

NICE BUNS™

THANK YOU FOR DINING AT
THE NICE BUNS BUFFET

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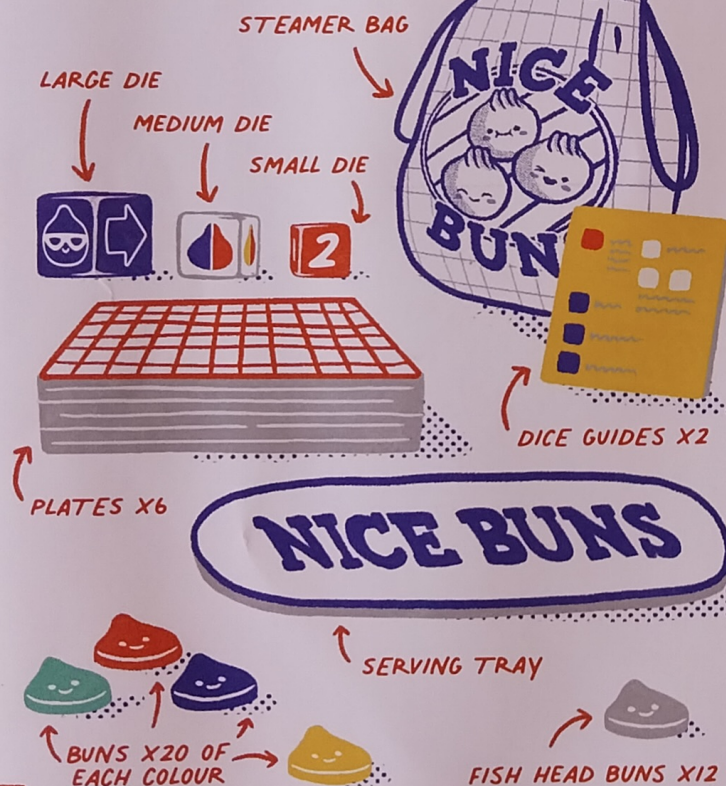


THE GOAL

To be the first customer to fill their plate with **three sets of three Bao Buns** in **three different colours**.



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SETTING UP

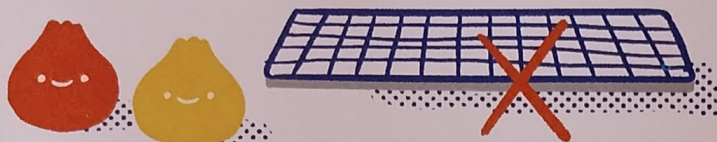
1. Pass each player a plate, then empty all the buns (including the fish head buns) into the steamer bag. Pull it tight, then give it a good shake to shuffle them around.



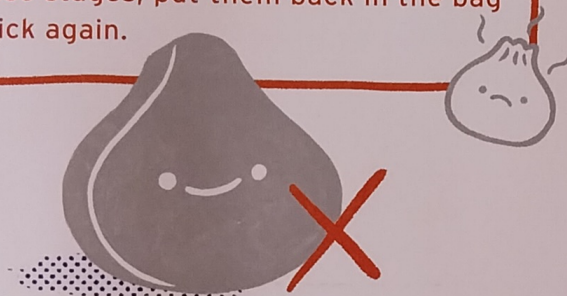
2. Next, take six buns at random from the bag and place them on the serving tray in the middle of the table.



3. Finally, get each player to pick two random (and non-matching) buns from the bag and place them in front of them (not on their plate).

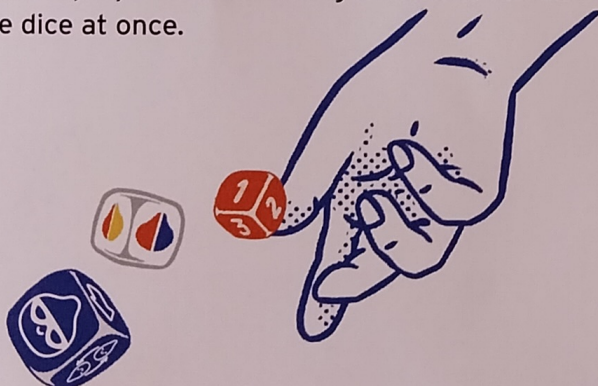


If you pull out a grey fish head bun at either of these stages, put them back in the bag and pick again.



STEP ONE: ROLLING THE DICE

Choose a player to start and get them to roll all three dice at once.



Each of these dice do different things. The small die lets you take buns from the steamer bag, the medium-sized die lets you take buns from the serving tray and the large die lets you do extra-special actions.

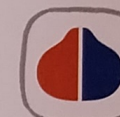
SMALL DIE

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Take this amount of buns from the bag (one at a time) without looking.



Put one of your buns (any colour) back in the bag.



Choose ONE bun of these colours and take it from the serving tray (if available).

LARGE DIE



Give a bun to another player.

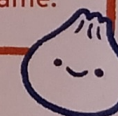


Steal a bun from another player (as long as it's not on their plate).



Swap one of your buns with another player (as long as it's not on their plate). They don't get a choice.

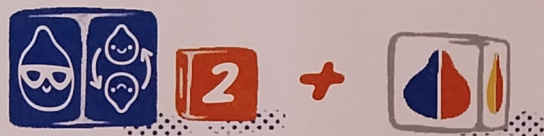
The game contains two 'Dice Guides', which can be shared by players during the game.



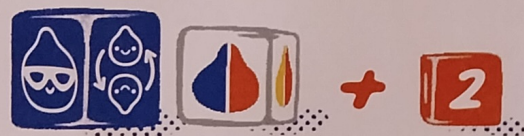
STEP TWO: MAKING A DEAL

In the Nice Buns Buffet, you share everything with your neighbour – including your dice rolls! The player who just rolled must now split their dice into two groups.

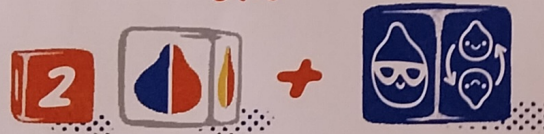
FOR EXAMPLE:



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In some situations, players might want to split their dice into a group of 3 and 0. This is allowed, but it's very rarely useful!



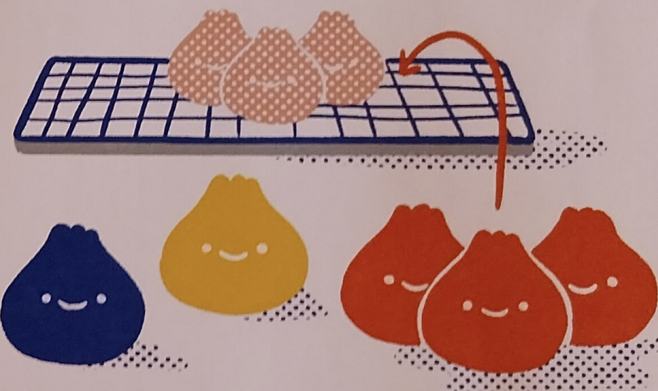
Now, the player on their left must decide which group of dice they want to keep for themselves and which group they'll leave for the player who rolled.

Once they've made their choice, it's time to grab some buns!

STEP THREE: GRABBING SOME BUNS

One by one, carry out the actions on the dice. You must action the smallest die first, followed by the middle one, then finally the large one.

Whenever you collect a new bun, place it in front of you. As soon as you collect a set of three buns of the same colour, you can put them on your plate (as long as you haven't got any fish head buns).



Important! Buns that have been moved onto your plate are now 'safe'. This means they can't be stolen, traded with or given away to the other players.



When all three dice have been actioned, play moves clockwise around the table.

TURN EXAMPLE

Ben rolls his dice and splits them up like this:

GROUP ONE



GROUP TWO



Jill (the player on Ben's left) then chooses which group of dice to take. Jill chooses group 1 and leaves Ben with group 2.

When resolving the dice, always do it in the following order: small → medium → large.

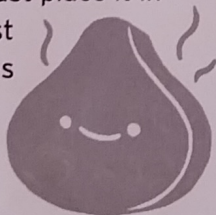
Here's what happens next:

1. Small die: Jill takes two buns from the steamer without looking.
2. Medium die: Ben takes a red or a blue bun from the serving tray.
3. Big die: Jill gives a bun to another player

FISH HEAD BUNS

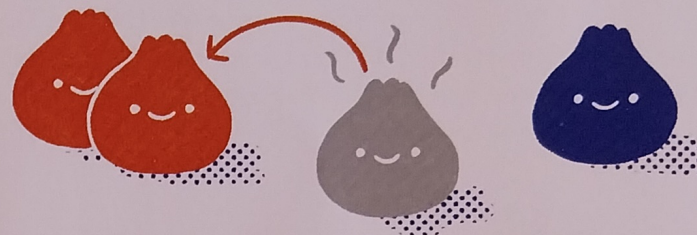
Grey fish head buns are super-smelly and can absolutely ruin the flavour of your other, nicer buns!

If you collect a fish head bun, you must place it in front of you and add it to your largest set of buns (not including the ones already on your plate).



FOR EXAMPLE:

For example, Ben has two red buns and one blue bun, so the fish head bun joins the red set.



However, if he collects another two blue buns, the fish head bun will immediately move over to the blue set instead.

This means you won't be able to move any sets of buns over to your plate until you lose the fish-head bun – so better get rid of it fast!

DON'T BE GREEDY

If you collect a set of four or more buns at any point (with or without a fish head bun), you'll have to throw them all back in the steamer bag.

FOR EXAMPLE:

This player has two blue buns, then picked up a fish head bun, creating a set of three.



If they pick up another blue bun OR another fish head bun, it would create a set of four. If that happens, all four buns would have to go back into the bag.

STOCKING THE SERVING TRAY

The Serving Tray must have six buns on it **at all times**. That means, whenever you take one, you must replace it **straightaway** with a new bun from the Steamer Bag.



Fish head buns aren't allowed on the Serving Tray at any time. So, if you pull one out of the bag, just drop it back in and try again until you pick out a nice one.

WINNING

Once a player manages to collect three different sets of matching bao buns on their plate, they've won the game!



IMPORTANT BITS

SMALL DIE

You must take the buns out of the bag one by one. This makes it more fun for the other players to watch.

MEDIUM DIE

If only one of the colours shown is available, you must take that one. If neither are available, you get nothing.

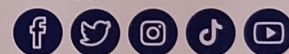
NO DOUBLES

You can't collect more than one set of each colour. For example, if you've already got three red buns on your plate and collect another set of three red buns, the second set goes straight back into the bag.

FISH HEAD BUNS

The fish head bun always attaches itself to your largest set of buns. So, if you've got a fish head bun in front of you, it means you won't be able to move any buns onto your plate until you've gotten rid of it.

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