amount of finishing, so now the pattern includes both knit flat and in the round instructions.

Abbreviations:
Sl-k-psso *: slip one stitch as if to purl, knit one stitch, pass the slipped stitch over the one you just knit.*
p2togtbl *: purl two stitches together through the back loops*

To knit flat in pieces

Front

Cast on 25 stitches and knit five rows of garter stitch (knitting in both directions)
Knit 3 repeats of the pattern.
Knit 5 rows of garter stitch.
Eyelet Row: k2, yo, ssk, k2, yo, ssk, k2, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k3, k2tog, yo, k2, k2tog, yo, k2
Knit 4 more rows of garter stitch.
Bind off.

Back

Cast on 25 stitches and knit five rows of garter stitch
Knit 24 rows of stocking stitch (knit on the right side, purl on the wrong side)
Knit 5 rows of garter stitch.
Eyelet Row: k2, yo, ssk, k2, yo, ssk, k2, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k3, k2tog, yo, k2, k2tog, yo, k2
Knit 4 more rows of garter stitch

Lace Pattern for knitting flat:

1. p2, k7, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, p1, yo, k1, yo, sl-k-psso, k7, p2
2. k2, p6, p2togtbl, p3, k1, p3, p2tog, p6, k2
3. p2, k5, k2tog, k1, (yo, k1) twice, p1, k1, (yo, k1) twice, sl-k-psso, k5, p2
4. k2, p4, p2togtbl, p5, k1, p5, p2tog, p4, k2
5. p2, k3, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, p1, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, sl-k-psso, k3, p2
6. k2, p2, p2togtbl, p7, k1, p7, p2tog, p2, k2
7. p2, k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, p1, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, sl-k-psso, k1, p2
8. k2, p2togtbl, p9, k1, p9, p2tog, k2

Chart for knitting flat

Row	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Legend:

(blank)	knit on right side, purl on wrong side
−	Purl on right side, knit on wrong side
⅄	Sl-k-psso on right side, p2tog on wrong side
⋏	k2tog on right side, p2tog tbl on wrong side
■	No Stitch

To make up:

Seam bottom and sides of bag.

To knit in the round

for knitting in the round, the first section should read:
Using provisional cast on, cast on 25 stitches
Work in Garter stitch for two rows - i.e. work back and forth for these two rows. You should now have a small garter stitch rectangle
Pick up one stitch between the rows, and then pick up the cast on stitches. pick up one more stitch between the rows and join to work in the round. I'd recommend placing a marker to mark the start of the round, and the half-way point. (52 stitches on the needles)
Continue working in the round from this point onwards
Round 1. purl
Round 2. knit
Round 3. p2tog, p24, p2tog, p24
Round 4. knit

Pattern Section
Knit the pattern between the markers (the first 25 stitches), then knit all stitches for the rest of each round.
Knit 3 repeats of the pattern.

Lace Pattern for knitting in the round:

1. p2, k7, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, p1, yo, k1, yo, sl-k-psso, k7, p2
2. p2, k6, k2tog, k3, p1, k3, sl-k-psso, k6, p2
3. p2, k5, k2tog, k1, (yo, k1) twice, p1, k1, (yo, k1) twice, sl-k-psso, k5, p2
4. p2, k4, k2tog, k5, p1, k5, sl-k-psso, k4, p2
5. p2, k3, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, p1, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, sl-k-psso, k3, p2
6. p2, k2, k2tog, k7, p1, k7, sl-k-psso, k2, p2
7. p2, k1, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, p1, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, sl-k-psso, k1, p2
8. p2, k2tog, k9, p1, k9, sl-k-psso, p2

chart for knitting in the round
note: when knitting in the round, all rounds start on the right of the chart.

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(blank)	knit
−	purl
⋋	Sl-k-psso
⋌	k2tog
■	No Stitch

Top section (1)
Round 1: knit
Round 2: purl
repeat round 1 and 2 once more (four rounds total)

Eyelet row: *k1, yo, ssk, k3, yo, ssk, k2, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k3, k2tog, yo, k3, k2tog, yo, k1* repeat between * once more

Top Section (2)
Round 1: purl
Round 2: knit
repeat rounds 1 and 2 once more each (four rounds total)
Cast off loosely.

Finishing (both methods)
Lightly block the bag to open up the lace.
Thread a length of ribbon through the eyelets in a manner which pleases you.
Pop some cedar balls in to protect your stash!
If you wanted to use lavender instead, I'd recommend lining the bag.